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Curriculum, Instruction, and School Improvement

**SUBJECT:       REQUEST SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL OF THE FIRST  
                  AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACTUAL  
                  AGREEMENT WITH EXCELSIOR ACADEMY OF MIAMI, INC., ON  
                  BEHALF OF EXCELSIOR ACADEMY OF MIAMI**

**COMMITTEE:    INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Section 1002.33(7), Florida Statutes, Charter Schools, states that a charter school contractual agreement may be modified during its initial term or any renewal term upon the recommendation of the sponsor and the approval of both parties to the agreement.

The initial charter school contractual agreement for Excelsior Academy of Miami was approved by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, on April 13, 2005, for a term of five years, commencing with the 2005-2006 school year.

Excelsior Academy of Miami will be located at 50 NE 119 Street, Miami, Florida 33161, and will serve a maximum of 450 students in grades kindergarten through five in its first year of operation. The governing board will operate the school.

Excelsior Academy of Miami has requested a first amendment to defer the opening of the school for a period of up to three years, that is, no later than the 2008-2009 school year.

The Charter School Contract Review Committee (CRC) met on May 26, 2005, and by a majority vote, made a recommendation for approval of the first amendment to the charter school contractual agreement with Excelsior Academy of Miami, Inc., on behalf of Excelsior Academy of Miami.

Copies of the amendment to the charter school contractual agreement will be transmitted to School Board Members under separate cover and are available for inspection by the public in the Office of Board Recording Secretary, Room 924, and in the Citizen Information Center, Room 158, 1450 NE Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132.

**RECOMMENDED:**   That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, grant approval of the first amendment to the charter school contractual agreement with Excelsior Academy of Miami, Inc., on behalf of Excelsior Academy of Miami, to defer the opening of the school for up to three years until the 2008-2009 school year.