

Ms. Evelyn Langlieb Greer, Member

**SUBJECT:            PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF SCHOOL BOARD RULE: INITIAL  
READING 6Gx13- 3C-1.17, PAYMENT FOR GOODS AND  
SERVICES**

**COMMITTEE:        INNOVATION,        EFFICIENCY        AND        GOVERNMENTAL  
RELATIONS**

This item is submitted for consideration by the Board to enable School Board Members to redirect all or part of such Board Member's salary to schools and activities that benefit the School District. It is in the best interests of the School District to permit School Board Members to redirect their salaries to expenditures that include, without limitation, programs, incentives, grants, and other expenditures that advance the goals of the School District.

Attached are the Notice of intended Action and the rules proposed for amendment. Changes from the current rules are indicated by underscoring words to be added and striking through words to be deleted.

Authorization of the Board is requested for the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceeding in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act for the amendment of School Board Rule 6Gx13- 3C-1.17, Payment For Goods And Services.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY**

**EVELYN LANGLIEB GREER:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida authorize the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to amend School Board Rule 6Gx13- 3C-1.17, Payment For Goods And Services.

## NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI\_DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, announced on September 7, 2005, its intention to amend School Board Rule 6Gx13-3C-1.17, Payment For Goods And Services, at its meeting of October 19, 2005.

**PURPOSE AND EFFECT:** The revision to the Board Rule on Payment For Goods And Services, 6Gx13-3C-1.17, is recommended to enable School Board Members to redirect all or part of such Board Member's salary to schools and activities that benefit the School District.

**SUMMARY:** Establishes a specific criteria to permit School Board Members to redirect their salaries to expenditures that include without limitation, programs, incentives, grants, and other expenditures that advance the goals and are in the best interests of the School District.

**SPECIFIC LEGAL AUTHORITY UNDER WHICH RULEMAKING IS AUTHORIZED:** 1001.41(1)(2); 1001.42(22); 1001.43(10) F.S.

**LAW IMPLEMENTED, INTERPRETED, OR MADE SPECIFIC:** 1002.38; 1002.39; 1006.07 F.S.

IF REQUESTED, A HEARING WILL BE HELD DURING THE BOARD MEETING OF October 19, 2005, which begins at 1:00 p.m., in the School Board Auditorium, 1450 N.E. Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132. Persons requesting such a hearing or who wish to provide information regarding the statement of estimated regulatory costs, or to provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative as provided by Section 120.541(1), F.S., must do so in writing by October 3, 2005, to the Superintendent of Schools, Room 912, at the same address.

ANY PERSON WHO DECIDES TO APPEAL THE DECISION made by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, with respect to this action will need to ensure the preparation of a verbatim record of the proceedings, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. (Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes)

A COPY OF THE PROPOSED AMENDED RULE is available to the public for inspection and copying at cost in the Citizen Information Center, Room 158, 1450 N.E. Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132.

Originator: Ms. Evelyn Langlieb Greer  
Date: August 30, 2005

**Non-salaried Expenditures****PAYMENT FOR GOODS AND SERVICES**

Authorization power resides in the Board, according to State law. Procedures are also specified in the law. The Superintendent of Schools is directed to set up such procedural arrangements as will satisfy the legal requirements and pay obligations on a current and timely basis. To carry out this directive, the Superintendent of Schools is authorized to set up procedures to pay obligations that have been properly incurred under the laws, policies and regulations governing purchases and transactions upon proper documentation and review. Such payments will be approved by the Board as provided by Statute.

Although not all inclusive, the following is a listing of expenditures that cannot be paid with district general funds:

- ▶ Beautification and decoration accessories
- ▶ Bottled water (unless properly authorized)
- ▶ Coffee, coffee makers, cups, etc.
- ▶ Equipment for personal use (i.e., microwave/refrigerators)
- ▶ Food for meetings, awards, hospitality, and special observances
- ▶ Individual membership in professional organizations, unless the Superintendent deems such membership to be in the best interest of the school system
- ▶ Taxes, late penalties/fees

However, in instances where a Board Member has donated his or her salary to the School District, a Board Member may redirect all or part of such Board Member's salary for any purpose that is in the best interests of the School District, including, without limitation, redirecting such salary for sponsoring programs in schools, providing awards and incentive grants to schools, sponsoring parent and community outreach efforts by schools, providing grants to schools for physical improvements, cooperating with community organizations to provide funding to schools and sponsoring programs for parents.

Specific Authority: 230.22(2), F.S.

Law Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: 230.23(10)(g), F.S.

**History: THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Repromulgated: 12-11-74

Amended: 2-18-98