

Ms. Ana Rivas Logan, Board Member

SUBJECT: WIRELESS INITIATIVE

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN: STRENGTHEN BUSINESS AND OTHER COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS FOR ASSISTANCE IN IMPLEMENTING STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

At the January 17, 2007 School Board Meeting, Mr. Matthew L. Leibowitz, Attorney at Law expressed the urgency in proceeding with the conversion of the Educational Broadcast System from analog to digital.

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida has the responsibility of proceeding with the analog to digital conversion. Based on the compact agreement with Miami-Dade County and the urgency of this matter as stated by Mr. Leibowitz, this board item requests that the administration of Miami-Dade County Public Schools work with the Office of the Mayor of Miami-Dade County to determine alternatives that benefit the children of Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the people of Miami-Dade County.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
MS. ANA RIVAS LOGAN:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida authorize the administration to work with the Office of the Mayor of Miami-Dade County on the Wireless Miami-Dade Initiative. Miami-Dade County Public Schools and Miami-Dade County will bring forward a joint status report at the April 18, 2007 School Board meeting and a final report at the May 16, 2007 School Board meeting on how to best utilize the spectrum of the Educational Broadcast System for both the children and the people of this county. The final joint report will include:

1. Alternatives and recommendations;
2. Portfolio of applications of Miami-Dade County and Miami-Dade County Public Schools;
3. Wireless Miami-Dade Business Model with a revenue flow;
4. Technology requirements with analog to digital conversion;
5. Band width capacity estimates; and
6. Financial model.

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