

Dr. Martin Karp, Vice-Chair

SUBJECT: REQUEST THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, DIRECT THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ESTABLISH A PLAN FOR INFORMING EDUCATORS AND EXTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS OF THE IMPACT OF PROPERTY TAX REFORM AND MAJOR LEGISLATIVE ISSUES IMPACTING THE DISTRICT

COMMITTEE: INNOVATION, EFFICIENCY AND GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

LINK TO DISTRICT

STRATEGIC PLAN: ACTIVELY ENGAGE FAMILY AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO BECOME OUR PARTNERS IN RAISING AND MAINTAINING HIGH STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

External stakeholders must be made aware of issues that could dramatically impact the District and will impact our District Strategic Plan. Such items may include education funding that will impact the quality of educational services the District can offer. Our stakeholders deserve and are entitled to know every possible outcome from property tax reform.

The Board is expected to be proactive and given the magnitude of the cuts to education funding, the Board must immediately provide the community with specific information on how such cuts will affect everything from construction to teacher salaries to offering sports, arts and music programs to bus transportation.

The District should hold meetings with PTSA units, unions, and the Greater Florida Schools Boards Consortium to create a plan to inform all interested stakeholders regarding legislative issues and use our established methods of communication including phone calls, town hall meetings and e-mails.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
DR. MARTIN KARP:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

1. Direct the Superintendent to establish a plan for informing educators and external stakeholders of the impact of property tax reform; and,
2. Direct the Superintendent to work with other major stakeholder groups so the community is informed and aware of available options.