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**SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD FROM BAYVIEW FOUNDATION TO FUND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ADVANCEMENT VIA INDIVIDUAL DETERMINATION (AVID) FOR THE 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

**LINK TO DISTRICT**

**STRATEGIC PLAN: IMPROVE RETURN ON INVESTMENT OF GRANT DOLLARS**

Authorization is requested to accept a grant award in the approximate amount of \$176,575, from the Bayview Foundation to support the implementation of the Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) program in 19 schools from July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008. AVID, a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization, prepares students in fourth through twelfth grades for four-year college eligibility. The program targets low-income students who are capable of completing a college-prep curriculum but are falling short of their potential. The core component is the AVID elective, which supports students as they tackle the most rigorous classes. The teaching strategies, curriculum, and trainings can be used as an elective and in subject area classes.

The program will be implemented in selected elementary and secondary schools in the Booker T. Washington, Northwestern, and North Miami senior high feeder patterns. The program will also be implemented at Miami Beach Senior High School.

Details of this agenda item will be forthcoming.