TO:

The Honorable Chair, and Members of The School Board of Miami-Dade

County, Florida

FROM:

Rudolph F. Crew, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT:

WITHDRAWAL OF AGENDA ITEM E-67, REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)# 065-GG10, DISTRICT HEALTHCARE BENEFIT PROGRAM AND EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PROGRAM FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2008

BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 20, 2007

The attached agenda item is being withdrawn from the November 20, 2007 agenda and will be brought back to a future Board meeting.

There are a number of items which are pending which need to be finalized prior to this item being presented to the Board for action.

Please contact Ms. Ofelia San Pedro, Deputy Superintendent. Business Operations, at (305) 995-1225, or Dr. Grace L. Ali, Chief Financial Officer, Financial Operations, at 305-995-2562 should you have any questions.

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Attachment

CC:

Superintendent's Cabinet School Board Attorney Mr. Scott B. Clark Office of Superintendent of Schools Board Meeting of November 20, 2007

Business Operations Ofelia San Pedro, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT:

REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD REQUEST

FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)# 065-GG10, DISTRICT HEALTHCARE BENEFIT PROGRAM AND EMPLOYEE

BENEFIT PROGRAM FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2008

COMMITTEE:

INNOVATION, EFFICIENCY & GOVERNMENTAL

RELATIONS

LINK TO DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN:

IMPROVE FINANCIAL SERVICES

At the Board meeting of May 16, 2007, authorization was received to release RFP# 065-GG10, District Healthcare Benefit Program to seek competitive proposals for the district's healthcare program to become effective January 1, 2008 for a three year term, with the ability to extend the contract period for two additional one-year renewals. At the regular bid opening of June 19, 2007, proposals were received from the following carriers with the stated financial platforms, which includes three fully insured proposals and four self insured proposals:

Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Florida - Self Insured CIGNA - Self Insured Humana - Self Insured and Fully Insured UnitedHealthcare - Self Insured and Fully Insured Vista - Fully Insured

At the Board meeting of May 16, 2007, the Board also approved the structure of the Superintendent's Ad-Hoc Insurance Committee which was convened pursuant to the provisions of School Board Rule 6Gx13- <u>3F-1.022</u>, Professional Service Contracts for Insurance or Risk Management Programs – Policy. The Ad-Hoc Committee met on four occasions to review the received proposals and ask questions of the proposers.

Staff is currently in the midst of collective bargaining health insurance with each of the unions which represent district employees. As bargaining progresses, it is anticipated that a completed agenda item will be available prior to the Board meeting.

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