

Ms. Ana Rivas Logan, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REVIEW AND UPDATE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS'  
BOARD RULE(S) PERTAINING TO CONTRACTS**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY  
ENGAGEMENT**

**LINK TO DISTRICT  
STRATEGIC PLAN: EVALUATE AND REDESIGN INTERNAL BUSINESS  
OPERATIONS**

Citizens often do not understand how government decisions are made. Good government allows as much citizen input and transparency as possible. Lack of transparency prevents the public from actively participating in government and from raising questions or protesting unfair or ill-advised decisions. A lack of transparency can conceal official misconduct or favoritism.

Having a clear process where all contracts over \$25,000 or continuation of contracts over \$25,000 come before the Board for approval will create a system of checks and balances. Citizens will be able to have input on said contracts and the School Board will be conducting business in an open and transparent manner.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY**

**MS. ANA RIVAS LOGAN:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, direct the Superintendent of Schools to update all Board rules that currently allow contracts or the continuation of contracts to be negotiated without Board approval. Said contracts should come for Board approval once they reach the \$25,000 threshold.