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SUBJECT: REQUEST SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL OF THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA, ON BEHALF OF AVENTURA CITY OF EXCELLENCE SCHOOL

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN: GENERAL OPERATIONS

Section 1002.33(7), Florida Statutes, Charter Schools, stipulates that a charter school contractual agreement may be modified during its initial term or any renewal term upon the recommendation of the sponsor and the approval of both parties to the agreement.

The initial charter school contractual agreement for The City of Aventura, Florida, on behalf of Aventura City of Excellence School (ACES) was approved by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida (The School Board), on April 17, 2002, for a term of fifteen years, commencing with the 2003-2004 school year. Subsequent actions were granted by The School Board to change the charter school's name, increase the grade levels, and increase the enrollment capacity.

ACES is currently located at 3333 NE 188 Street, Aventura, Florida, 33180, and serves approximately 896 students in kindergarten through grade eight. ACES has requested a second amendment to increase the enrollment capacity to a maximum of 972 students, commencing with the 2009-2010 school year and throughout the term of the contract which ends on June 30, 2018. Construction of the additional student stations will occur during the 2008-2009 school year.

ACES is eligible to be graded under Florida's System of School Improvement and Accountability. Its academic performance is as follows:

School Year	School Grade	AYP
2006-2007	A	Yes
2005-2006	A	Yes
2004-2005	A	Yes
2003-2004	B	Yes

ACES' audited financial statements revealed no inaccuracies, shortages, defalcations, fraud and/or violations of laws, rules, regulations and contractual provisions.

On April 9, 2008, the Contract Review Committee met, and by a unanimous vote, made a recommendation for approval of the second amendment to the charter school contractual agreement with The City of Aventura, Florida, on behalf of Aventura City of Excellence School.

Copies of the amendment to charter school contractual agreement will be transmitted to the School Board Members under separate cover and will be available for inspection by the public in the Office of Board Recording Secretary, Room 924, and in the Citizen Information Center, Room 158, 1450 NE Second Avenue, Miami, Florida, 33132.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the second amendment to the contract with The City of Aventura, Florida, on behalf of Aventura City of Excellence School to increase the enrollment capacity to a maximum of 972 students, commencing with the 2009-2010 and ending June 30, 2018.

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