Office of School Board Members Board Meeting of March 25, 2009

Dr. Marta Pérez, Vice Chair

SUBJECT:

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO DISTRICT

STRATEGIC

IMPROVE TRANSPARENCY OF DECISION-MAKING THROUGHOUT

PLAN:

THE DISTRICT

The Office of the Inspector General (OIG) issued a report on February 23, 2009. In his conclusions and recommendations, the OIG indicated that ". . . the School Board and MDCPS have not promulgated any policies or procedures prescribing the extent of due diligence required to identify possible conflicts of interest."

In order to follow the OIG's recommendation, this item proposes that clear language be included in School Board Rule 6Gx13- 8A-1.041, Conflict of Interest, and any other applicable School Board Rule, that sets forth the extent of due diligence. The OIG is requested to provide input on workable solutions to be incorporated into our board rule(s).

ACTION PROPOSED BY DR. MARTA PÉREZ:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, direct the OIG to provide workable solutions to the district that address the recommendations in the report dated February 23, 2009 for instituting a due diligence process.

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