


MEMORANDUM

February 15, 2012

TO: The Honorable Chair and Members of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida

FROM: Alberto M. Carvalho, Superintendent of Schools 

SUBJECT: **PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF SCHOOL BOARD POLICIES: INITIAL READING: POLICY 9140, *CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEES*, POLICY 6840, *AUDIT & BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE*, POLICY 9142, *DIVERSITY EQUITY & EXCELLENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE***

At the request of Mr. Walter J. Harvey, School Board Attorney, the attached Agenda Item G-3 is being withdrawn from the February 15, 2012 Agenda for further consideration.

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Attachment

Cc: School Board Attorney
Superintendent's Cabinet

Office of the Superintendent
Board Meeting of February 15, 2012

February 1, 2012

Office of School Board Attorney
Walter J. Harvey, School Board Attorney

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COMMITTEE: SCHOOL SUPPORT ACCOUNTABILITY

LINK TO STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK: SCHOOL/DISTRICT LEADERSHIP

Pursuant to Agenda Item H-7 ("PTA/PTSA Appointments to Advisory Committees"), presented by Board Member Carlos L. Curbelo, at the December 14, 2011, Board meeting, the Board authorized rulemaking to amend Board policies to allow the Miami-Dade County PTA/PTSA to appoint a member and alternate who have a child currently enrolled in Miami-Dade County Public Schools to School Board Advisory Committees established in Board policy that have a member appointed by each School Board Member and the Superintendent and any other committee as deemed appropriate by the Board. Several of the affected committees such as the Attendance Boundary Committee, Wellness Committee, and the Student Services Advisory Committee already allow the PTA/PTSA to appoint a member. Policy 6460.01, *Business Development and Assistance Program*, which establishes the Minority Business Enterprise Advisory Committee, is in the process of being revised and will include the PTA/PTSA appointment requirement. In the meantime, that Committee will comply with this provision if approved. This item requests that the Board consider amending School Board Policy 9140, *Citizen Advisory Committees*, Policy 6840, *Audit & Budget Advisory Committee*, and Policy 9142, *Diversity Equity and Excellence Advisory Committee*, to add a requirement to allow the Miami-Dade County PTA/PTSA to appoint a member and alternate to School Board Advisory Committees.

In addition, pursuant to Agenda Item H-8 ("Prohibiting Lobbyists from Serving on Advisory Committees"), also presented by Board Member Carlos L. Curbelo at the December 14, 2011, Board Meeting, the Board authorized rulemaking to amend Board policy to prohibit lobbyists from serving on School Board Advisory Committees that may impact their client's interest. This item requests that the Board consider amending School Board Policy 9140, *Citizen Advisory Committees*, to prohibit lobbyists from serving on any advisory committee whose recommendations could impact any client interest for which the lobbyist was retained.

Attached are the Notices of Intended Action and the proposed amendments. Changes from the current Policies are indicated by underscoring words to be added and to be deleted.

WITHDRAWN – 2/15/2012

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Authorization of the Board is requested for the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act to amend School Board Policy 9140, *Citizen Advisory Committees*, Policy 6840, *Audit & Budget Advisory Committee*, and Policy 9142, *Diversity Equity and Excellence Advisory Committee*.

RECOMMENDED:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida direct the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act to amend School Board Policy 9140, *Citizen Advisory Committees*, Policy 6840, *Audit & Budget Advisory Committee*, and Policy 9142, *Diversity, Equity and Excellence Advisory Committee*, to allow the Miami-Dade County PTA/PTSA to appoint a member and alternate to School Board Advisory Committees and to prohibit lobbyists from serving on any advisory committee that may impact their clients' interests.