

Ms. Lubby Navarro, Board Member

Co-Sponsors:	Dr. Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, Board Member	}	Added
	Ms. Susie Castillo, Board Member		
	Ms. Maria Teresa Rojas, Board Member		

SUBJECT: BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

COMMITTEE: INNOVATION, GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO STRATEGIC BLUEPRINT: INFORMED, ENGAGED & EMPOWERED STAKEHOLDERS

At the School Board meeting of December 14, 2016, the Board approved Agenda Item H-8, Revised² (“Board Member Items”), which established a six (6) month pilot program providing that all School Board Member action items and/ or Resolutions seeking a call to action be reviewed and approved by the School Board Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency, prior to presentation of these items at the appropriate School Board Committee meetings. Item H-8 also mandated that if the pilot program - upon completion - was deemed successful, to direct the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to formalize the practice.

On June 7, 2017, the School Board Attorney issued a memorandum indicating the number of School Board member items that were voluntarily submitted to his office for review as to form and legal sufficiency during the duration of the 6 month pilot program. In his report, the School Board Attorney concluded that the pilot program had over sixty percent (60%) participation. As the pilot is scheduled to expire at the end of the month of June, this item is submitted for the Board’s consideration to formalize this practice in School Board policy and authorize the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings to amend the relevant Board policies to provide for the review of School Board member items by the School Board Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

This item has been reviewed and approved by the School Board Attorney’s office as to form and legal sufficiency.

ACTION PROPOSED BY LUBBY NAVARRO:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida authorize the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, to formalize the review and approval by the School Board Attorney, as to form and legal sufficiency, of all School Board member action items and/or Resolutions seeking a call to action, prior to presentation of these items at the appropriate School Board Committee meetings.