SUBJECT: GIRL TO GIRL MENTORING INITIATIVE – EXPLORE THE WOMEN’S SUMMIT

COMMITTEE: FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY & GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

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At the January 16, 2019 School Board Meeting, the School Board of Miami-Dade County unanimously approved Agenda item H-4 ("Girl to Girl Mentoring Initiative"), supporting the establishment of a girl to girl mentoring initiative. The proposed initiative, designed to assist in the successful development of young girls in Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS), would encompass identifying and establishing partnerships with women organizations in our community that are able to mentor young girls. As part of this initiative, convening a Girl to Girl Mentoring Initiative Summit, as an initial event, would serve to inform women organizations about the initiative and to promote potential collaborations with M-DCPS. Additionally, may provide an opportunity to identify young girls within M-DCPS to speak on the impacts of mentoring in their lives.

In order to begin identifying women organizations, potential mentors and young girls in our community, essential to the success of the initiative, this item seeks that the School Board of Miami-Dade County request the Superintendent to explore the feasibility of hosting a Women’s Summit designed to raise awareness of the need for female mentors, create partnerships, and identify a framework for a girl to girl initiatives in late spring or early summer of 2019, if feasible and practicable.

This Item has been reviewed and approved by the School Board Attorneys’ Office as to form and legal sufficiency.
ACTION PROPOSED BY
LUBBY NAVARRO: That the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

1) request the Superintendent to explore the feasibility of hosting a Women’s Summit designed to raise awareness of the need for female mentors, create partnerships, and identify a framework for a girl to girl initiative and report to the Board by April 2019; and

2) support hosting a Women’s summit to take place in late spring or early summer of 2019, if feasible and practicable.

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