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Office of Human Capital Management

- SUBJECT:
- 1) RECOMMENDED ACCEPTANCE OF AGREED UPON DISCIPLINARY ACTION
 - 2) RECOMMENDED ACCEPTANCE OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION PENDING APPEAL

LINK TO STRATEGIC BLUEPRINT: **HIGHLY EFFECTIVE TEACHERS, LEADERS AND STAFF**

This item seeks the Board's approval for employee disciplinary actions that are 1) agreed upon by the employee and 2) pending the outcome of an administrative hearing or grievance/arbitration proceeding, if requested. The employees listed herein were provided written notice of the recommended disciplinary action in their respective cases.

- RECOMMENDED:**
- 1) That the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the Superintendent's recommendation for disciplinary action, which has been agreed to by the employees.
 - A) Reina Benitez: suspension without pay from her position as School Bus Driver at Northeast Transportation Center, for five (5) calendar days, effective December 10, 2020, for just cause, including, but not limited to: violation of School Board Policies 4210, Standards of Ethical Conduct; 4210.01, Code of Ethics; and 4380, Threatening Behavior Toward Staff Members. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 1001.32(2), 1012.22(1)(f), and 447.209, Florida Statutes; and Articles II and XI of the Contract between the Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME).

- B) Jean F. Conte: suspension without pay from his position as Custodian at Booker T. Washington Senior High School, for fifteen (15) calendar days, effective December 10, 2020, for just cause, including, but not limited to: excessive absences; and violation of School Board Policies 4210, Standards of Ethical Conduct; 4210.01, Code of Ethics; and 4430, Leaves of Absence. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 1001.32(2), 1012.22(1)(f), 1012.67, and 447.209, Florida Statutes; and Articles II and XI of the Contract between the Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME).
- C) Claudia G. Gonzalez: suspension without pay from her position as Food Service Manager I at Broadmoor Elementary School, for three (3) calendar days, effective December 10, 2020, for just cause, including, but not limited to: violation of School Board Policies 4210, Standards of Ethical Conduct; and 4210.01, Code of Ethics. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 1001.32(2), 1012.22(1)(f), and 447.209, Florida Statutes; and Articles II and XI of the Contract between the Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME).
- D) Johnnie C. Jefferson: suspension without pay from his position as Custodian at Miami Heights Elementary School, for five (5) calendar days, effective December 10, 2020, for just cause, including, but not limited to: excessive absences; gross insubordination; and violation of School Board Policies 4210, Standards of Ethical Conduct; 4210.01, Code of Ethics; and 4430, Leaves of Absence. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 1001.32(2), 1012.22(1)(f), 1012.67, and 447.209, Florida Statutes; and Articles II and XI of the Contract between the Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME).
- E) Winston G. Lee: suspension without pay from his position as Teacher at Medical Academy for Science and Technology @ Homestead, for thirty (30) workdays, effective December 10, 2020, for just cause, including, but not limited to: misconduct in office; insubordination; and violation of School Board Policies 3210, Standards of Ethical Conduct; and 3210.01, Code of Ethics. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 1001.32(2), 1012.22(1)(f), 1012.33, and 447.209, Florida Statutes; and State Board Rules 6A-5.056 and 6A-10.081, FAC.

- 2) That the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the Superintendent's recommendation for disciplinary action, pending the outcome of an administrative hearing or grievance/arbitration proceeding, if requested.
- A) Shawanna L. Aaron: suspension without pay and initiation of dismissal proceedings from her position as School Bus Driver at Southwest Transportation Center, effective December 10, 2020, for just cause, including, but not limited to: violation of School Board Policies 4121.01, Employment Standards and Fingerprinting of All Employees; 4210, Standards of Ethical Conduct; and 4210.01, Code of Ethics. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 1001.32(2), 1012.22(1)(f), 1012.32, 1012.40, 435.04, 435.06, and 447.209, Florida Statutes; and Articles II and XI of the Contract between the Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME).
 - B) Sandra D. Carithers: suspension without pay from her position as Teacher at Robert Morgan Educational Center, for ten (10) workdays, effective December 21, 2020, for just cause, including, but not limited to: misconduct in office; and violation of School Board Policies 3210, Standards of Ethical Conduct; and 3210.01, Code of Ethics. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 1001.32(2), 1012.22(1)(f), 1012.33, and 447.209, Florida Statutes; and State Board Rules 6A-5.056 and 6A-10.081, FAC.
 - C) Samuel Dean: suspension without pay from his position as School Security Monitor at Hialeah Middle School, for ten (10) workdays, effective December 10, 2020, for just cause, including, but not limited to: violation of School Board Policies 4210, Standards of Ethical Conduct; and 4210.01, Code of Ethics. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 1001.32(2), 1012.22(1)(f), and 447.209, Florida Statutes.
 - D) Jose W. Fleites: suspension without pay and initiation of dismissal proceedings from his position as Electrician II at Maintenance Service Center 4, effective December 10, 2020, for just cause, including, but not limited to: violation of School Board Policies 4210, Standards of Ethical Conduct; 4210.01, Code of Ethics; and 8700, Anti-Fraud. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 1001.32(2), 1012.22(1)(f), 1012.40, and 447.209, Florida Statutes; and Articles IV and XI, Section 4 of the Contract between the Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the Dade County Schools Maintenance Employee Committee (DCSMEC).
 - E) Chermona L. Francois-Smith: suspension without pay from her position as Teacher at Linda Lentin K-8 Center, for fifteen (15) workdays, effective December 10, 2020, for just cause, including, but not limited to: misconduct in office; and violation of School Board Policies 3210, Standards of Ethical Conduct; 3210.01, Code of Ethics; and 3213, Student Supervision and Welfare. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 1001.32(2), 1012.22(1)(f), 1012.33, and 447.209, Florida Statutes; and State Board Rules 6A-5.056 and 6A-10.081, FAC.

- F) Phyllis G. Kirkland: suspension without pay from her position as Teacher at John F. Kennedy Middle School, for five (5) workdays, effective December 10, 2020, for just cause, including, but not limited to: misconduct in office; gross insubordination; and violation of School Board Policies 3210, Standards of Ethical Conduct; and 3210.01, Code of Ethics. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 1001.32(2), 1012.22(1)(f), 1012.33, and 447.209, Florida Statutes; and State Board Rules 6A-5.056 and 6A-10.081, FAC.
- G) Tracy M. Moore: suspension without pay and initiation of dismissal proceedings from her position as Sergeant at Miami-Dade Schools Police Department, effective December 10, 2020, for just cause, } REVISSED including, but not limited to: conduct unbecoming an officer; violation of Miami-Dade Schools Police Department (M-DSPD) Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) 1.02, Authority; and 12.01, Conduct and Disciplinary Process; and School Board Policies 4121.01, Employment Standards and Fingerprinting of All Employees; 4210, Standards of Ethical Conduct; and 4210.01, Code of Ethics. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 1001.32(2), 1012.22(1)(f), and 447.209, Florida Statutes.
- H) Alejandro Moras: suspension without pay from his position as School Bus Driver at Southwest Transportation Center, for thirty (30) calendar days, effective December 10, 2020, for just cause, including, but not limited to: violation of School Board Policies 4210, Standards of Ethical Conduct; 4210.01, Code of Ethics; 4213, Student Supervision and Welfare; 8600, Transportation; and 8670, Post Trip Inspections of School Buses. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 1001.32(2), 1012.22(1)(f), and 447.209, Florida Statutes; and Articles II and XI of the Contract between the Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME).
- I) Nicole S. Reid: suspension without pay from her position as Teacher at North County K-8 Center, for ten (10) workdays, effective December 10, 2020, for just cause, including, but not limited to: misconduct in office; and violation of School Board Policies 3210, Standards of Ethical Conduct; 3210.01, Code of Ethics; and 3213, Student Supervision and Welfare. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 1001.32(2), 1012.22(1)(f), 1012.33, and 447.209, Florida Statutes; and State Board Rules 6A-5.056 and 6A-10.081, FAC.