Office of Superintendent of Schools Board Meeting of December 13, 2000

Roger C. Cuevas, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: 2001 STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PROGRAMS

The 2001 State and Federal Legislative Programs were compiled from responses and recommendations forwarded to the Office of Legislative and Labor Relations by School Board Members, the Superintendent and staff, interested citizen groups and community agencies, and employee organizations.

The workpapers form the nucleus of the School Board's 2001 Legislative Programs. The December 13, 2000 final adoption date will enable staff to move ahead in securing legislative sponsors, if necessary, for the proposed bills so they may be filed and presented at legislative committee meetings.

The Board's Legislative Committee met on Monday, December 4, 2000 and considered the draft recommendations. The following additional recommendations were made to the 2001 State Legislative Program:

ISSUE	SPONSOR(S)	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
Funding for school nurses	Mrs. Morse	Add to the State Legislative Program under *other funding" – Additional Issues.
Require Charter Schools to submit audit reports in a standard format	Dr. Krop	Handle administratively through Mr. George Balsa, Chief Auditor, Office of Management and Compliance Audits and the Auditor General's Office.
Require Charter Schools that close and have received state funding to reimburse the districts for property received	Mrs. Morse	Add to the State Legislative Program under "Business Management" - Additional Issues.
Funding for closing campuses for lunch	Mr. Pérez	Handle administratively – Local Issue.

No modifications/additions/deletions were made to the Federal Legislative Program.

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It is anticipated that the Board may be asked to consider additional recommendations which may be amended into the program prior to the opening of and during the 2001 Legislative Session which ends May 4, 2001.

The recommended legislation falls into the following major sections:

PRIORITIES:

- Funding of Educational Programs
- Capital Outlay
- Safe Schools
- School Readiness
- Workforce Development
- Teacher Quality

OTHER ISSUES OF CONCERN:

- Additional Educational Issues
- Additional Funding
- Facilities Management
- Additional Safety Concerns
- Business Management

As a result of staff instructions received during the Board's December 4, 2000 Legislative Committee meeting, additional recommendations will be forwarded to the Board prior to the December 13, 2000 meeting.

Copies of the 2001 State and Federal Legislative Programs will be transmitted to the Board Members under separate cover and will be placed on file in the Citizen Information Center and the Office of the Board Recording Secretary.

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida: 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. adopt its 2001 State and Federal Legislative Programs as amended; 6. continue to participate in the South Florida Consortium of School Boards and select a member to serve as the Board's representative; and

continue to participate in the Citizen's Coalition for Public

Schools and select a member to serve as the Board's

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