

Office of Superintendent of Schools  
Board Meeting of August 22, 2001

August 10, 2001

Office of School Board Attorney  
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**SUBJECT: THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA v. ANGELA Y. BUSSEY - DOAH CASE NO.: 01-1678**

On April 18, 2001, The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, suspended school bus driver Angela Y. Bussey from her employment with The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and initiated dismissal proceedings against her for failing to conduct a post-trip bus inspection which resulted in a student being left unattended in a bus compound. The employee requested a hearing and this matter was referred to the Division of Administrative Hearings.

The parties have reached a settlement agreement pending School Board approval. Under the terms of the Settlement Agreement, forwarded to School Board members under separate cover, a thirty-day suspension without pay will be imposed upon the employee. This office recommends that the Settlement Agreement be accepted in its entirety. Administration concurs with this recommendation. Acceptance and approval of the Settlement Agreement will obviate the need of further litigation by the School Board.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida approve the Settlement Agreement in the case of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida v. Angela Y. Bussey, DOAH Case No. 01-1678, imposing a thirty-day suspension without pay upon Angela Y. Bussey.

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