

Merrett R. Stierheim, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF BOARD RULE: INITIAL READING 6Gx13-4D-1.022, MANUAL OF PROCEDURES FOR MANAGERIAL EXEMPT PERSONNEL

On October 24, 2001, the School Board directed the Superintendent to revise School Board Rule 6Gx13- 4D-1.022, Manual of Procedures for Managerial Exempt Personnel, by revising Section B-5, Compensation Increases, of the document, Manual of Procedures for Managerial Exempt Personnel (MEP), which is incorporated by reference and is a part of this rule, to reflect the deletion of paragraph G, which are procedures for annual legislative supplements.

Attached are the Notice of Intended Action, the rule, Section B -5 Compensation Increases, pages 8, 9, and 10; Section G-6 Leaves, pages 64, 65, and 66; and Section G-10 Terminal Pay, page 79, of the document, Manual of Procedures for Managerial Exempt Personnel (MEP), proposed for amendment. Changes from the current rule are indicated by underscoring words to be added and ~~striking through~~ words to be deleted.

Authorization of the Board is requested for the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act for the amendment of Board Rule 6Gx13- 4D-1.022, Manual of Procedures for Managerial Exempt Personnel.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to amend School Board Rule 6Gx13- 4D-1.022, Manual of Procedures for Managerial Exempt Personnel by amending the document, Manual of Procedures for Managerial Exempt Personnel (MEP), which is incorporated by reference and is a part of this rule.

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NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, announced on November 14, 2001, its intention to amend Board Rule 6Gx13- 4D-1.022, Manual of Procedures for Managerial Exempt Personnel, and to revise pages of the document, Manual of Procedures for Managerial Exempt Personnel (MEP), which is incorporated by reference and is a part of this rule, at its meeting of January 16, 2002.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To amend the rule and revise Section B-5, Compensation Increases, to reflect the deletion of paragraph G, which are procedures for annual legislative supplements; Section G-6, Leaves, and Section G-10, Terminal Pay, of the document, Manual of Procedures for Managerial Personnel (MEP), to comport with current Florida Statute and Board direction.

SUMMARY: The document, Manual of Procedures for Managerial Exempt Personnel (MEP), delineates procedures for managerial exempt personnel including employment policies, guidelines, and provisions for classification, compensation, and performance appraisal for the aforementioned employee group.

SPECIFIC LEGAL AUTHORITY UNDER WHICH RULEMAKING IS AUTHORIZED: 230.22(2); 230.23(22) F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED, INTERPRETED, OR MADE SPECIFIC: 231.02; 231.0861; 231.087(1); 231.29; 231.36(1)(b); 231.40(3)(e); 236.0811 F.S.; 6A-4.0083; 6A-4.0084 FAC

IF REQUESTED, A HEARING WILL BE HELD DURING THE BOARD MEETING OF January 16, 2002, which begins at 1:00 p.m. in the School Board Auditorium, 1450 N. E. Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132. Persons requesting such a hearing, or who wish to provide information regarding the statement of estimated regulatory costs, or to provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative as provided by Section 120.541 (1), F.S., must do so in writing by December 12, 2001, to the Superintendent of Schools, Room 912, at the same address.

ANY PERSON WHO DECIDES TO APPEAL THE DECISION made by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, with respect to this action will need to ensure the preparation of a verbatim record of the proceedings, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. (Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes)

A COPY OF THE PROPOSED AMENDED RULE is available for inspection and copying at cost by the public in the Citizen Information Center, Room 158, 1450 N. E. Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132.

Originator: Mr. Nelson E. Diaz
Supervisor: Mr. Merrett R. Stierheim
Date: October 31, 2001

Compensation and Related Benefits**MANUAL OF PROCEDURES FOR MANAGERIAL EXEMPT PERSONNEL****I. Statement of Policy-Relations with Professional Associations of School District Administrators**

Administrators employed by the District and designated as managerial exempt have joined together in professional associations to further both the interests of public education and of the administrators themselves. Such associations can contribute to the orderly and proper operation of the District by presenting the concerns of the District's administrators to the Superintendent and to the School Board. Concerns of administrators which pertain to wages, benefits, and other terms and conditions of employment can most efficiently be presented to and considered by the Superintendent working with a single professional association. While individual administrators will always be free to present their personal views to the Superintendent and/or the Board, it has been determined that, as a matter of policy, the common concerns of managerial exempt administrators on matters pertaining to wages, benefits and other terms and conditions of employment should be presented to the Board through the Superintendent working with a single professional association.

Therefore, providing that a professional association can show that it represents a majority of the managerial exempt employees, the Superintendent shall recognize that association to represent all managerial exempt employees on common issues regarding wages, benefits, and other terms and conditions of employment. The Superintendent shall designate and inform the Board of the appropriate association to meet and confer with the Superintendent pursuant to this rule.

II. Manual of Procedures for Managerial Exempt Personnel (MEP)

The wages, benefits, and terms and conditions of employment of the District's managerial exempt employees shall be delineated in the Manual of Procedures for Managerial Exempt Personnel (MEP), which shall be incorporated into and be a part of this Board rule. Except when required by state or federal law, regulations, or when recommended by the Superintendent, the MEP will be amended annually, as necessary, subsequent to the completion of the "meet and confer" process.

The MEP will include, but not be limited to the following topics:

- A. Wages
- B. Classification of managerial exempt positions

- C. Compensatory benefits, e.g., health and life insurance, retirement, holidays, vacation, sick leave, disability leave, supplemental worker's compensation payments, tax-deferred annuity or salary deferment programs, and cafeteria plans
- D. Working conditions, e.g., travel reimbursement, continuing education, professional development, personal liability protection, leave policies (professional, military, personal leave of absence and parental), employee assistance programs
- E. Evaluation procedures
- F. Job assignment procedures
- G. Statement of human rights
- H. Investigation procedures
- I. Reappointment procedures
- J. Reduction in force/surplus/reorganization procedures
- K. Impartial District administrative review and hearing procedure for appeals of disciplinary actions
- L. Impartial District administrative review for resolution of non-disciplinary disputes, e.g., disputes over whether salary schedule, benefits or other working conditions are granted in accordance with the MEP or whether procedures in the MEP were followed.

Note: In the dispute resolution procedures set forth above in K and L, the association shall be permitted to represent and assist its members. All managerial exempt employees shall be permitted to utilize these procedures to resolve their disputes without the assistance or representation of the association; however, no precedent shall be established nor implied in any dispute resolution formulated without the participation of the association.

III. Amendment of the MEP

- A. The Superintendent shall prepare proposed amendments and forward such to the association.
- B. The association shall notify the Superintendent in writing whether it concurs with the amendments as proposed or wishes to meet and confer with the Superintendent concerning proposals or to offer additional proposals.

- C. Should the association indicate its desire to meet and confer, the Superintendent or his designee(s) shall meet and confer with the association on a regular basis in an attempt to agree upon the proposed amendments to be presented to the Board; however, nothing herein shall preclude the Superintendent from recommending such amendments to the Board in the event an agreement is not reached on such amendments.
- D. When the association and the Superintendent agree upon the proposed amendments to the MEP, it shall be presented to the Board by the Superintendent. The association shall, prior to consideration by the Board, transmit to the Board the association's support of the proposed MEP.

IV. Association Rights

The following rights shall be provided to the association:

- A. Payroll deductions
- B. Inclusion in E-Mail subject to applicable laws and regulations
- C. Access to school facilities for the association's staff and officers to meet with managerial exempt employees at reasonable times which will not interfere with the employee's assigned duties, after giving notice to the supervising administrator at each facility
- D. Regularly scheduled meetings with the Superintendent, except when extenuating circumstances prevent such scheduled meetings from occurring
- E. Incorporation of this rule and the MEP into the contracts between managerial exempt personnel and the School Board as follows:

School Board Rule number 6Gx13- 4D-1.022 entitled "MANUAL OF PROCEDURES FOR MANAGERIAL EXEMPT PERSONNEL (MEP)" is hereby incorporated into this Contract and hereby made a part thereof, binding on both parties. This Contract is subject to the amendments to said rule.

Specific Authority: 230.22(2); 230.23 (22) F.S.

Law Implemented, Interpreted or Made Specific: 231.02;231.0861;231.087(1); 231.29;
231.36(1)(b); 231.40(3)(e);236.0811 F.S.;
6A-4.0083;6A-4.0084 FAC

History

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

New: 1-8-86

Amended: 6-25-86; 10-15-86; 12-17-86; 9-30-87; 7-27-88; 10-18-89; 9-26-90; 8-21-91;
6-24-92; 1-20-93; 12-14-94; 10-25-95; 3-5-97; 11-5-97; 6-10-98; 10-21-98; 8-25-99; 3-15-00;
9-13-00; 4-18-01