Office of Superintendent of Schools Board Meeting of February 13, 2002

Facilities Planning and Construction
Suzanne A. Marshall, Chief Facilities Officer (Construction)

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS FOR REPLACEMENT OF RELOCATABLES FROM \$30 MILLION TO \$50 MILLION TO FACILITATE COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW

At the School Board Meeting of September 12, 2001, the Board approved \$30 million of funding to initiate a relocatable, replacement classroom program to initiate activities to comply with the replacement state statute concerning relocatable classroom standards.

District staff and consultants are currently developing the initial phase of the replacement of non-compliant relocatable classrooms. This initial phase replaces non-compliant relocatable classrooms with permanent modular building additions.

July 1, 2002 is the deadline established by the Florida Legislature for program completion. It is requested that additional funding in the amount of \$20,000,000 be authorized to provide additional relocatables to expedite compliance with new state relocatable classroom standards. Authorization is also requested to select a construction management firm and design consultant to provide implementation of this phase of the relocatable compliance program.

RECOMMENDED:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

- 1) authorize an additional \$20,000,000 to purchase relocatable classrooms as a part of the relocatable replacement program; and
- authorize selection of a construction management firm and a design consultant to provide planning and construction to replace non-compliant relocatable classrooms.

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