

Office of Superintendent of Schools
Special Board Meeting of March 26, 2003

March 25, 2003

Merrett R. Stierheim, Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT: THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,
FLORIDA, APPROVE THE REMAINING RECOMMENDATION
ASSOCIATED WITH THE SUPERINTENDENT'S
REORGANIZATION**

At its March 12, 2003 meeting, the Board approved agenda item Revised Replacement A-1 Superintendent's Reorganization and Restructuring of Selected Offices within the School District. Discussion concerning the transfer of the Chief Auditor resulted in an amendment concerning that portion of the recommended action in the Board item. The Board directed the Superintendent to verify that the recommended action with regard to the Chief Auditor position complied with State Statute and School Board Rule, and requested that the Superintendent receive input from the School Board Audit Committee on this issue.

A legal opinion was sought from the School Board attorney to confirm whether the recommendation was made in accordance with State Statute and School Board Rule. The Board Attorney opined that the Superintendent acted within his authority when recommending the proposed appointment. The Superintendent requested that this issue be discussed at the March 18, 2003 Audit Committee meeting, which was subsequently postponed to April 8, 2003, the day before the next regularly scheduled Board meeting. Out of consideration for personal and family reasons, I am recommending Jose Montes de Oca, Assistant Chief Auditor, Management and Compliance Audits, to be (Interim) Chief Auditor and Julio Miranda, District Director, Compliance and Investigative Audits, to be (Interim) Assistant Chief of Management and Compliance Audits.

Correspondence from the Superintendent, the Board Attorney and the Audit Committee Chair has been forwarded to the Board under separate cover and will be resubmitted to the Board prior to the March 26, 2003 Special School Board meeting and copies will be placed on file in the Office of the Recording Secretary to the School Board and in the Citizen Information Center.

**REPLACEMENT
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RECOMMENDED:

That effective March 27, 2003, or as soon thereafter as can be facilitated, The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

1. appoint and assign Mr. George Balsa, Chief Auditor, Management and Compliance Audits, MEP pay grade 26, to Assistant Superintendent, Office of Performance Improvement, MEP pay grade 25;
2. appoint and assign Mr. Jose Montes de Oca, Assistant Chief Auditor, Management and Compliance Audits, MEP pay grade 25, to (Interim) Chief Auditor, Management and Compliance Audits, MEP pay grade 26; and
3. appoint and assign Mr. Julio Miranda, District Director, Compliance and Investigative Audits, MEP pay grade 23 to (Interim) Assistant Chief of Management and Compliance Audits, MEP pay grade 25.