

Office of School Board Members
Board Meeting of May 14, 2003

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Frank J. Bolaños, Member

SUBJECT: FLORIDA KIDCARE – PROTECTING OUR CHILDREN

**COMMITTEE: LEGISLATIVE RELATIONS, PERSONNEL SERVICES AND
POLICY DEVELOPMENT**

Florida KidCare offers affordable, low-cost health insurance for the uninsured children of Florida.

As part of the City of Miami's Anti-Poverty Initiative, Mayor Manuel Diaz is launching an effort to engage our community's neediest citizens and inform them on health insurance options through KidCare.

Miami-Dade County Public Schools, which educates over 400,000 students and employs over 40,000 residents, has partnered with the State of Florida since 1996 to disseminate information on this useful program.

By continually supporting Florida KidCare and assisting in Mayor Diaz' initiative, Miami-Dade Schools benefits by helping give peace of mind to many who learn and work in our classrooms and be an active partner in easing the burden of rising health insurance costs for our most needy.

It is requested that the Miami-Dade School board endorse the City of Miami's KidCare initiative and that the Superintendent and appropriate staff aid in disseminating options relating to this program to parents and employees.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
FRANK J. BOLAÑOS:**

That the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida endorse the City of Miami's KidCare initiative and that the Superintendent and appropriate staff be directed to aid in disseminating information relating to this program to parents and employees.

REPLACEMENT
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