

Office of Superintendent of Schools  
Board Meeting of May 14, 2003

April 30, 2003

Office of School Board Attorney  
Johnny Brown, School Board Attorney

**SUBJECT:            PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF SCHOOL BOARD RULE: INITIAL  
READING 6Gx13- 7E-1.02, EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES–NAMING**

**COMMITTEE:        LEGISLATIVE RELATIONS, PUBLIC RELATIONS AND  
PERSONNEL SERVICES**

At its meeting of April 9, 2003, the School Board Attorney was directed to review the  
aforementioned rule and provide revisions for clarity without changing the intent of the rule.

Attached are the Notice of Intended Action and the rule 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- 7E-1.02, Educational Facilities–Naming.

**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- 7E-1.02, Educational  
Facilities–Naming.

## NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, announced on May 14, 2003, its intention to amend Board Rule 6Gx13- 7E-1.02, Educational Facilities–Naming, at its meeting of June 18, 2003.

**PURPOSE AND EFFECT:** The revision to the Board Rule will provide clarity to those charged with carrying out the process of naming or renaming schools and other facilities.

**SUMMARY:** To provide clarity in implementing the process of naming or renaming schools and other facilities.

**SPECIFIC LEGAL AUTHORITY UNDER WHICH RULEMAKING IS AUTHORIZED:** 1001.41(1)(2); 1001.42(22); 1001.43(10) F.S.

**LAW IMPLEMENTED, INTERPRETED, OR MADE SPECIFIC:** 1001.41(1) F.S.

IF REQUESTED, A HEARING WILL BE HELD DURING THE BOARD MEETING OF June 18, 2003, 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 June 10, 2003, 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. Johnny Brown  
Date: April 30, 2003

Occupying**EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES--NAMING**

The School Board will consider and decide upon proposed names for new school plants facility and renaming of existing facilities.

- I. Names to be proposed shall be selected in accordance with the following guidelines:
  - A. If the school or school facility is to be named by its location in the community, the names proposed should be descriptive and of reasonable length.
  - B. If the school or school facility is to be named for a man or woman, the names proposed should be:
    1. Those of outstanding civic, or educational leaders, or individuals who have made a significant contribution to humanity whether living or deceased, of local, national, or international prominence.
    2. If the school or school facility is to be named for a living person the eponym's consent will first be obtained.
- II. In each instance when a new school facility is to be named or an existing facility renamed, An Educational Facilities Naming Committee will be convened to consider during construction of a new facility or by the Chair to consider the renaming of a facility and oversee the process of soliciting community input and making recommendations to the School Board for final approval.
  - A. The Associate Superintendent, ACCESS Operations, shall be responsible for convening an Educational Facilities Naming Committee and serving as the coordinator of the activities of the committee.
  - A.B. The Educational Facilities Naming committee will be comprised of:
    1. the Board Chair,
    2. the Board member in whose district the school or facility to be named or renamed is located,
    3. the Region Assistant Superintendent, ACCESS Center, in whose region the school or facility is located.

4. the PTA President of the existing school or in the event of a new school, the PTA President of the nearest elementary school.
5. A representative appointed by the city council of the municipality in which the school to be named is located, or if not within a municipality, a representative of appointed by the applicable community council.
6. the Principal of the school or the administrator for a non-school facility (non-voting).

~~B C.~~ The Chair shall appoint another Board member to the committee in the event the school or facility to be named is located in the Chair's district.

~~G.~~ The Chief of Staff shall serve as the coordinator of the activities of the committee.

III. ~~Tributes to School, School Facility Staff Members or Community Person (active, retired, or deceased):~~

~~Upon occasion, student groups, school faculties, school organizations or community organizations may desire to dedicate a project at a particular school in the form of a tribute to a school staff member or community person. This may be done, with the approval of the region superintendent, in one of the following ways:~~

~~A. By purchase and installation of a plaque;~~

~~B. Through development of a patio garden with appropriate identification;~~

~~C. By planting a tree with appropriate identification.~~

Naming New School Facilities

The Associate Superintendent, ACCESS Operations, will convene an Educational Facilities Naming Committee within three (3) months after the commencement of construction of a new school facility, and will oversee the process of soliciting community input.

IV. Renaming Existing Facilities

The name of a new school or school facility adopted by the Board shall be permanent except when the Board determines by majority vote that a name change is desirable for good cause as a result of a positive recommendation from an appointed Educational Facilities Naming Committee. No existing facility will be renamed unless the

request to do so emanates from the students, their families, the school's faculty, the community or other interest groups.

The Associate Superintendent, ACCESS Operations, upon receipt of requests sufficient to indicate community interest in renaming an existing facility, will oversee the process of soliciting community input and convene an Educational Facilities Naming Committee.

Specific Authority: ~~230.22(2); 230.23(22)~~ 1001.41(1)(2); 1001.42(22); 1001.43(10) F.S.  
Law Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: ~~230.22(1)~~ 1001.41(1) F.S.

History THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
Repromulgated: 12-11-74  
Amended: 2-1-76; 9-23-81; 3-24-93; 12-11-96; 1-14-98; 6-23-99; 10-23-02