

August 8, 2003

Mercedes Toural, Chief Education Officer
and Deputy Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT: REQUEST SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL OF THE FIRST
 AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACTUAL
 AGREEMENT WITH WORK AMERICA, INCORPORATED ON BEHALF
 OF ROSA PARKS CHARTER SCHOOL/FLORIDA CITY**

COMMITTEE: EDUCATION AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS

As per Section 1002.33(7)(c), Florida Statutes, a charter school contractual agreement may be modified during its initial term or any renewal term upon the recommendation of the sponsor and the approval of both parties to the agreement.

The original charter school contractual agreement with Work America, Incorporated, on behalf of Rosa Parks Charter School/Florida City, was approved by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, on June 23, 1999, for a term of three years commencing with the 1999-2000 school year. On May 15, 2002, the School Board approved the renewal of the contractual agreement for a period of five years. Rosa Parks Charter School/Florida City serves approximately 138 students in grades kindergarten through seven.

Work America, Incorporated, has requested a first amendment to allow for:

- the school to relocate to a temporary facility at 303 West Palm Drive and 300 SW First Street, Florida City, Florida 33034 (contiguous properties) for the 2003-2004 school year while construction is finalized at the permanent facility at 713 West Palm Drive, Florida City, Florida 33034; and
- the name of the contracting party to be changed from Work America, Incorporated, to Rosa Parks Charter Schools, Inc.

The Charter School Contract Review Committee met on June 26, 2003, and by a majority vote made a recommendation for approval of the first amendment to the charter school contractual agreement.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the first amendment to the charter school contractual agreement with Work America, Incorporated on behalf of Rosa Parks Charter School/Florida City, to:

1. relocate the school to a temporary facility at 303 West Palm Drive and 300 SW First Street, Florida City, Florida 33034 (contiguous properties), for the 2003-2004 school year; and
2. change the name of the contracting party from Work America, Incorporated to Rosa Parks Charter Schools, Inc., on behalf of Rosa Parks Charter School/Florida City.

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