

Ms. Evelyn Langlieb Greer, Member

SUBJECT: SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS EXPENDITURES OF FUNDS

COMMITTEE: INNOVATION, EFFICIENCY & GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Each School Board member is allocated staff, personal salary and additional office operating funds on an annual basis from which to run his/her office. Such funds are designated by categories which do not necessarily reflect the Member's priorities.

The Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners has discretion to allocate its office budgets in a lawful way, as it deems appropriate, so long as it reports such expenditures on a monthly basis.

School Board members should be able to allocate their office funds in a more flexible, practical way. Board members should be able to operate their offices, join organizations, such as PTSA's and Chambers of Commerce, sponsor events at schools and at community-based organizations, send out newsletters and pay for advertisements featuring District and school achievements and awards, and otherwise use their funds in a way that advances the District's Strategic Plan and mission.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
MS. EVELYN LANGLIEB GREER:**

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

1. Initiate rule making to revise the allowable uses of Board members' office funds so as to permit Board members to operate their offices, join organizations, sponsor events at schools and at community-based organizations, send out newsletters and pay for advertisements featuring District and school achievements and awards, and otherwise use their funds in a way that advances the District's Strategic Plan and mission.