

Mr. Agustin J. Barrera, Chair

**SUBJECT: REQUEST TO INCREASE THE INSPECTOR GENERAL'S
BUDGET ALLOCATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 07-08, AND
APPROVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-09**

COMMITTEE: INNOVATION, EFFICIENCY & GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

**LINK TO DISTRICT
STRATEGIC PLAN: DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT NEW PROCESSES AND
PROGRAMS TO IMPROVE STAFF SATISFACTION AND
RETENTION**

On October 17, 2007, the School Board approved entering into an Inter-Local Agreement ("ILA") with Miami-Dade County for the purpose of securing the services of the County's Inspector General. On December 18, 2007, the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County approved the final execution of the Inter-Local with the School Board. Upon the adoption of the ILA, the Inspector General, Mr. Christopher Mazzella, commenced transition process and began performing the terms of the ILA with the School Board.

Pursuant to the ILA, in order for the Inspector General to perform his duties and responsibilities under the ILA, the County's Inspector General and the School Board are to agree upon an annual budget. Specifically Section 7 of the ILA provides that:

SB OIG Budget. The Inspector General will, within 90 days after the ILA becomes effective, present to the School Board, through a recommendation from the Superintendent, a proposed annual budget for the SB OIG and a method for its implementation. This proposed budget shall be inclusive of the resources to be provided by the County OIG through its professional staff and any operating expenditures made directly by the County OIG in the furtherance of or pursuant to this ILA. Additionally, the annual budget shall contain funds to accommodate the resources to be provided for the operation of the SB OIG as identified in Section 5(a) and 5(c) herein, and sufficient funds for the general operation of the SB OIG. Once the SB OIG and the School Board are in agreement, the School Board shall adequately fund the costs of the services and

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operations for not less than the first year of this ILA. Thereafter, annual budgets shall be proposed in accordance with the guidelines set forth in this Section. . . . Should the parties hereto be unable to agree upon a budget in the manner prescribed in this section, this ILA shall be void ab initio, and any unexpended and unencumbered funds included in the initial funding allocation provided by the School Board, shall be returned to the School Board.

Combined with existing funds in the Office of Inspector General budget, total available funds for fiscal year 2007-2008 was approximately \$140,000. However, the Office of the Inspector General has advised that the estimated amount required to complete the services for the 2007-2008 year is approximately \$225,000, and thus will require an increased budgetary allocation in order to compensate Miami-Dade County for this overage. The Inspector Generals' Office has also provided a proposed budget for the Fiscal Year 2008-2009, which is attached hereto. In accordance with the terms of the ILA, approval of the proposed budget for the Inspector General's Office is requested.

This item does not appear on the published Agenda. Good Cause exists to vary from the published Agenda as it is necessary, pursuant to the terms of the ILA, to establish the budget for the Office of the Inspector General for Fiscal Year 2008-2009, which will begin on July 1, 2008.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
AGUSTIN J. BARRERA:**

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


1. Approve increase budgetary allocation for the Office of the Inspector General, for a total budget amount of \$225,000 for fiscal year 2007-08; and
2. Approve the proposed budget for the Office of the Inspector General for fiscal year 2008-09, attached hereto.

MEMORANDUM

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June 17, 2008

TO: Mr. Agustin J. Barrera, Chair
The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida

FROM: Rudolph F. Crew, Superintendent of Schools 

SUBJECT: OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL - BUDGET REQUEST

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Also, as of June 9, 2008, the OIG has spent, committed or encumbered approximately \$140,000 of their \$143,299 budget for FY 2007-08. Their new estimate to fund operations through June 30, 2008, is now \$225,000.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Ofelia San Pedro, Deputy Superintendent, at 305-995-4581 or Dr. Grace L. Ali, Chief Financial Officer, at 305-995-4274.

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Attachment

cc: School Board Attorney
Ms. Ofelia San Pedro
Dr. Grace L. Ali

MEMORANDUM

June 11, 2008

TO: Mr. Agustin J. Barrera, Chair
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FROM: Rudolph F. Crew, Superintendent of Schools *RFC*

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MEMORANDUM

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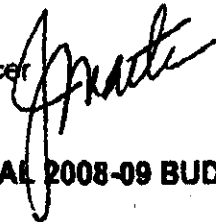
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TO: Dr. Grace Ali, Chief Financial Officer
Financial Operations

FROM: Judith M. Marte, Chief Budget Officer
Office of Budget Management



SUBJECT: OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL 2008-09 BUDGET SUBMISSION

Representatives of the Office of Budget Management met with Dylan Hughes and Patra Liu from the Miami-Dade County Office of the Inspector General (MDC-OIG) to discuss the office's 2008-09 budget request for services to be rendered to the Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS or the District). In summary, the total dollar amount requested was \$1,496,380. This figure is made up of the following components:

• M-DCPS Staff:		\$ 509,500
o Administrative Assistant (1)	\$ 43,500	
o Attorney (1)	\$ 83,500	
o Auditor/Analyst (1)	\$ 68,500	
o Special Agent/IG Investigator (4)	\$ 314,000	
• Reimbursement to MDC-OIG for Reassigned Staff		\$ 630,680
• Office Equipment		\$ 61,700
• Vehicles & Fuel (Includes 4 cars)		\$ 120,000
• Maintenance Contracts		\$ 2,500
• Office Supplies		\$ 15,000
• Investigative Funds		\$ 50,000
• Consultants & Professional Services		\$ 75,000
• Training		\$ 12,000
• Office Expansion		\$ 10,000
• Furniture and Fixtures		\$ 10,000
	TOTAL	\$1,496,380

For a point-of-reference, in 2005-06, the last full year of M-DCPS' previous Office of Inspector General under the direction of Mr. Cousins, the total budget for the office was \$918,578.

As stated in Board Item H-2 from the April 16, 2008 School Board Meeting, MDC-OIG has been working with the District to include preparation of the new office's budget in the overall M-DCPS 2008-09 budget process. The Inspector General reports to the School Board.

It is my understanding that the Inspector General's Budget must be approved by the School Board.

If you have additional questions, please call me at 305-995-1226.

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