Office of School Board Members Board Meeting of November 18, 2008

Mr. Agustin J. Barrera, Chair

SUBJECT:

RECEIVE RESULT OF MEDIATION AND RECOMMENDATION

FROM THE SPECIAL COUNSEL ON THE SCHOOL BOARD

ATTORNEY'S CONTRACT

LINK TO DISTRICT

STRATEGIC PLAN: IMPROVE STAKEHOLDER SATISFACTION

At the Special Board meeting of October 10, 2008, the Board approved Agenda Item SP-2 [Receive from the Special Counsel His Status Report or Opinion and Recommendations on the School Board Attorney's Contract]. As a result of the approval of SP-2, the Board authorized Special Counsel to attempt to resolve the matter of the School Board Attorney's contract through mediation and determined that the School Board Chair should serve as the School Board's representative at the mediation.

In accordance with the agreement of the parties, on September 10, 2008, a mediation was held before retired former Federal District Court Judge Edward B. Davis. After several hours of mediation, counsel for the parties came to a tentative agreement to be presented, once memorialized, for the entire Board for its consideration.

This item is presented to afford the Board an opportunity to consider Special Counsel's opinion and recommendations with respect to the proposed agreement as to the resolution of the School Board Attorney's contract, and to take action appropriate action thereon.

This item does not appear on the published agenda because the mediation was not completed until after the publication of the agenda for this meeting. There is good cause to vary from the published agenda in order to ensure that the best interests of the District are served by the prompt resolution of this matter.

ACTION PROPOSED BY MR. AGUSTIN J. BARRERA, CHAIR:

MR. AGUSTIN J. BARRERA, CHAIR: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida receive Special Counsel's opinion and consider his recommended resolution and proposed mediated agreement with respect to the School Board Attorney's contract, and to take action thereon as deemed appropriate by the Board.

GOOD CAUSE H-2