

Dr. Solomon C. Stinson, Chair

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR COMMENCEMENT OF SEARCH FOR SCHOOL BOARD ATTORNEY, ADOPTION OF PROCEDURES

COMMITTEE: SCHOOL SUPPORT ACCOUNTABILITY

LINK TO DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN: GENERAL OPERATIONS

This item is presented for the Board's consideration to establish an advertising, screening and selection timeline to accomplish the search and hiring of a School Board Attorney as discussed at the Board workshop of January 22, 2009.

- Advertisement in local Newspaper, legal journals or periodicals February 12 – March 13, 2009
- Appointment of a nine (9) member Screening Committee to be appointed by the Board February 27, 2009
- Screening Committee will select a minimum of three with a maximum of five applicants March 23-27, 2009
- Background/Conflict checks on selected applicants March 30-April 3, 2009
- Board meets with applicants individually April 20-24, 2009
- Board workshop for applicants to be interviewed by the Board April 27 – May 1, 2009
- Final applicants made public at Board meeting where the Board will vote on the applicant of their choice May 20, 2009

ACTION PROPOSED BY

- DR. SOLOMON STINSON, CHAIR:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:
1. Adopt the established advertising, screening and selection timeline for the selection of a new School Board Attorney.
 2. Advertise only in no cost venues; or
 3. Advertise in appropriate venues for a cost not to exceed \$1,050; or
 4. Advertise in appropriate venues for a cost not to exceed \$3,000.

Miami-Dade County Public Schools
School Board Attorney
Contract
Salary \$195,000 - \$215,000 *Negotiable

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida (M-DCPS), the fourth largest school district in the nation is accepting applications for the School Board Attorney. Applicants and/or their representatives shall not lobby the Board for this position.

Qualifications include:

- Member in good standing with the Florida Bar
- Ten (10) years experience in the practice of law
- Litigation experience
- Management experience
- Governmental Law (Florida)
- Educational experience, preferred
- Miami-Dade/Broward County resident, preferred
- Knowledge of Parliamentary Procedure (certification preferred)
- Ethics training preferred
- Knowledge/experience of contract development
- Disclosure at onset of conflicts of interest dating back two years

Please send cover letter and resume, no later than, March 13, 2009, by 2:00 p.m. to:

Miami-Dade County Public Schools
Dr. Helen Blanch, Administrative Director Business Services
1450 NE Second Avenue, Room 912
Miami, FL 33132