Office of School Board Members Board Meeting of April 22, 2009

Dr. Wilbert T. Holloway, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR STUDENT/TEACHERS TO TRAVEL

OUT OF THE COUNTRY

COMMITTEE: SCHOOL SUPPORT ACCOUNTABILITY

LINK TO DISTRICT

STRATEGIC PLAN: INCREASE STUDENT EXPOSURE AND UNDERSTANDING OF

GLOBAL ISSUES AND THE ECONOMY

Authorization is requested for one student and two teachers to travel to Kigali, Rwanda revised to participate in the Ingram Africa School Alliance (IASA) Project, May 27th-June 8th, 2009.

At the Board meeting of August 22, 2001, the School Board approved item K-2 authorizing the Superintendent to determine the strategy for collaborating with the Foundation for Democracy in Africa (FDA) in an effort to establish a sister-school partnership and student exchange program. Ever since 2003, the School Board has approved an annual out-of-country field trip to Rwanda for eleven students and five teachers from Miami Carol City Senior High School to participate in an established exchange program with FAWE Girls School in Kigali, Rwanda.

As a part of this development, the Foundation for Democracy in Africa is providing funding for one student and two teachers to travel to Kigali, Rwanda, to engage in an education exchange experience with FAWE Girls School.

ACTION PROPOSED BY DR. WILBERT T. HOLLOWAY:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the out-of-country field trip to Kigali, Rwanda, for Jazmin Youngblood, a student who attends Miami Carol City Senior High School, Ms. Linda Burke, a teacher at Miami Carol City Senior High School and Dr. Erhabor Ighodaro, a teacher at Parkway Middle School, from May 27th – June 8th, 2009

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