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District/School Operations

**SUBJECT: REQUEST SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL OF THE CHARTER
 SCHOOL CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH ACADEMIR
 CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC., ON BEHALF OF ACADEMIR
 CHARTER SCHOOL WEST**

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

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Section 1002.33(7), Florida Statutes, Charter Schools, requires that the major issues involved in the operation of charter schools be considered in advance and written into a charter school contractual agreement, between the charter school and the sponsor, following a public hearing to ensure community input.

On November 18, 2008, The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida) approved a charter school application submitted for Academir Charter School West (Academir) and authorized the Superintendent of Schools to negotiate a charter school contractual agreement with the applicant for a term of five years for a maximum of 350 students in kindergarten through grade five, with a maximum of 250 students in its first year of operation, commencing the 2009-2010 school year. However, pursuant to Section 7(f) of School Board Rule 6Gx13- 6A-1.47, Charter Schools (K-12), the charter school has requested to extend contract negotiations and defer the opening of school until the 2010-2011 school year due to difficulties in obtaining a feasible facility.

Academir will be located at 14880 SW 26 Street, Miami, Florida 33185, and will serve a maximum of 724 students in kindergarten through grade five, commencing with the 2010-2011 school year. The term of the contract shall be for five years, ending on June 30, 2014, as a deferral to open will be granted for the 2009-2010 school year.

The Governing Board of the charter school is comprised of the following members: Mr. Armando Mayoli, President and CEO, Mayoli Air Conditioning; Mr. Oscar R. Aguilar, Director, O & P Tax Accounting Firm; and Ms. Lissette Gell, Property Manager, The Bayan Group.

The Charter School Contract Review Committee met on March 20, 2009, and by a unanimous vote made a recommendation for approval of the charter school contractual agreement with Academir Charter Schools, Inc., on behalf of Academir Charter School West.

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Copies of the charter school contractual agreement will be transmitted to the School Board Members under separate cover and will be available for inspection by the public in the Office of Board Recording Secretary, Room 924, and in the Citizen Information Center, Room 158, 1450 NE Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the charter school contractual agreement with Academir Charter Schools, Inc., on behalf of Academir Charter School West for a term of five years, commencing with the 2010-2011 school year and ending on June 30, 2014.

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