Freddie Woodson, Deputy Superintendent District/School Operations

SUBJECT: REQUEST SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL OF THE CHARTER

SCHOOL CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH ADVANCED LEARNING CHARTER SCHOOL, INC., ON BEHALF OF ADVANCED

LEARNING CHARTER SCHOOL

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

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STRATEGIC PLAN: GENERAL OPERATIONS

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 December 19, 2007, The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida approved a charter school application submitted for Advanced Learning Charter School (Advanced Learning) 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 2008-2009 school year. However, pursuant to Section 7(f) of School Board Rule 6Gx13- 6A-1.47, Charter Schools (K-12), the charter school requested to extend contract negotiations and defer the opening of school until the 2009-2010 school year due to difficulties in obtaining a feasible facility.

Advanced Learning will be located at 5855 NW 171 Street, Miami, Florida 33015, and will serve a maximum of 452 students in kindergarten through grade five, with a maximum of 350 students in kindergarten through grade five in its first year of operation, commencing with the 2009-2010 school year. The term of the contract shall be for five years, ending on June 30, 2013, as a deferral to open was granted for the 2008-2009 school year.

The Governing Board of the charter school is comprised of the following members: Mr. Hector Urbistondo, Attorney, Urbi & Associates; Ms. Ivette Diaz, President, Child Care Consultant, Inc.; and Mr. Alberto Perez, Operations Manager, Caremark.

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 Advanced Learning Charter School, Inc., on behalf of Advanced Learning Charter School.

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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 Advanced Learning Charter School, Inc., on behalf of Advanced Learning Charter School for a term of five years, commencing with the 2009-2010 school year and ending on June 30, 2013.

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