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Office of Human Resources, Recruiting, Performance Management and Labor Relations

**SUBJECT:           REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS (M-DCPS) AND FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY (FIU) TO PROVIDE STEM Miami, A SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS CERTIFICATE PROGRAM AT THE MASTERS LEVEL IN BOTH SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS**

**COMMITTEE:       SCHOOL SUPPORT ACCOUNTABILITY**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:   SCHOOL/DISTRICT LEADERSHIP**

In accordance with a collaborative agreement between Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) and Florida International University (FIU), the implementation of a certified program, STEM Miami, has been established for teachers in grades K-5 and 6-8 to support science and mathematics education for student achievement in M-DCPS classrooms. Representatives from the Office of Curriculum and Instruction, the Office of Human Resources, Recruiting, Performance Management and Labor Relations, and the College of Education at Florida International University, have met to formulate the plan designed to identify job-embedded graduate program requirements and course descriptions relative to these two subjects.

Copies of the MOU will be forwarded to Board Members under separate cover and will be placed on file in the Citizen Information Center and the Board Recording Secretary's Office.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Miami-Dade County Public Schools and Florida International University to implement the STEM Miami Certificate Program at the Masters level in both Science and Mathematics.

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