Ms. Raquel Regalado, Board Member

SUBJECT:

DIRECT THE SUPERINTENDENT TO AMEND BOARD RULE

TO ALLOW FOR DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS IN

SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

COMMITTEE:

INSTRUCTIONAL

EXCELLENCE

AND

COMMUNITY

ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO STRATEGIC

FRAMEWORK:

STUDENT, PARENT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Florida's Sunshine Law prohibits Board members from discussing issues among themselves that could foreseeably come before the Board for action. Also, pursuant to current policy and practice, the only way a Board member can bring an issue before the Board for discussion and soliciting input prior to submitting an agenda item recommending action, is to bring it up under the "New Business" section of a Committee agenda.

In order to provide notice to other Board members and the public that a member would like to discuss an issue in lieu of submitting an agenda item, this item requests that Board policies be amended to allow members to submit items for discussion on the Committee agenda according to the same deadlines and notice provisions as other agenda items. Board action would not be permitted on a discussion item. This would not prohibit members from bringing up issues under "New Business."

ACTION PROPOSED BY MS. RAQUEL REGALADO:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, direct the Superintendent to amend applicable Board policies to allow members to submit items for discussion on Committee agendas according to the same deadlines and notice provisions as agenda items.

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