Office of School Board Members Board Meeting of July 18, 2012

Dr. Martin Karp, Board Member

SUBJECT:

SCHOOL BOARD LEADERSHIP

COMMITTEE:

INNOVATION. EFFICIENCY AND GOVERNMENTAL

RELATIONS

LINK TO STRATEGIC

FRAMEWORK:

SCHOOL/DISTRICT LEADERSHIP

Each year, School Board members select a Chair and Vice Chair at an Organization Meeting held in November.

One purpose of this agenda item is to establish a platform for those Board members who wish to continue in their roles as Chair and Vice Chair, or for those who wish to seek these leadership positions, to announce their intentions at a School Board meeting one month prior to the Organization Meeting. During this time, those expressing interest may state goals and objectives and reasons for wanting to serve in a leadership capacity.

If a Board member is absent from the School Board meeting, then that Board member may submit a statement of interest to the School Board attorney prior to the meeting and the School Board Attorney will read the name along with the names of all interested board members.

If a newly elected or appointed Board member is sworn in before the Organization Meeting and was not serving on the Board during the time the School Board meeting was held where names were announced, and the individual is interested in seeking the position of Chair and/or Vice-Chair, that member will follow existing rules and be afforded the same opportunities that currently exist.

A second purpose of this item is to address voting at the Organization Meeting. In order for any Board member to receive votes for Chair and/or Vice Chair at the Organization Meeting, the Board member must accept a nomination. Persons who refuse to accept nominations must be excluded from final vote tallies.

ACTION PROPOSED BY DR. MARTIN KARP:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida establishes a procedure for announcing intentions to continue in or seek leadership roles of Chair and Vice Chair prior to the annual Organization Meeting, and revise rules regarding final vote tallies at the Organization Meeting to include only the names of individuals who accept nominations.

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