

Financial Services
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**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE TENTATIVE BOARD
MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2013**

COMMITTEE: INNOVATION, EFFICIENCY AND GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
FRAMEWORK: STUDENT, PARENT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Each year, as a part of the Board's November Organization Meeting, a schedule of School Board meetings is approved for a one-calendar-year period, beginning with the upcoming January. This year, for example, when the Board meets on Tuesday, November 20, 2012, it will give final approval to the recommended meeting schedule for January-December 2013.

Consistent with past practice, and in order to aid District planning efforts, staff is proposing that the Board give advance tentative approval to meeting dates through December 2013. By the Board tentatively approving a schedule of meeting dates at this time, planning for the many district-wide activities which occur throughout the 2012-2013 school year may begin. This then places Board members and staff in a better position to plan their own calendars of activities and avoid schedule conflicts.

In projecting Board meeting dates through the end of 2013, staff considered: (1) the pattern of Board meeting dates from previous years; (2) the Board's 2012-2013 adopted school calendar, including holidays and recess periods; (3) legislatively-mandated window periods for such special meetings as budget public hearings; and (4) major religious holidays.

Considering that the dates for September-December 2012 meetings have already been approved by the Board, the tentative dates projected for January-December 2013 School Board meetings are as follows:

January 16	May 8	July 25*	October 16
February 13	June 19	August 7	November 19***
March 13	July 17	September 3**	December 11
April 17			

- * First Budget Public Hearing
- ** Regular Meeting/Second Budget Public Hearing
- *** Organization Meeting/Regular Meeting

Staff will return to the Board at the November 20, 2012, Organization Meeting for final adoption of the 2013 calendar of School Board meetings.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, tentatively approve for planning purposes, the following schedule of Board meeting dates for the period January-December 2013: January 16, February 13, March 13, April 17, May 8, June 19, July 17, July 25 (First Budget Public Hearing), August 7, September 3 (Regular Meeting/Second Budget Public Hearing), October 16, November 19 (Organization Meeting/Regular Meeting), and December 11. The final listing of meeting dates for 2013 will be established by the Board at the 2012 Organization Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 20, 2012.