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SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS' DISTRICT PLAN FOR SERVICES TO ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS (ELLs) AND AUTHORIZE SUBMISSION OF THE PLAN TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK: EDUCATION

Section 1003.56, Florida Statutes, and rule 6A-6.0905, Florida Administrative Code (FAC), Requirements for the District English Language Learners (formerly known as Limited English Proficient) Plan, require that every three years each school district submit a plan which must be designed in accordance with rules 6A-6.0900 through 6A-6.09091, FAC, and all other applicable rules for providing instruction to English Language Learner (ELL) students. The new district ELL Plan will be effective July 1, 2013, and must be submitted to the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) for review and approval. The FLDOE is requiring that districts submit the Plan on-line.

A draft of the new district Plan for ELL students was shared with various groups for review and input. The district ELL Parent Leadership Council reviewed it on May 9, 2013, and a focus group that included teachers, assistant principals, principals and regional center directors reviewed it on May 6, 2013.

Copies of the document, *District Plan for Services to English Language Learners (ELLs)* will be provided to 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 the Citizen Information Center, Room 158, 1450 NE Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33131.

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RECOMMENDED:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

1. Approve the Miami-Dade County Public Schools' District Plan for Services to English Language Learners (ELLs); and
2. Authorize the Superintendent to submit the plan to the Florida Department of Education.