

Dr. Lawrence S. Feldman, Board Member

SUBJECT: EXPLORE THE FEASIBILITY OF OFFERING FEE-BASED ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO OTHER ENTITIES

COMMITTEE: INNOVATION, EFFICIENCY, AND GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

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

In recent years, Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) has led pioneering efforts in the areas of curricular innovation, development of choice and magnet programs, student achievement, equitable access to technology and efficient business practices. Currently, M-DCPS enjoys unparalleled levels of national recognition, as evidenced through impressive accolades and awards achieved in both education and fiscal arenas. This success is due in part to the Superintendent's and Board's willingness to look beyond the status quo and reinvent itself with renaissance of purpose and meaning. This deliberate and conscious reinvention has been based on the guiding principles of the four pillars of Student, Parent, and Community Engagement; Education; School and District Leadership; and Financial Stability.

While M-DCPS's main mission continues to be student-centered and aimed at increasing the achievement and educational opportunities available to our students, timing is opportune to further develop the area of financial stability. M-DCPS has established itself as a national leader in innovative and efficient business practices; this recognition is due to our ability to adapt and respond to outside forces and an ever-changing global market place. Innovative revenue-generating opportunities that leverage already existing M-DCPS operating systems and personnel expertise may serve to further solidify the financial pillar which we have so aptly advanced under the direction of stellar leadership.

This item seeks the opportunity to further explore the feasibility of creating additional revenue streams by offering fee-based administrative services to other educational, governmental and/or business entities. Unquestionably, M-DCPS is a leader in areas such as transportation, food service, payroll processing, crisis management, and curriculum development and training, to name just a few. As other entities seek our expertise in these and other areas, the opportunity for additional revenue streams becomes an advantageous arena to explore.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

DR. LAWRENCE S. FELDMAN:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County direct the Superintendent to explore the feasibility of offering fee-based administrative services to other entities and to bring forth findings and recommendations by the January 2014 School Board meeting.

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