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**SUBJECT: REQUEST SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL OF TWO AMENDED CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACTS**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

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

**CONTRACT AMENDMENTS**

Section 1002.33(7)(c), F. S. provides that a charter contract may be modified during its initial term or any renewal term. Listed below are two contract amendments. Pursuant to School Board Policy 9800, *Charter Schools*, the M-DCPS' Charter School Contract Review Committee (CRC) was only required to negotiate one of the two amended contracts presented on this agenda. The recommendations to the Superintendent were as follows:

Table 1: Contract Amendments					
	Type of Amendment	Name of School	Legal Entity	Committee Recommendation	Supporting Documentation
1.	Federal Funds Disbursement	Early Beginnings – Civic Center	United Cerebral Palsy of South Florida Charter Schools, Inc.	N/A	Attachment A
2.	Grade/Enrollment Configuration/ Location/Term/High Performing*	Highly Inquisitive & Versatile Education (HIVE) Preparatory School	Advanced Learning Charter School, Inc.	Approval	

*\*Pursuant to s.1002.33, "high performing" is a designation made by the Commission of Education for certain charter schools that allow them to increase enrollment, expand grade levels, submit quarterly rather than monthly financial reports, consolidate charters, and/or modify charter term to 15 years.*

Any significant increase in charter school student enrollment (Charter FTE) directly impacts the District's operating budget as well as instructional and non-instructional staffing levels. Only one of the amendments to the charter school contracts in this Board item represents an increase in overall charter school enrollment. To ensure that the District's financial position remains positive, Board authorization is requested to allow a Reduction-in-Force/Layoff only if it becomes necessary. Any such Reduction-in-Force/Layoff affecting instructional and non-instructional staff would be implemented in accordance with School Board policies and applicable collective bargaining agreements. The number of position reductions will not exceed the stated Initial Loss included in this item and will be re-evaluated and adjusted in subsequent years to reflect changes in FTE. The impact caused by the contract is provided in Attachment A.

Table 2: Total Loss					
District Impact	2014-15 SY Initial Loss		2014-15 SY Initial Loss - Human Capital		
	Total FEFP Revenue (\$)	Projected Charter FTE (#)	Instructional Positions		Non- Instructional Positions
			Core <sup>1</sup>	Non-Core <sup>2</sup>	
Amendment	\$454,875	75	4	1	3
<b>TOTAL INITIAL LOSS:</b>	<b>\$454,875</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>

Copy of the amendments have been transmitted to the 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 in the Citizen Information Center, Room 158, 1450 N.E. Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132.

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

1. Approve two amended charter school contracts with:
  - a. United Cerebral Palsy of South Florida Charter Schools, Inc., on behalf of Early Beginnings – Civic Center, to receive IDEA funds, pursuant to s.1002.33 (17), providing all requirements for accessing these funds are satisfied pursuant to state law and School Board Policy 9800; and,
  - b. Advanced Learning Charter School, Inc., on behalf of Highly Inquisitive & Versatile Education (HIVE) Preparatory School, pursuant Section 1002.331(3), F.S., **High-Performing Charter Schools**, to (i.) add grade six through grade eight; (ii.) increase student enrollment as follows: (a) 2014-2015: maximum of 552 students; and (b) 2015-2028: maximum of 900 students; (iii.) modify the term of the renewal contract from a 5-year term to a 15-year term, commencing with the 2013-2014 school year and ending on June 30, 2028; and (iv.) add an additional facility located at 17701 N.W. 57th Avenue, Miami, Florida 33055; Folio No. 30-2107-005-3140, commencing with the 2014-2015 school year.
2. Approve a Reduction-in-Force/Layoff as needed, only to the extent described in this item as Total Initial Loss, in accordance with School Board policies and applicable collective bargaining agreements.

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Attachment

<sup>1</sup> Core includes: elementary education, language arts/reading, mathematics, science, and social science.

<sup>2</sup> Non-Core includes: electives and all other subject areas and programs.

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ATTACHMENT A**

**AMENDMENTS:**

- Early Beginnings – Civic Center
- Highly Inquisitive & Versatile Education (HIVE) Preparatory School

The specifics of the amended charter school contracts recommended to the Superintendent for approval are as follows:

(1)/(2)(3)	(4)(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	
Name of School	School Location(s)	Term	Grade Levels Enrollment Current Year	Special Provisions and/or Requested Action(s)	2012 School Grade/ Rating	DISTRICT IMPACT 2013-2014 SY Revenue (\$)/ Positions	
	Feeder Pattern	Initial/ Exp.	Maximum Capacity			Instr.	Non- Instr.
<b>AMENDMENTS</b>							
<b>Early Beginnings – Civic Center</b> ESP: UCP of South Florida Charter Schools, Inc.  <i>No CRC required pursuant to School Board Policy 9800, Charter Schools.</i>	1411 N.W. 14 Avenue Miami, Florida 33125	5 year	Pre-K & 2 (ESE only)	Approval of the second amendment to the first renewal to receive IDEA funds, pursuant to s.1002.33 (17), providing all requirements for accessing these funds are satisfied pursuant to state law and School Board Policy 9800.	NG	N/A	
			2010/2015				

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	Feeder Pattern	Initial/Exp.	Maximum Capacity				Revenue (\$)/Positions	Instr.
<b>Highly Inquisitive &amp; Versatile Education (HIVE) Preparatory School</b> ESP: N/A  <i>CRC recommended approval on March 10, 2014.</i>	5855 N.W. 171 Street Miami, Florida 33015	5 year	K-5	851	Approval of the first amendment to the first renewal contract, pursuant to Section 1002.331(3), F.S., <b>High-Performing Charter Schools</b> , to (i.) add grade six through grade eight; (ii.) increase student enrollment to: (a) 2014-2015: maximum of 552 students; (b) 2015-2028: maximum of 900 students; (iii.) modify the term of the renewal contract from a 5-year term to a 15-year term, commencing with the 2013-2014 school year and ending on June 30, 2028; and (iv.) add an additional facility located at 17701 N.W. 57th Ave., Miami, FL 33055; Folio No. 30-2107-005-3140, commencing with the 2014-2015 school year.	A	\$454,875 (8)	
	American Senior High	2013/2018	K-5	900				
<b>TOTAL REVENUE (\$):</b>							<b>\$454,875</b>	
Total Instructional Positions:							<b>5</b>	
Total Non-Instructional Positions:							<b>3</b>	
<b>TOTAL POSITIONS:</b>							<b>8</b>	

Initial Year Loss: The revenue and positions indicated as "Initial Year Loss" provide an estimate of the potential impact on the District's General Fund (\$454,875), instructional staffing (5 positions), and non-

instructional staffing (3 positions). The loss of revenue is based on 95% of FEFP funds per student and 75% of the initial year enrollment projection that the District will not realize for the current fiscal year.

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