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 School Operations

**SUBJECT: REQUEST SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL OF THREE CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACT RENEWALS AND ONE AMENDED CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACT**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

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

**CONTRACT RENEWALS**

Section 1002.33(7)(c), F. S. provides that a charter contract may be modified during its initial term or any renewal term. Pursuant to School Board Policy 9800, *Charter Schools*, the M-DCPS' Charter School Contract Review Committee (CRC) reviewed three contract renewals and made recommendations to the Superintendent as follows.

Table 2: Charter Contract Renewals					
	Type of Amendment/Renewal	Name of School	Legal Entity	Committee Recommendation	Supporting Documentation
1.	High Performing/ 15-year Term/ Location/Grade & Enrollment Configuration**	AcadeMir Charter School West	AcadeMir Charter School, Inc.	Approval	Attachment A
2.	5-year Renewal	Miami Community Charter High School	Miami Community Charter High School, Inc.	Approval	
3.	5-year Renewal/ Enrollment Configuration	South Florida Autism Charter School	South Florida Autism Charter School, Inc.	Approval	

**CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

Section 1002.33(7)(c), F. S. provides that a charter contract may be modified during its initial term or any renewal term. Pursuant to School Board Policy 9800, *Charter Schools*, the M-DCPS' Charter School Contract Review Committee (CRC) was not required to negotiate the amended contract presented on this agenda. The recommendation to the Superintendent is as follows:

Table 2: Contract Amendments					
	Type of Amendment	Name of School	Legal Entity	Committee Recommendation	Supporting Documentation
1.	High Performing/ 15-year renewal term**	Lincoln-Marti Charter School (Little Havana Campus)	Lincoln-Marti Charter Schools, Inc.	N/A	Attachment A

\*\*Pursuant to s.1002.33, "high performing" is a designation, made by the Commission of Education for certain charter schools that allows 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 two of the four charter school contracts in this Board item represent 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 each contract is provided in Attachment A.

Table 3: 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>	
Renewals (2)	\$1,672,341	275	15	2	12
Amendment	\$0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL INITIAL LOSS:</b>	<b>\$1,672,341</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>

<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.

Copies of the renewed contracts and amendment documents 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 three renewed charter contracts with:
  - a. AcadeMir Charter School, Inc., on behalf of AcadeMir Charter School West, under Section 1002.331(3), F.S., **High-Performing Charter Schools**, to (1) renew the contract for a 15-year term; (2) add grades six through eight; (3) increase enrollment from 618 students to a maximum of 968 students; and (4) add an additional campus located at 14740 S.W. 26<sup>th</sup> Street, Miami, Florida 33185; Folio No. 30-4916-048-0010, to house grade levels 6<sup>th</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup>, commencing with the 2014-2015 school year;
  - b. Miami Community Charter High School, Inc., on behalf of Miami Community Charter High School, for a term of five years commencing with the 2014-2015 school year and ending on June 30, 2019; and
  - c. South Florida Autism Charter School, Inc., on behalf of South Florida Autism Charter School, to (1) renew the contract for a 5-year term, commencing with the 2014-2015 school year and ending on June 30, 2029; and (2) increase enrollment capacity such as: (a) a maximum of 180 students for the 2014-2015 school year; (b) a maximum of 207 students for the 2015-2016 school year; (c) a maximum of 234 students for the 2016-2017 school year; (d) a maximum of 270 students for the 2017-2018 school year; and (e) a maximum of 300 students for the 2018-2019 school year.
2. Approve the amended charter school contract with Lincoln-Marti Charter Schools, Inc., on behalf of Lincoln-Marti Charter School (Little Havana Campus), under Section 1002.331(3), F.S., **High-Performing Charter Schools**, to modify the term of the contract from a 10-year term to a 15-year term, commencing with the 2009-2010 school year and ending on June 30, 2024.
3. 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

**School Board Agenda Item C-30  
ATTACHMENT A**

**RENEWALS:**

- AcadeMir Charter School West
- Miami Community Charter High School
- South Florida Autism Charter School

**AMENDMENT:**

- Lincoln-Marti Charter School (Little Havana Campus)

The specifics of all four 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	Special Provisions and/or Requested Action(s)	2013 School Grade/ Rating	DISTRICT IMPACT 2013-2014 SY	
	Feeder Pattern	Initial/ Exp.	Current Year Maximum Capacity				Revenue (\$)/ Positions	Instr.
<b>RENEWALS</b>								
<b>AcadeMir Charter School West</b> <b>(High Performing)</b> ESP: Superior Charter School  <i>CRC recommended approval on April 14, 2014.</i>	14880 S.W. 26 Street Miami, Florida 33185	15 years	K-5	616	Approval of a renewed contract under Section 1002.331(3), F.S., <b>High-Performing Charter Schools</b> , to (i.) renew the contract for a 15-year term; (ii.) add grade six through grade eight; (iii.) increase enrollment capacity from 618 students to a maximum of 968 students; and (iv.) add an additional facility located at 14740 S.W. 26 <sup>th</sup> Street, Miami, Florida 33185; Folio No. 30-4916-048-0010, to house grade levels 6 <sup>th</sup> thru 8 <sup>th</sup> , commencing with the 2014-2015 school year.	A	\$1,605,626	
	G. Holmes Braddock Senior High	2014/ 2029	K-5	618			16	11

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	Feeder Pattern	Initial/Exp.	Current Year	Maximum Capacity			Revenue (\$)/Positions	Non-Instr.
<b>Miami Community Charter High School</b> ESP: None  <i>CRC recommended approval on April 23, 2014.</i>	18720 S.W. 352 Street Homestead, Florida 33034	5 years	9-12	204	Approval of a renewed contract with an Academic Corrective Action Plan, for a 5-year term commencing with the 2014-2015 school year and ending on June 30, 2019.	D	N/A – No increase in FTE.	
	Homestead Senior High	2014/2019	9-12	600				
<b>South Florida Autism Charter School</b> ESP: M-DCPS  <i>CRC recommended approval on April 23, 2014.</i>	13835 S.W. 97 Avenue Hialeah Gardens, Florida 33018	5 years	K-12	166	Approval of a renewed contract for: (1) a 5-year term, commencing with the 2014-2015 school year and ending on June 30, 2019; and (2) increase enrollment capacity such as: (a) maximum of 180 students for the 2014-2015 school year; (b) maximum of 207 students for the 2015-2016 school year; (c) maximum of 234 students for the 2016-2017 school year; (d) maximum of 270 students for the 2016-2017 school year; and (e) maximum of 300 students for the 2018-2019 school year.	NG	\$66,715	
	Barbara Goleman Senior High	2014/2019	K-12	180			1	1

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<b>TOTAL REVENUE (\$):</b>						<b>\$1,672,341</b>													
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<b>TOTAL POSITIONS:</b>						<b>29</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 (\$1,672,341), instructional staffing (17 positions), and non-instructional staffing (12 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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