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July 6, 2017

TO: The Honorable Chair and Members of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida

FROM: Alberto M. Carvalho, Superintendent of Schools 

SUBJECT: SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA ITEM D-69, SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF JULY 12, 2017

School Board Agenda Item D-69, scheduled for consideration on July 12, 2017, is being withdrawn for further review.

If you need additional information, please contact Mrs. Valtena G. Brown, Deputy Superintendent/Chief Operating Officer, School Operations, at 305 995-2938.

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SUBJECT: INITIAL READING: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SCHOOL BOARD POLICIES 5200, ATTENDANCE; 5511, STUDENT DRESS CODE AND UNIFORMS; 5610, SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION OF STUDENTS; 5845, STUDENT ACTIVITIES; AND 2260.01, SECTION 504 PROCEDURES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL SERVICES AND STUDENT/SCHOOL SUPPORT

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Consistent with the Board's statutory responsibility to periodically review and update its policies to conform to legislative changes and District practices, this item requests authorization for the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking to adopt proposed amendments to Board Policies 5200, *Attendance*; 5511, *Student Dress Code and Uniforms*; 5610, *Suspension and Expulsion of Students*; 5845, *Student Activities*; and 2260.01, *Section 504 Procedures for Students with Disabilities*.

The proposed amendments to the policies have been aligned with the most recently updated statutory requirements and to incorporate descriptions of the various types of Alternative Educational Settings (AESs) currently utilized by the District as alternatives to outdoor suspension.

Policy 5200, *Attendance*, is proposed to clarify that assignment to an Alternative Educational Setting is considered an excused absence for attendance purposes.

Policy 5511, *Student Dress Code and Uniforms*, is proposed to be amended to delete outdoor suspension as an option for dress code violations and to refer to the Code of Student Conduct for disciplinary action.

Policy 5610, *Suspension and Expulsion of Students*, is proposed to be amended to add an option to use Alternative Educational Settings as a disciplinary action.

Policy 5845, *Student Activities*, is proposed to be amended to specify that students assigned to Alternative Educational Settings are subject to rules governing interscholastic competitions and performances.

Policy 2260.01, *Section 504 Procedures for Students with Disabilities*, is proposed to be amended to include Alternative Educational Settings as a possible disciplinary action.

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(WITHDRAWN – 07/06/17)

Attached are the Notice of Intended Action and the proposed policy amendments. Changes from the current policy are indicated by underscoring words to be added and ~~striking through~~ words to be deleted.

Authorization of the Board is requested for the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings in accordance with the adoption of proposed amendments to Board Policies 5200, *Attendance*; 5511, *Student Dress Code and Uniforms*; 5610, *Suspension and Expulsion of Students*; 5845, *Student Activities*; and 2260.01, *Section 504 Procedures for Students with Disabilities*.

RECOMMENDED:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings to amend School Board Policies 5200, *Attendance*; 5511, *Student Dress Code and Uniforms*; 5610, *Suspension and Expulsion of Students*; 5845, *Student Activities*; and 2260.01, *Section 504 Procedures for Students with Disabilities*, to reflect current District practices with regard to assigning students to Alternative Educational Settings.