Office of School Board Members Board Meeting of February 21, 2018

Dr. Marta Pérez, Board Member

SUBJECT:

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

COMMITTEE:

FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY & GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

LINK TO STRATEGIC

BLUEPRINT:

SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS PRACTICES

School Board Policy 0153 – Appointees, sets forth the authority of the School Board Chair to appoint members "as necessary to organization, committees, and/or councils as required by law . . . or as desired by the Board." It is silent, however, on the mechanism or procedure required to properly implement the policy.

In an effort to foster transparency and avoid unnecessary misunderstandings that may arise, the policy should be revised to require a procedure that reflects the voice of the board as a whole in the decision-making process. This is common in school districts throughout the State of Florida. The procedures can vary and include practices such as:

A pre-determined rotational basis.

 Conducting an informal workshop either before or after the annual organization meeting to discuss appointments, re-appointments, vacancies or new appointments.

Prior to considering any recommendations for revisions to School Board Policy, the Board should meet in a workshop to discuss the potential options set forth in this item, as well as any other potential options that may be more suitable or appropriate.

This item has been reviewed and approved by the School Board Attorney's office as to form and legal sufficiency.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

DR. MARTA PÉREZ:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, conduct a workshop to discuss potential revisions to Board Policy 0153 – Appointees.