

Office of Superintendent of Schools
Board Meeting of May 20, 2020

May 5, 2020

Office of School Board Attorney
Walter J. Harvey, School Board Attorney

**SUBJECT: MIAMI-DADE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD v. Vally J. Bastien,
DOAH Case No. 19-6567TTS**

On November 20, 2019, the School Board took action to suspend without pay and initiate dismissal proceedings against Respondent Vally J. Bastien, ("Respondent"), a teacher, for just cause, including but not limited to misconduct in office and violation of School Board Policies 3210, *Standards of Ethical Conduct, 3210.01, Code of Ethics, and 3213, Student Supervision and Welfare* in accordance with §§ 1001.32(2), 1012.22(1)(f), 1012.33; 447.209, Fla. Stat., and State Board Rules 6A-5.056 and 6A-10.081, FAC.

The parties have entered into a tentative Settlement Agreement that provides for Respondent's reinstatement without back-pay. A copy of the Settlement Agreement will be provided to the School Board under separate cover. Administration is in agreement with the disposition of this matter in the manner indicated herein. Acceptance of the proposed Settlement Agreement is in the best interests of the School Board.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida approve the proposed Settlement Agreement in the case of Miami-Dade County School Board v. Vally Bastien, DOAH Case No. 19-6567, suspending Respondent without pay for the period of her suspension already served and reinstating her to her position as a teacher for the start of the 2020-2021 school year with the School Board under the conditions specified in the Settlement Agreement.

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