

Office of Superintendent of Schools
Board Meeting of October 11, 2023

September 27, 2023

Office of the General Counsel
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SUBJECT: MIAMI-DADE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD v. ADOLFO DIAZ
DOAH Case No. 23-2031TTS

On May 17, 2023, the School Board took action to suspend Respondent, Adolfo Diaz, without pay for thirty (30) workdays for 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, 102.67 and 447.209, Florida Statutes. The basis for the recommended disciplinary action resulted from Respondent improperly physically disciplining students. Respondent timely requested an administrative hearing before the Division of Administrative Hearings (“DOAH”).

Prior to the hearing, the parties reached a proposed settlement of the matter. The proposed settlement provides that the Respondent shall accept a twenty (20) day suspension without pay and will be issued backpay for ten (10) workdays. The settlement of this matter obviates the need for further litigation and is in the best interests of the Board. Administration is in agreement with the proposed settlement. A copy of the Settlement Agreement will be provided to the Board under separate cover.

RECOMMENDED: That the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida approve the proposed Settlement Agreement in the case of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida v. Adolfo Diaz, DOAH Case No. 23-2031TTS, suspending Respondent for twenty (20) workdays without pay and issuing him backpay for ten (10) workdays.

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