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**SUBJECT: BOARD POLICY 1010 - BOARD - SUPERINTENDENT
RELATIONSHIP**

COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL, STUDENT, SCHOOL & COMMUNITY SUPPORT

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
PLAN: EFFECTIVE & SUSTAINABLE OPERATIONAL PRACTICES**

The District prides itself by ensuring transparency, strengthening governance practices, and formalizing communication protocols between the Superintendent, School Board, District leadership, and external institutional partners when significant school-level changes are proposed or implemented.

Pursuant to Sections 1001.41, 1001.48, and 1001.49, Florida Statutes, the School Board serves as the governing body responsible for establishing policy and ensuring the proper operation of the school district, while the Superintendent serves as the executive officer responsible for implementing Board policy and advising the Board on matters affecting the District.

Recent discussions regarding a potential mid-year restructuring/realignment of a District-operated academic program located at a partner institution transpired without prior notification to the School Board, the Board Member representing the impacted school, or the partner institution. This lack of communication raises concerns regarding adherence to School Board Policy 1010, *Board–Superintendent Relationship* and School Board Policy 9500, *Relations with Educational Institutions and Organizations*.

A mid-year restructuring of a school program, particularly one involving a partnership, is a significant operational and educational change. The absence of timely communication to the School Board reflects a breakdown in governance protocols, risks undermining institutional trust, and may disrupt coordinated program delivery, student services, and shared resources.

This item directs the Superintendent to undertake a comprehensive review of all existing Board policies, administrative procedures, and operational, communication protocols governing notification and consultation with the School Board. This includes, but is not limited to mid-year restructuring initiatives, program relocations, modifications to partnerships or agreements, documentation, and memorialization of meetings (including minutes and recordings), and school-level organizational changes.

Where deficiencies or gaps are identified, the Superintendent shall initiate rulemaking and/or policy revisions as appropriate. The Superintendent shall also ensure timely and appropriate notification to the School Board, including, for situational awareness, the Board Member

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representing any affected school(s) or impacted areas of representation, provide a detailed briefing outlining the scope, rationale, and potential impact of proposed changes, and provide a timely opportunity for the Board to be informed and offer input consistent with its policy oversight role, without limiting the Superintendent's authority to implement operational decisions, and prepare and deliver a detailed presentation to the Board at the Personnel, Student, School & Community Support Committee meeting on May 6, 2026, summarizing findings, recommendations, and any proposed rule changes, and/or communication protocols.

This item has been reviewed and approved by the Office of General Counsel as to form and legal sufficiency.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
MS. MONICA COLUCCI:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida,
direct the Superintendent to:

1. Undertake a comprehensive review of all existing Board policies, administrative procedures, and operational, communication protocols governing notification and consultation with the School Board. This includes, but is not limited to mid-year restructuring initiatives, program relocations, modifications to partnerships or agreements, documentation, and memorialization of meetings (including minutes and recordings), and school-level organizational changes, and where deficiencies or gaps are identified, initiate rulemaking and/or policy revisions as appropriate;
2. Ensure timely and appropriate notification to the School Board, including, for situational awareness, the Board Member representing any affected school(s), or impacted areas of representation, regarding significant proposed changes, provide a detailed briefing outlining the scope, rationale, and potential impact, and provide a timely opportunity for the Board to be informed and offer input consistent with its policy oversight role, without limiting the Superintendent's authority to implement operational decisions; and
3. Prepare and deliver a detailed response to the Board at the Personnel, Student, School & Community Support Committee meeting on May 6, 2026, summarizing findings, recommendations, and if necessary, any proposed Board policy changes and/or communication protocols.