

Financial Services
Mr. Ron Y. Steiger, Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER TRAVEL (IN-STATE AND OUTSIDE OF THE STATE)

COMMITTEE: FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY & GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN: EFFECTIVE AND SUSTAINABLE OPERATIONAL PRACTICES

In order to allow reimbursement to School Board members from the district school fund, for travel expenses incurred in the exercise of their regular duties and responsibilities as Board members, section 1001.39, Florida Statutes (2018) states that “any travel outside the district that exceeds \$500 requires prior approval by the district school board to confirm that such travel is for official business of the school district and complies with rules of the State Board of Education.” Section 1001.39 also requires that: “Any request for travel outside the state must include an itemized list detailing all anticipated travel expenses, including, but not limited to, the anticipated costs of all means of travel, lodging, and subsistence.” These requirements took effect on July 1, 2019.

Accordingly, this item seeks approval by the Board of all travel by School Board members taken in the furtherance of official business of the school district during the 2026-2027 school year. The list of travel being sought for approval includes all anticipated Board member travel (both in-state and outside of the state) that requires approval pursuant to § 1001.39, Florida Statutes (e.g., out of district travel that exceeds \$500 and travel outside of the state). Not all Board Members will attend each event, this list is a compilation of every Board Member’s current travel plans for official business of the school district.

A copy of the list of anticipated travel by School Board members and the requisite itemization of associated costs will be on file and available for inspection by the public, in the office of the Board Recording Secretary, Room 924 and in the Citizen Information Center, Room 102, 1450 NE Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132.

As the fiscal year progresses, travel by School Board members that was unanticipated as of the date of this item or that was not previously scheduled will require Board approval at a subsequent Board meeting.

Conference/Event	Location
Advocacy - Washington DC	Washington, DC
Annual Green Schools Conference	Austin, TX
Association For Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) 2026	Orlando, FL

Conference/Event	Location
Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents - The Power of Us	Denver, CO
Center for Literacy and Learning -Plain Talk About Literacy and Learning	New Orleans, LA
CGCS 70 Annual Fall Conference	Boston, MA
CGCS Legislative and Policy Conference 2027	Washington, DC
CoSN 2027	Orlando, FL
COSSBA Federal Advocacy Conference	Washington, DC
COSSBA National Conference	Dallas, TX
2026 Council of Urban Boards of Education (CUBE) Annual Conference	Chicago, IL
Dade Days	Tallahassee, FL
EdSpaces	Kansas, MO
Education Agenda Board Retreat	TBD
ExcelinEd	Washington, DC
Florida PTA Leadership Convention	Orlando, FL
Florida's Future Billions Covering - Helios Education Foundation	TBD
FSBA 40h Annual Day in the Legislature	Tallahassee, FL
FSBA Board of Directors Meeting	Tampa, FL
FSBA/FADSS 81st Annual Joint Conference	Tampa, FL

Conference/Event	Location
Future of Education Technology (FETC 2027)	Orlando, FL
Georgetown Certificate in Education Finance - Edunomics @ Georgetown	Washington, DC
GFCSB 2026 - Legislative Platform	Tampa, FL
Harvard Graduate School of Education -Project Zero	Cambridge, MA
ISTELive Solutions Summit	Orlando, FL
Legislative Sessions/Meetings	Tallahassee, FL
The Management Center: Managing to Change the World	TBD
NALEO 43rd Annual Conference	Los Angeles, CA
National Summit on Education	Washington, DC
School Board Partners Conference	Atlanta, GA

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

- 1) approve the travel by Board members, as delineated in this item and as specified in the list of anticipated travel by School Board maintained in the Office of Citizen Information, which is incorporated herein by reference, for travel that exceeds \$500 and for all travel outside of the State of Florida;
- and 2) find that said travel by School Board members is for official business of the school district and complies with rules of the State Board of Education.

2026-2027 Anticipated Board Members' Travel with estimated cost - Agenda Item E-2 July 2026

Conference/Event	City	State	Mo./Yr.	Transp.	Hotel	Taxi/Tolls/Parking	Meals	Estimated Total	Days	GSA Hotel	GSA Meals
Advocacy - Washington DC	Washington	DC	TBD	\$350	\$1,100	\$100	\$348	\$1,898	4	\$275	\$87
Annual Green Schools Conference	Austin	TX	Feb-27	\$250	\$800	\$100	\$300	\$1,450	4	\$200	\$75
Association For Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) 2026	Orlando	FL	Jul-26	\$350	\$700	\$125	\$375	\$1,550	5	\$140	\$75
Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents - The Power of Us	Denver	CO	Oct-26	\$350	\$860	\$100	\$348	\$1,658	4	\$215	\$87
Center for Literacy and Learning -Plain Talk About Literacy and Learning	New Orleans	LA	Mar-27	\$350	\$895	\$125	\$375	\$1,745	5	\$179	\$75
CGCS 70 Annual Fall Conference	Boston	MA	Oct-26	\$350	\$1,745	\$125	\$435	\$2,655	5	\$349	\$87
CGCS Legislative and Policy Conference 2027	Washington	DC	Mar-27	\$350	\$1,380	\$125	\$435	\$2,290	5	\$276	\$87
CoSN 2027	Orlando	FL	Apr-27	\$250	\$420	\$75	\$225	\$970	3	\$140	\$75
COSSBA Federal Advocacy Conference	Washington	DC	Sep-26	\$350	\$1,100	\$100	\$348	\$1,898	4	\$275	\$87
COSSBA National Conference	Dallas	TX	Mar-27	\$300	\$764	\$100	\$300	\$1,464	4	\$191	\$75
2026 Council of Urban Boards of Education (CUBE) Annual Conference	Chicago	IL	Oct-26	\$350	\$892	\$100	\$348	\$1,690	4	223	87
Dade Days	Tallahassee	FL	Feb-26	\$300	\$567	\$75	\$225	\$1,167	3	\$189	\$75
EdSpaces	Kansas	MO	Oct-26	\$300	\$540	\$100	\$300	\$1,240	4	135	75
Education Agenda Board Retreat	TBD	TBD	TBD	\$250	\$845	\$125	\$375	\$1,595	5	\$169	\$75
ExcelinEd	Washington	DC	Dec-26	\$350	\$784	\$100	\$348	\$1,582	4	196	87

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Florida PTA Leadership Convention	Orlando	FL	Jul-26	\$250	\$560	\$100	\$300	\$1,210	4	\$140	\$75
Florida's Future Billions Covering - Helios Education Foundation	TBD	TBD	Mar-27	\$350	\$1,370	\$125	\$395	\$2,240	5	\$274	\$79
FSBA 40h Annual Day in the Legislature	Tallahassee	FL	Mar-27	\$300	\$567	\$75	\$225	\$1,167	3	\$189	\$75
FSBA Board of Directors Meeting	Tampa	FL	TBD	\$250	\$444	\$75	\$225	\$994	3	\$148	\$75
FSBA/FADSS 81st Annual Joint Conference	Tampa	FL	Dec-26	\$250	\$444	\$75	\$225	\$994	3	\$148	\$75
Future of Education Technology (FETC 2027)	Orlando	FL	Jan-27	\$250	\$507	\$75	\$225	\$1,057	3	\$169	\$75
Georgetown Certificate in Education Finance - Edunomics @ Georgetown	Washington	DC	Feb-27	\$350	\$784	\$100	\$348	\$1,582	4	\$196	\$87
GFCSB 2026 - Legislative Platform	Tampa	FL	TBD	\$250	\$444	\$75	\$225	\$994	3	\$148	\$75
Harvard Graduate School of Education -Project Zero	Cambridge	MA	Jun-27	\$350	\$1,164	\$100	\$348	\$1,962	4	\$291	\$87
ISTELive Solutions Summit	Orlando	FL	June	\$250	\$280	\$50	\$150	\$730	2	140	75
Legislative Sessions/Meetings	Tallahassee	FL	TBD	\$300	\$567	\$75	\$225	\$1,167	3	\$189	\$75
The Management Center: Managing to Change the World	TBD	TBD	TBD	\$350	\$700	\$125	\$375	\$1,550	5	\$140	\$75
NALEO 43rd Annual Conference	Los Angeles	CA	TBD	\$350	\$764	\$100	\$324	\$1,538	4	\$191	\$81
National Summit on Education	Washington	DC	TBD	\$350	\$732	\$100	\$348	\$1,530	4	\$183	\$87
School Board Partners Conference	Atlanta	GA	TBD	\$250	\$728	\$100	\$324	\$1,402	4	\$182	\$81