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SUBJECT: **INITIAL READING: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO BOARD
POLICY 9800, CHARTER SCHOOLS**

COMMITTEE: **PERSONNEL SERVICES AND STUDENT AND SCHOOL SUPPORT**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
BLUEPRINT:** **RELEVANT, RIGOROUS AND INNOVATIVE ACADEMICS**

This item is submitted for consideration by the Board to amend Board Policy 9800, *Charter Schools*, to reflect (1) best practices that are aligned with national and state core principles of charter authorizing that include maintaining high standards for schools, upholding charter school autonomy, and protecting student and public interest; (2) alignment to the Board's strategic plan and school choice goals relative to educational equity and access; and (3) clarification of current laws, practices or processes. Revisions include, but are not limited to: the implementation of a performance framework and differentiated accountability system; the option to explore needs-based authorizing through a competitive solicitation process; clarification for articulation agreements, funds transfers, required audited financial statements, processes for determining enrollment capacity and projections, and enrollment lottery and wait list requirements.

Attached are the Notice of Intended Action and the proposed amended policy. Changes from the current policy are indicated by underscoring words to be added and ~~striking through~~ words to be deleted.

Authorization of the Board is requested for the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to amend Board Policy 9800, *Charter Schools*.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to amend Board Policy 9800, *Charter Schools*.

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