

**AGENDA REQUEST FORM
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Meeting Date 11/09/10	Open Agenda ___ Yes ___ X No	Time Certain Request ___ Yes ___ X No	Agenda Item Number F- 19
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TITLE: Deny the Charter School Application of The Hilda Vila Foundation, Inc. (Hilda Vila)

REQUESTED ACTION: Deny the Charter School Application of The Hilda Vila Foundation, Inc. (Hilda Vila) for the opening of a charter school for the 2011-2012 school year.

SUMMARY EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND: Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes authorizes the establishment of charter schools in Florida. An application for a new charter school may be made by an individual, teachers, parents, a group of individuals, a municipality or a legal entity organized under the laws of this state The Hilda Vila Foundation, Inc. (Hilda Vila) submitted a formal application to start a public charter school for the 2011-2012 school year. A district School Board may sponsor a charter school in the county over which the board has jurisdiction. The district School Board shall receive and review all applications for a charter school.

The Superintendent of Schools appointed a Charter School Review Committee to review and analyze the charter application from The Hilda Vila Foundation, Inc. (Hilda Vila). The Committee is comprised of representatives from curriculum, budget, facilities, district administration, transportation, Exceptional Student Education, ESOL and other areas of the organization. Utilizing the new Model Florida Charter School Application format, the committee reviewed the application in detail. Having reviewed The Hilda Vila Foundation, Inc. (Hilda Vila) application and all other applications submitted, the Committee recommends the denial of the school's charter school application. The Superintendent has received the Committee's recommendation and requests that The School Board of Broward County, Florida deny the application of The Hilda Vila Foundation, Inc. (Hilda Vila). The grounds of the denial of the charter school application are specified in the attached executive summary.

A copy of the full application is available at the Board Members' Office on the 14th Floor of KC Wright building.

SCHOOL BOARD GOALS:

- ___•Goal One: Raise achievement of all students to ensure graduation from high school and readiness for post-secondary education.
- ___•Goal Two: Improve the health and wellness of students and personnel.
- X•Goal Three: Provide a safe and secure physical and technological environment for all students and employees.
- X•Goal Four: Promote innovation which focuses on best practices and quality efforts that improve our best-in-class position.
- ___•Goal Five: Recruit, develop, retain, and recognize high performing and diverse faculty and personnel.
- ___•Goal Six: Build strong partnerships with family, business, community and government at the classroom, school, area, and district level.
- ___•Goal Seven: Ensure district's leadership as an environmental steward through innovative ecology and energy conservation programs.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: There is no financial impact to the district.

EXHIBITS: (List)

- Executive Summary
- The Hilda Vila Foundation, Inc. (Hilda Vila) application

BOARD ACTION: APPROVED	SOURCE OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Leslie Brown Phone 754-321-2130 Jody Perry 754-321-2135
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THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA
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Educational Programs & Student Support

Approved in Open Board Meeting on: NOV 09 2010

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