

Dr. Martin Karp, School Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 12-003
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,
FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING HIRE GOOD, INC. FOR AN
OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY
ENGAGEMENT**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
FRAMEWORK: STUDENT, PARENT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Hire Good is a non-profit corporation, public charity that provides connections in community service to high school students in Miami-Dade County. The web-based service is student conceived, managed and facilitated. Hire Good offers a comprehensive database of community organizations and their volunteer requirements, giving students all the information necessary to choose those that best fit their interests and talents. Hire Good is by students and for students, but also for parents and schools as well. The Hire Good "Brain Trust" is currently comprised of five students: four seniors from SAS Wolfson and one sophomore from MAST Academy.

Basically, Hire Good, www.hiregood.org, is envisioned as the "go to" site for high school volunteers. In addition to this database resource, the site also includes a Calendar feature. This offers organizations a place to promote special events, volunteer orientations and "one-off," episodic volunteer opportunities.

An additional component of the website will be the ability to log student hours online and eventually to have those hours available on the kids' student profiles on www.dadeschools.net. Hire Good has contracted with a respected volunteer data management company to initiate this feature. Hire Good is already up on the Social Services website and should be linked through both the Parent and Student portals on www.dadeschools.net very soon.

While Hire Good is a "newcomer" to Miami-Dade County, having been conceptualized in May 2011, the organization makes a timely entrance into the community since other volunteer programs have recently been dissolved. Hire Good is created, motivated and implemented by students and it provides an essential link between the students, the community organizations and the school personnel. As the process for service learning is streamlined, the core values and spirit of volunteerism will be fostered. It is the underlying belief that by making it easier for students to volunteer, they will volunteer more often and their hearts will follow their heads. Miami-Dade County Public Schools commends the entire Hire Good team for supporting our students and facilitating community involvement and volunteering throughout our county's high schools.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
DR. MARTIN KARP:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida approve Resolution No. 12-003 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida recognizing Hire Good, Inc. for an outstanding contribution to the community.

**RESOLUTION NO. 12-003
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING HIRE GOOD, INC. FOR AN
OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY**

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County Public Schools requires high school students to fulfill 75 hours of community service in order to graduate and the State of Florida requires 100 hours of community service in order to be eligible for the Bright Futures Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Hire Good is to provide the students of Miami-Dade County Public Schools with connections in community service through its website: www.hiregood.org; and

WHEREAS, Hire Good is a student conceived, managed and facilitated organization; and

WHEREAS, Hire Good offers community partners a complimentary venue to reach potential high school volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the Hire Good website also features a calendar that promotes individual events for short-term or supplementary volunteer opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Hire Good has been linked to Miami-Dade County Public Schools through internal communication and on www.dadeschools.net; and

WHEREAS, Hire Good has contracted a respected volunteer data management company to implement the simple digital transfer of students' volunteer records; and

WHEREAS, Hire Good, by streamlining the volunteer process makes it easier for students to engage in community service, thereby fostering the spirit of volunteerism and community involvement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 12-003 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Hire Good, Inc. for an outstanding contribution to the community.

Presented this eighteenth day of January, A.D. 2012

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary