2017 INNOVATIVE IDEAS/MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS Facility Planning and Real Estate Department

NO.	INNOVATIVE IDEAS/MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS	BRIEF DESCRIPTION	DATE IMPLEMENTED	BENEFIT TO DISTRICT
1	Sale of School Board Owned Surplus Property	In 2016, the School District advertised five (5) surplus properties for sale. Thereafter, the District received bids above the advertised sale prices for four (4) of the properties; but did not receive bids for the fifth property which has being readvertised for sale. Most importantly, the District successfully closed on two (2) of the properties in 2017. The properties were the Rock Island Acreage (7.29 acres) located in the City of Fort Lauderdale, and the New River Circle site (10.4 acre) located in the City of Sunrise. The former was sold to the Broward County Commission, and the latter to the City of Sunrise.	Closed on the Rock Island Acreage on 9/29/17; Closed on the New River Acreage on	The Rock Island Acreage was sold for \$3,130,000; which was \$213,000 above the advertised sale prize (minus closing cost, the District realized \$3,124,700); and the New River Circle site was sold for \$2,910,333, there were no closing cost associated with this sale.
2	Tri-Party Educational Mitigation Agreement – City of Fort Lauderdale Regional Activity Center	In 2014, the City allocated an additional 5,000 multi-family residential units (which was requested by the Broward County Planning Council to be reviewed as all mid-rise) within the Regional Activity Center (RAC) boundary via Land Use Plan Amendment PCT 15-1. Review of the application based on the effective student generation rates, indicated that the additional units (mid-rise) were anticipated to generate 230 additional students (135 elementary, 55 middle, and 40 high) into Broward County Public Schools. The City envisions that 70% of the units will be developed as high-rise units, and 30% as mid-rise units.	3/28/2017	In addition to the possibility of proffer of proportionate mitigation at plat or site plan stage, the Amended Agreement would result in an anticipated school impact fee amount of \$2,851,000 to the District. Also, once the 5,000 additional units are completed, the District is anticipated to gain additional revenue in the form of recurring property tax.
3	Tri-Party Educational Mitigation Agreement – City of Pembroke Pines Local Activity Center	In 2015, the City of Pembroke Pines allocated an additional 476 multi-family residential (450 garden apartment and 26 high-rise) units within the Local Activity Center (LAC) via LUPA PCT 16-2. Review of the application based on the effective student generation rates, indicated that the additional units were anticipated to generate a maximum of 193 additional students (87 elementary, 51 middle, and 55 high school) into Broward County Public Schools.	6/6/2017	Due to the voluntary mitigation commitment agreed upon by the City, the District would gain an estimated \$561,223 above the school impact fee due regarding development of the units. Additionally, the District is anticipated to gain additional revenue in the form of recurring property tax once the units are completed.
4	Award of Funding for Safe Routes to Schools	Safe Routes to Schools (SRTS) is a national program that provides grant funding for transportation improvements within two miles of a school site to enhance pedestrian safety for students who walk and bike to school. The grant is competitive and all proposals within the State of Florida competed for the annual allocation of 7 million dollars in Fiscal Year (FY) 2016/17.	12/31/2016	Through the appointment of Facility Planning & Real Estate (FP&RE) Department staff on the Broward Metropolitan Organization's Technical Advisory Group, Department staff learned of a funding opportunity and sought a partnership with the City of Hallandale Beach to take advantage of the SRTS grant. For the first time in several years, District staff actively participated with City staff to propose a project to compete for this grant money in FY 2016/17 and was successful in securing \$394,749 for bike lanes and sidewalk improvements to benefit the students of Gulfstream Academy and Hallandale High School. This major accomplishment supports the intergovernmental coordination function of the FP&RE Department.