5 Moves Miami Should Make

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Free agency is less than two weeks away, I've read a lot of opinions (on our forum) and a lot of what the writers have said. Obviously some of my suggestions are filled with assumption. This is what I've come up with after digesting everyone else's opinion.

1. Overpay Mike Wallace - Not exactly original, but Miami has to avoid another Clyde Gates scenario by being cheap in the draft. Wallace is 26, lightning fast, has the same drop rate as Hartline (dispels butterfinger myth), by all reports is a good teammate (dispels disruptive diva myth) and gives Miami the one thing they've been missing for years. Ireland is under short and long term pressure to win, Wallace helps with both.

2. Sign Dwight Freeney - But the draft is so DE rich? All I've read lately is how inflated the values of some of these guys are. You sign Freeney and you instantly make the pass rush better. You let Odrick move to a more natural DT position and you buy yourself at least another season to see what you have in Vernon. If BPA at 12 is a DE then draft him and have an awesome rotation of pass rushers with both veteran and youthful insurance at the position.

3. Trade for Miles Austin - I think Hartline is gone. Even worse I think he's a Patriot for the next 3-4 seasons. If Dallas has to cut Austin they get nothing in return. His contract has no guaranteed money. You call up Jerry, tell him to do what has to do to get under the cap and you will send him a 4th round pick at 5pm on March 12th. You get your #2 receiver for no guaranteed contract and a track record of production. Former ACORN!!!

4. Sign Dustin Keller - I know there is an injury concern but that might actually make him more affordable. I'm assuming Cook is franchised, Finley is still a Packer, Walker is still a 49er and Davis' injury was really bad. Signing Keller gives you an experienced seem threat and weakens a division rival. He also doesn't make you overdraft a TE...again. For what its worth you can still see if Egnew really turns it around without the pressure of starting.

5. Re-sign Anthony Fasano - Give him the H-Back role, continue to use him in Red Zone situations and maintain his locker room leadership. I don't think he'll have a big market and with a TE rich draft his best chance to succeed might be staying in Miami.

I realize what I've proposed doesn't solve everything, heck not even half of what needs to be done. But we can't act like this is Madden football and Miami is the only team shopping. There will only be a certain amount of moves they get done and these five are the ones I'm hoping they have in place by a few days into FA. Yes the Austin move could be tough, but there is a history between Austin, Ireland, Dallas and Miami. Its time to be bold and I think this formula gets Miami in position to win a few more games.

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