

Office of the Superintendent of Schools  
Board Meeting of January 13, 1999

January 8, 1999

Facilities Planning and Construction  
Paul J. Phillips, Chief Facilities Officer

**SUBJECT: TERMINATION OF CONTRACT WITH CONSOLIDATED BUILDERS  
ENTERPRISES, INC.  
PROJECT NO. A-0522  
NATHAN YOUNG ELEMENTARY  
14120 N.W. 24 AVENUE, OPA-LOCKA, FLORIDA**

At its meeting of May 7, 1997, the Board awarded the construction contract for additions, remodeling and renovations at Nathan Young Elementary School to Consolidated Builders Enterprises, Inc. for the amount of \$2,260,900. The current adjusted contract completion date is July 1, 1998 and has passed without the contractor completing any of the phases of the project.

The contractor was placed in default on December 17, 1998 for reasons which included failure to make payment to subcontractors for labor or materials, failure to correct work rejected by A/E or failing to conform to the requirements of the construction documents, failure to submit schedules, failure to employ a competent superintendent and failure to provide security to protect the work from unauthorized entry, vandalism or theft. The default demanded that the contractor and the contractor's bonding company cure or commence to cure the default items in accordance with the contract documents.

The contractor has failed to cure the items of default and that in fact the project has been virtually abandoned by the contractor since November 30, 1998. Staff recommends, in concurrence with the certification from the project architect, that the Board terminate the above-noted contract and authorize the Superintendent to make demand upon the Surety to take charge of and complete the work.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

1. terminate the contract with Consolidated Builders Enterprises, Inc., Project No. A-0522, Nathan Young Elementary; and
2. authorize the Superintendent to make demand upon the Surety in accordance with the contract and bond to complete the work.

JWP/lw

**REPLACEMENT  
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