

June 9, 1999

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

**SUBJECT: TERMINATE THE AGREEMENT WITH BELLON & TAYLOR ARCHITECTS, INC. AS A/E FOR THE ADDITIONS, REMODELING AND RENOVATIONS PROJECT AT NORTH TWIN LAKES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
PROJECT # A-0415**

The firm of Bellon & Taylor Architects, Inc. was commissioned by the Board on April 22, 1992 as A/E for the additions, remodeling and renovations project at North Twin Lakes Elementary School. The project is currently in Phase III (constructions documents) stage.

The A/E has been placed on notice on several occasions cautioning them that their poor performance will jeopardize the timely completion of this project. The A/E failed to respond to the latest notice of March 15, 1999, and has never submitted 100% phase III documents which are in excess of one year late.

Upon extensive review of the progress of the work to date and current circumstances, staff determined that it would be in the Board's best interest to terminate the agreement with the firm of Bellon & Taylor Architects, Inc., with cause, in accordance with Article XII(A), effective June 23, 1999, and the work be advertised and executed utilizing a design-build approach.

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

- 1) terminate the agreement with the firm of Bellon & Taylor Architects, Inc. as A/E at North Twin Lakes Elementary School, with cause, effective June 23, 1999, and
- 2) authorize staff to advertise the project for design-build services.

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