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Education  
Joseph H. Mathos, Deputy Superintendent

**SUBJECT:** AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS (M-DCPS) AND MIAMI-DADE COMMUNITY COLLEGE (M-DCC), AS COGRANTEES, TO EFFECT AN OPERATIONAL AGREEMENT FOR:

1. FISCAL MANAGEMENT OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION (EDA) GRANT AWARD FOR THE HOMESTEAD AVIATION PROJECT, NO. 04-49-04021, IN WHICH THE GRANT FUNDS OF \$2,812,500 ARE DIVIDED EQUALLY BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES; AND
2. FISCAL MANAGEMENT OF THE GRANT AWARD FOR THE HURRICANE ANDREW RECOVERY TRUST FUNDS AGREEMENT, NO. 95 E0-3-M-11-23-03-047, IN WHICH THE GRANT FUNDS OF \$990,000 ARE DIVIDED EQUALLY BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES

**STRATEGIC PLANNING GOAL: II - STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT/PREPARATION FOR POST SECONDARY EXPERIENCES**

At its meeting of September 9, 1998, the School Board authorized the Superintendent to submit a reapplication, in collaboration with Miami-Dade Community College, to the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration for an aviation program in south Miami-Dade County (the Homestead Aviation Project, #04-49-04021) in the sum of \$2,812,500. The EDA grant award required matching funding which the college and the school district obtained through the Florida Department of Community Affairs Hurricane Andrew Recovery Trust Grant Funds under Agreement No. 95 E0-3-M-11-23-03-047 in the amount of \$990,000. As cograntees of the funds, it will be necessary for the school district and the community college to execute a memorandum of understanding for the fiscal management of the funds.

The EDA has agreed to amend the project to transfer the grant from Miami-Dade County to M-DCPS and M-DCC as cograntees. The community college will accept the role as fiscal manager of the joint EDA grant. The school district is the fiscal manager of the joint Hurricane Andrew Recovery Trust Grant Funds. Approval of the memorandum of understanding will allow each institution to pursue independently the development of their phase of the project, including separate accounting systems. It is the responsibility of M-DCPS and M-DCC to divide each award in equal amounts and to enter into a memorandum of understanding to implement the project.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to enter into a memorandum of understanding between Miami-Dade County Public Schools and Miami-Dade Community College, as cograntees, to effect an operational agreement for:

1. fiscal management of the Economic Development Administration (EDA) grant award for the Homestead Aviation Project No. 04-49-04021, in which the grant funds of \$2,812,500 are divided equally between the two parties; and
2. fiscal management of the grant award for the Hurricane Andrew Recovery Trust Funds Agreement, No. 95 E0-3-M-11-23-03-047, in which the grant funds of \$990,000 are divided equally between the two parties.

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