

Education
Joseph H. Mathos, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENTS WITH FAMILY CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$35,152, YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$64,428, AND YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,920, FOR A TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED \$110,500, TO PROVIDE AFTER-SCHOOL CARE SERVICES FOR PREKINDERGARTEN EARLY INTERVENTION STUDENTS, FROM MARCH 15, 2001 THROUGH JUNE 13, 2001

The 1999 School Readiness Act requires early-care and education programs to collect fees based on a sliding scale. Local coalitions are responsible for determining how the fees are to be used in order to enhance or increase services.

The Miami-Dade County Local School Readiness Coalition has determined to use fees collected through the public schools to provide after-school care for Prekindergarten Early Intervention students. Authorization is requested to enter into contractual agreements with Family Christian Association of America (FCAA) Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA), and Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA) to provide after-school care services to Prekindergarten Early Intervention students at 50 elementary schools. The agencies currently provide these services at school sites. After-school care services will also be provided for at least 275 Prekindergarten Early Intervention students through the community school or principal operated programs at 42 school sites.

The contractual agreements with the aforementioned agencies will provide after-school care for prekindergarten children as follows:

- FCAA: at least 104 children at a cost not to exceed \$35,152;
- YMCA: at least 177 children at a cost not to exceed \$64,428; and
- YWCA: at least 30 children at a cost not to exceed \$10,920.

The total cost of the three contractual agreements will not exceed \$110,500.

The Professional Services Contract Committee established by School Board Rule 6Gx13-3F-1.021 reviewed this item on February 23, 2001, and recommended that an exception to the rule be made on the basis of specific expertise unique to these vendors.

Mr. Herman Williams is the President of the Family Christian Association of America; Mr. John Turner is the President of the Young Men's Christian Association; and Ms. Eileen Maloney-Simon is the President of the Young Women's Christian Association.

The appropriation for this item is included in the General Fund of the 2000-2001 Adopted Budget under Fund 0100, Function 4000, Program 8729, Object 4472, Location 9613.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to:

1. enter into contractual agreements with Family Christian Association of America, in an amount not to exceed \$35,152; Young Men's Christian Association, in an amount not to exceed \$64,428; and Young Women's Christian Association, in an amount not to exceed \$10,920, for a total cost not to exceed \$110,500, to provide after-school care for prekindergarten children, from March 15, 2001 through June 13, 2001; and
2. grant an exception to School Board Rule 6Gx13- 3F-1.021.

The appropriation for this item is included in the General Fund of the 2000-2001 Adopted Budget.

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