

Financial Affairs  
Richard H. Hinds, Chief Financial Officer

**SUBJECT: AWARD BID NO. 081-AA06 – ART EQUIPMENT I**

The purpose of this bid, opened on January 18, 2001, is to establish a contract, to purchase, at firm unit prices, quantities, as may be required, of art equipment for various locations. This is a term bid which states that the Board may purchase quantities, as may be required, at the unit price bid, but is not obligated to purchase any guaranteed amount. Of 46 vendors sent bid forms or card notices of this advertised bid, 13 responded, with 10 bids meeting specifications (not all vendors bid all items), 1 non-responsive bid (vendor refused to comply with warranty requirements), and 2 no bids.

Inasmuch as the low bids for Item 16 – Pottery tools, do not meet specifications, and the third low bid is considered excessive under current market conditions, the recommendation reflects that all bids received for this item be rejected. Competitive prices will be solicited for this item, as the need arises, pursuant to Board Rule 6Gx13- 3C-1.111 - - Bidding Process - - Competitive Bidding Requirements, which describes the procedures and guidelines to be used for bidding based on the estimated dollar expenditure.

Inasmuch as all bids received for Item 11 – Etching press, 16" x 32" x 1/4" and Item 12 – Etching press, 13" x 26" x 1/3", are considered excessive under current market conditions, the recommendation reflects that all bids received for these items be rejected. Competitive prices will be solicited for these items, as the need arises, pursuant to Board Rule 6Gx13- 3C-1.111 - - Bidding Process - - Competitive Bidding Requirements, which describes the procedures and guidelines to be used for bidding based on the estimated dollar expenditure.

Fund Source  
0100 - General

M/WBE Eligibility  
Hispanic Female - \$15,328.92  
Female - \$25,714

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, **AWARD** Bid No. 081-AA06 – ART EQUIPMENT I, to purchase, at firm unit prices, quantities, as may be required, of art equipment for various locations, during the term of the bid, effective, March 15, 2001, through March 14, 2002, as follows:

1. AFP INDUSTRIES, INC.  
4436 S.W. 74 AVENUE  
MIAMI, FL 33155 ESTIMATE \$15,328.92  
OWNER: VIVIAN C. CASTELLANOS, PRESIDENT (HF)

Low Unit Price: Items 7 and 8.

Low Unit Price Meeting Specifications: Item 9.

Item 7 – Aluminum easel @ \$59.88 each.

Item 8 – Service cart @ \$128 each.

Item 9 – Heavy-duty drying rack @ \$858 each.

2. AXNER COMPANY, INC.  
490 KANE COURT  
OVIEDO, FL 32765 ESTIMATE \$6,540  
OWNER: HOWARD AXNER, PRESIDENT

Low Unit Price: Items 14 and 15.

Item 14 – Potter's wheel, 14" @ \$751 each.

Item 15 – Potter's wheel, 12" @ \$678 each.

3. MIDWEST SHOP SUPPLIES, INC.  
D.B.A. MIDWEST TECHNOLOGY PRODUCTS AND  
SERVICES  
P.O. BOX 3717  
SIOUX CITY, IA 51102 ESTIMATE \$25,714  
OWNER: LINDA A. FLOM, C.E.O. (WF)

Low Unit Price: Item 6 – Work bench @ \$989 each.

4. NASCO  
901 JANESVILLE AVENUE  
FORT ATKINSON, WI 53538 ESTIMATE \$861  
OWNER: GENEVE CORPORATION

Low Unit Price: Item 17 - Wedging board @ \$123 each.

5. SAX ARTS AND CRAFTS  
P.O. BOX 510710  
NEW BERLIN, WI 53151 ESTIMATE \$62,872.50  
OWNER: RICHARD H. NAGEL, EXECUTIVE VICE  
PRESIDENT OF SCHOOL SPECIALTY FOR SAX  
ARTS AND CRAFTS

Low Unit Price: Items 3, 3A, 3B, 4, 5 and 13.

- Item 3 – Art and planning table (12+) @ \$360 each.  
Item 3A – Art and planning table (4-11) @ \$371.50  
each.  
Item 3B – Art and planning table (1-3) @ \$393.50 each.  
Item 4 – Art and planning table @ \$520 each.  
Item 5 – Drafting table @ \$215 each.  
Item 13 – Slab roller @ \$1,350 each.

6. SCHOOL SPECIALTY  
FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT DIVISION  
100 PARAGON PARKWAY  
MANSFIELD, OH 44903 ESTIMATE \$23,219.50  
OWNER: DANIEL P. SPALDING, CHAIRMAN/C.E.O.

Low Unit Price Meeting Specifications: Item 10.  
Total Low Unit Price: Items 1 and 2.

- Item 1 – Portable art gallery @ \$1,317.81 each.  
Item 2 – Portable art gallery @ \$492.81 each.  
Item 10 – Heavy-duty drying rack @ \$1,411.54 each.

7. WINDTREE ENTERPRISES, INC.  
P.O. BOX 810700  
BOCA RATON, FL 33481-0700 ESTIMATE \$553  
OWNER: LESLIE B. FRANKEL, PRESIDENT

Only Bid Received: Item 18 – Waxmelter @ \$79 each.

8. Reject Items 11, 12 and 16.

- Item 11 – Etching press, 16" x 32" x 1/4".  
Item 12 – Etching press, 13" x 26" x 1/3".  
Item 16 – Pottery tools.

9. Authorize the Bureau of Procurement and Materials Management to purchase up to the total estimated amount of \$135,088.92.

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