

Financial Affairs  
Richard H. Hinds, Chief Financial Officer

**SUBJECT: PARTIAL AWARD BID NO. 129-AA02 – LAWN EQUIPMENT, POWER**

The purpose of this bid, opened on March 20, 2001, is to establish a contract, to purchase, at firm unit prices, quantities, as may be required, of power lawn 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 41 vendors sent bid forms or card notices of this advertised bid, 10 responded, with 10 bids meeting specifications (includes 2 bids meeting individual item specifications, but not all item specifications).

Identical prices were submitted on Item 6 – Power mower, by Best Equipment and Repair, Inc., of Miami, Florida, and Richard's Tractor, of Homestead, Florida. The recommendation reflects the award of this tie low bid item to Best Equipment and Repair, Inc., the vendor, who because of lower prices, receives a larger dollar award for other items, pursuant to Board Rule 6Gx13- 3C-1.061 – Identical Prices – Priorities For Award.

Item 4 – Monofilament trimmer, is being held for evaluation and is scheduled for recommendation of award at the Board meeting of August 22, 2001.

Fund Source  
Various

M/WBE Eligibility  
Female - \$29,660

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, **AWARD** Bid No. 129-AA02 – LAWN EQUIPMENT, POWER, to purchase, at firm unit prices, quantities, as may be required, of power lawn equipment, for various locations, during the term of the bid, effective July 14, 2001, through July 13, 2002, as follows:

1. AL'S LAWN MOWER SALES AND SERVICE, INC.  
18131 S.W. 98 AVENUE ROAD  
MIAMI, FL 33157 ESTIMATE \$29,660  
OWNER: JOYCE MASSO, SECRETARY/TREASURER (WF)

Low Unit Price: Items 7A and 7B.

Item 7A – Riding mower with 44" Deck @ \$2,876 each.  
Item 7B – Riding mower with 52" Deck @ \$3,056 each.

2. BEST EQUIPMENT AND REPAIR, INC.  
12390 S.W. 131 AVENUE  
MIAMI, FL 33186 ESTIMATE \$93,345  
OWNER: LANCE COOPER, PRESIDENT

Tie Low Unit Price: Item 6.

Low Unit Price: Items 1 and 5.

Item 1 – Power edger @ \$253 each.  
Item 5 – Riding mower, 30" cut @ \$1,183 each.  
Item 6 – Power mower/non self-propelled @ \$239 each.

3. JOE BLAIR GARDEN SUPPLY, INC.  
320 N.E. 79 STREET  
MIAMI, FL 33138 ESTIMATE \$21,537  
OWNER: JOHN BAXTER, PRESIDENT

Low Unit Price: Item 2.

Low Unit Price Meeting Specifications: Item 3.

Item 2 – Hedge trimmer, 30" cut @ \$245 each.  
Item 3 – Hand-held leaf blower @ \$211.95 each.

4. Authorize the Bureau of Procurement and Materials Management to purchase up to the total estimated amount of \$144,542.

RHH/lja