

October 19, 2001

**Facilities Planning and Construction**

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**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH E-BUILDER TO UTILIZE THE TEAMBUILDER® INTERNET APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING APPLICATION SERVICE PROVIDER (ASP) SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$38,434 FROM OCTOBER 24, 2001 TO MARCH 24, 2003.**

Authorization is requested for the Superintendent or his designee to enter into a contractual agreement with E-Builder to utilize the TeamBuilder® Internet application and supporting Application Service Provider (ASP) services for construction claims control and project management. The proposed contract is for a pilot project to investigate the use of collaborative Internet tools and applications as a management tool for the Board's construction program. This technology has the potential to greatly enhance and expedite existing conventional methods of communication and coordination between construction project team members, providing information and document sharing, progress tracking, and records/document capture and retrieval. This methodology is also expected to result in reduced claims and litigation expenses and to reduce costs in other areas, such as printing, copying, and delivery. This contract is to be used in connection with the construction of the new elementary school, State School "C".

The Professional Services Contract Committee, established by School Board Rule 6Gx13-3F-1.021, reviewed this contractual agreement on October 5, 2001 and recommended that an exception to the rule regarding bids or Request for Proposals be granted as otherwise determined by the Committee. This contract for \$38,434 coincides with the construction contract commencement and duration of the State School "C" construction contract.

The appropriation of this item is included in the Capital Budget of the 2001-2002 Adopted Budget under Fund 0392, Function 7400, Program 2788, Object 5630, Location 0091.

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

1. authorize the Superintendent or his designee to enter into a contractual agreement with E-Builder to utilize the TeamBuilder® Internet application and supporting Application Service Provider (ASP) services in an amount not to exceed \$38,434 from October 24, 2001 to March 24, 2003; and
2. grant an exception to School Board Rule 6Gx13-3F-1.021.

The appropriation for this item is included in the Capital Budget of the 2001-2002 Adopted Budget. ] **REVISED**

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