

Education
Joseph H. Mathos, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH CROOK CONSULTING GROUP (ROBERT CROOK), TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL LIAISON SUPPORT FOR THE ONE COMMUNITY ONE GOAL®, SOUTH FLORIDA ANNENBERG CHALLENGE GRANT FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY/TELECOMMUNICATIONS, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$27,000, FROM DECEMBER 13, 2001 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2002

Authorization is requested for the Superintendent to enter into a contractual agreement with Crook Consulting Group (Mr. Robert Crook) to provide liaison support in carrying out duties and responsibilities for the One Community One Goal® (OCOG), South Florida Annenberg Challenge (SFAC) grant for Information Technology/Telecommunications. Mr. Robert Crook will successfully complete the established liaison duties and responsibilities, as stated in the contractual agreement.

The Professional Services Contract Committee, established by School Board Rule 6Gx13-3F-1.021, reviewed this contractual agreement on November 21, 2001, and recommended that an exception to the rule regarding bids or Request for Proposals be granted as otherwise determined by the committee. The original contract was in the amount of \$5,480. Based on the outstanding results of the smaller contract, staff has recommended that a new contract be approved to continue the services for the remainder of the 2001-02 school year. The total cost of these professional services is \$32,480. This \$27,000 expenditure represents a part of Miami-Dade County Public Schools' match required by the Annenberg Challenge grant.

The appropriation for this item is included in the 2001-2002 Adopted Budget under Fund 0100, Function 6300, Program 9726, Object 5310, Location 9704.

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

1. authorize the Superintendent to enter into a contractual agreement with Crook Consulting Group (Mr. Robert Crook), to provide technical liaison support for the One Community One Goal®, South Florida Annenberg Challenge grant for Information Technology/Telecommunications, in an amount not to exceed \$27,000, from December 13, 2001 through June 30, 2002; and
2. grant an exception to School Board Rule 6Gx13- 3F-1.021.

The appropriation for this item is included in the 2001-2002 Adopted Budget.