School Operations
George M. Koonce, Jr., Associate Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI-ROSENSTIEL SCHOOL OF MARINE AND ATMOSPHERIC SCIENCES (RSMAS) TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE A SCUBA DIVING INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM AT MAST ACADEMY, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$12,500, FROM APRIL 10, 2002 TO JUNE 14, 2002

Authorization is requested for the Superintendent or his designee to enter into a contractual agreement with the University of Miami-Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences (RSMAS) to continue to provide MAST Academy students with instruction in basic underwater diving and safety. The class is offered to students who have completed outdoor education courses and received life saving certification from The American Red Cross. Approximately 40 students receive course work and preparation for certification in basic scuba diving. The total cost of the classes will not exceed \$12,500.

The Professional Services Contract Committee established by School Board Rule 6Gx13-3F-1.021 reviewed this contractual agreement on January 25, 2002, and recommended that an exception to the rule regarding bids or Requests for Proposals be granted as otherwise determined by the committee.

The appropriation for this item is included in the 2001-2002 Adopted Budget under Fund 0100, Function 5103, Program 9782, Object 5310, Location 7161.

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

- 1. authorize the Superintendent or his designee to enter into a contractual agreement with The University of Miami-Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences (RSMAS) to continue to provide a scuba diving instructional program at MAST Academy, in an amount not to exceed \$12,500, from April 10, 2002 to June 14, 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.

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