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Office of Intergovernmental Affairs and Grants Administration

**SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD
FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (FLDOE)
FOR FUNDING UNDER THE IDEA, PART B, SPECIAL
PROGRAM: FLORIDA INCLUSION NETWORK (FIN)**

COMMITTEE: EDUCATION AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS

During the 1992-1993 school year, the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE), Bureau of Instructional Support and Community Services, initiated the development of Florida's Exceptional Student Education Strategic Plan. Within the Plan, the Florida Inclusion Network (FIN) was established.

Florida Inclusion Network coordinates activities of regional facilitators, assists with the implementation of effective instructional practices, coordinates statewide training, provides assistance for on-going implementation of the revised Exceptional Student Education/Florida Education Finance Program funding model, and maintains records of the status of inclusion within the district. Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS), Office of Exceptional Student Education and Student/Career Services, supports the national trend of inclusion of exceptional students and is committed to providing training and technical support services to implement inclusion models in M-DCPS.

Authorization is requested to accept a grant award from the FLDOE in the amount of \$250,000 to fund the FIN program for the grant period of October 1, 2004 through August 31, 2005. This program has been in effect since 1999.

No matching funds are required as a condition to receive the grant funding. Grant funds in the amount of \$238,348 will fund salaries and fringe benefits for a curriculum support specialist, a secretary, contracted services, printing, supplies, equipment, software, and travel expenses. Indirect cost is \$11,652, for a total allocation of \$250,000.

Official notification of this grant award was received on September 30, 2004, which is after the start of the grant period. Reimbursement of grant-related expenditures is authorized effective October 1, 2004.

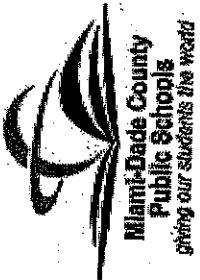
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RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to:

1. accept a grant award from the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) for funding under the IDEA, Part B, Special Program: Florida Inclusion Network (FIN) in the amount of \$250,000 for the grant period of October 1, 2004 through August 31, 2005;
2. extend this program as authorized through official notification from the granting agency in order to complete the goals of the program; and
3. direct Financial Operations to establish appropriations in the amounts approved or as amended by the granting agency; such appropriations to be reported periodically to the Board.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BUDGET SUMMARY FORM



Yes
 No Are there any in-kind or matching funds required?
 Entitlement Grant
 Non-Entitlement/Contract

GRANT/PROGRAM NAME: IDEA Part B, Special Project: Florida Inclusion Network

Grant Period Beginning October 1, 2004 Ending August 31, 2005
 (Date) (Date)

FUNCTION	Total Budget	Salaries (51XX)	Employee Benefits (52XX)	Purchased Services (53XX)	Energy Services (54XX)	Materials and Supplies (55XX)	Capital Outlay (56XX)	Other Expense (57XX)
INSTRUCTION SERVICES	33,570	30,000	3,570					
SUPPORT SERVICES:								
Pupil Personnel Services	6100							
Instructional Media Services	6200							
Instruction & Curriculum Development	6300	138,000	36,571	16,500		11,707	2,000	
Instructional Staff Training	6400							
Board of Education	7100							
General Administration	7200	11,652*						11,652*
School Administration	7300							
Facilities Acquisitions & Construction	7400							
Fiscal Services	7500							
Food Services	7600							
Central Services	7700							
Transportation Services	7800							
Operation of Plant	7900							
Maintenance of Plant	8100							
Community Services	9100							
Debt	9200							
TOTAL INSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES	250,000	168,000	40,141	16,500		11,707	2,000	11,652

*Includes Federal Indirect Costs of 11,652

Reviewed By *[Signature]* Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization:
 Division of Budget Agenda Item H-1 Board Meeting of November 17, 2004
 (Number) (Date)