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SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT TWO GRANT AWARDS FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (FLDOE) FOR FUNDING UNDER THE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAM AND ENTER INTO SEPARATE CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENTS WITH INTERNATIONAL STUDIES CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL, INC. AND MIAMI CHILDREN'S MUSEUM CHARTER SCHOOL, INC.

COMMITTEE: EDUCATION AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS

The Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) issued a Request for Proposals under the Public Charter School Federal Grant Program for the purpose of awarding grants to charter schools partnering with local educational agencies in order to provide a high quality education for all students. The Public Charter School Federal Grant Program provides funds only to those charter schools which have been approved by the local school district and which have established a collaborative partnership for the oversight and operation of the charter schools. Funds received from this grant will be used to improve the quality of education, support planning activities, and supplement the level of funds that would be made available from non-federal sources.

Authorization is requested to accept two grant awards, in the total amount of \$500,000, from the FLDOE and to enter into separate contractual agreements with International Studies Charter High School, Inc., in the amount of \$250,000, and Miami Children's Museum Charter School, Inc., in the amount of \$250,000, to implement their programs for the grant period of June 29, 2004 through September 30, 2005.

In collaboration with Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS), International Studies Charter High School and Miami Children's Museum Charter School submitted grant applications to support their charter school operations.

In accordance with the FLDOE grant guidelines, M-DCPS must be the fiscal agent on behalf of each of the charter schools that receive such grants. The Board's approval of the recommended action would not constitute an endorsement of the grants or its intended use. It would merely satisfy the Board's requirement under Florida Statutes, Section 1002.33, Charter Schools, which requires that M-DCPS serve as the fiscal agent.

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No matching funds are required as a condition to receive the grant funding. Grant funds in the total amount of \$500,000 will be distributed as separate contractual agreements among the two schools as follows:

Charter School	Grant Type	Amount of Grant	Indirect Costs	Contract Amount
International Studies Charter High School	Implementation Grant	\$250,000	\$11,746	\$238,254
Miami Children's Museum Charter School	Implementation Grant	\$250,000	\$11,746	\$238,254
TOTAL		\$500,000	\$23,492	\$476,508

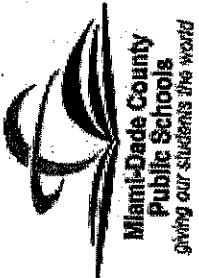
Official notification of these grant awards was received on September 29, 2004, which is after the start of the grant period. Reimbursement of grant-related expenditures is authorized effective June 29, 2004.

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

1. accept two grant awards from the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) for funding under the Public Charter School Federal Grant Program in the amount of \$500,000 for the grant period of June 29, 2004 through September 30, 2005;
2. enter into separate contractual agreements in the total amount of \$500,000 for the grant period of June 29, 2004 through September 30, 2005:
 - a. The International Studies Charter High School, Inc., in the amount of \$238,254; and
 - b. The Miami Children's Museum Charter School, Inc., in the amount of \$238,254;
3. extend these programs and contractual agreements as authorized through official notification from the granting agency in order to complete the goals of the programs; and
4. 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: Public Charter School Federal Grant Program - International Studies
 Charter High School and Miami Children's Museum Charter School
 Grant Period Beginning June 29, 2004 Ending September 30, 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:	5000	476,508		476,508				
SUPPORT SERVICES:								
Pupil Personnel Services	6100							
Instructional Media Services	6200							
Instruction & Curriculum Development	6300							
Instructional Staff Training.....	6400							
Board of Education.....	7100							
General Administration	7200	23,492*						23,492*
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	500,000			476,508				23,492

*Includes Federal Indirect Costs of 23,492

Reviewed By *[Signature]* Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization:
 Division of Budget Agenda Item H-7 Board Meeting of November 17, 2004
 (Number) (Date)