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SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH THE RADISSON MIAMI HOTEL TO PROVIDE SERVICES RELATED TO THE DISTRICT EDUCATION AWARDS (THE EDDIES) ON MAY 10, 2005; AND TO ESTABLISH A TRUST & AGENCY ACCOUNT FOR REVENUES AND EXPENSES RELATED TO THE DISTRICT EDUCATION AWARDS

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

It is requested that the Board authorize the Superintendent to enter into a contractual agreement with the Radisson Miami Hotel to provide services to Miami-Dade County Public Schools for the district Education Awards Ceremony (The Eddies) in an amount not to exceed \$45 per person. Additionally, it is requested that the Board authorize the Superintendent to establish a Trust & Agency account for revenue and expenses related to the District Education Awards Ceremony.

This event will serve as the proceedings for announcing the district finalists and winners for Principal of the Year, Assistant Principal of the Year, AFSCME Employee of the Year, Office Employee of the Year, Paraprofessional of the Year, School Volunteer of the Year and the Dade Partners Exemplary Awards. This one event replaces the individual events held last year for employee and business recognition. All appropriate bargaining units have participated in the discussions of this event.

The cost of the evening event will be covered by proceeds from tickets sold to participants. There will be no cost to the district.

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

1. enter into a contractual agreement with the Radisson Miami Hotel to provide services related to the district Education Awards (The Eddies) on May 10, 2005; and
2. establish a Trust & Agency account in the budget for revenues and expenses related to The Educational Awards (The Eddies) with an estimated budget of \$82,000.

There will be no cost to the district.