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SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH PARROT JUNGLE ISLAND TO PROVIDE SERVICES RELATED TO THE 2005-2006 EXEMPLARY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS/DADE PARTNERS AWARDS CEREMONY SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 30, 2006

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Authorization is requested to enter into a contractual agreement with Parrot Jungle Island to provide services related to the District's 2005-2006 Exemplary School Volunteers/Dade Partners Awards Ceremony in an amount not to exceed \$30,000. This event serves as the forum for announcing Exemplary School Volunteers and Dade Partners. The cost of the event will be covered by proceeds from tickets sold to participants. Tickets will not exceed \$30 per person for approximately 1,000 attendees or \$30,000. The event is managed by the Office of Community Services.

For the past 20 years, outstanding volunteers and business partners have been recognized. A nominating committee is established at each school site to select an outstanding volunteer in three categories: youth, adult and senior. The nominations are sent to the School Volunteer Program Office and the winners are selected by a joint task force comprised of District and school site administrators, teachers, and community partners. Business partners are nominated by the school that they serve or through self-submittals. There are several categories for winners ranging from size of business to years of involvement.

There is no cost to the District.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to enter into a contractual agreement with Parrot Jungle Island to provide services related to the 2005-06 Exemplary School Volunteers/Dade Partners Awards Ceremony to be held on March 30, 2006, in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.

There is no cost to the District.

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