

Alberto M. Carvalho, Associate Superintendent
Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Grants Administration, and Community Services

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION FOR FUNDING UNDER THE PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES PROGRAM AND A MATCHING GRANT AWARD FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (FLDOE) FOR FUNDING UNDER THE FEDERAL MATCHING GRANTS PROGRAM

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Authorization is requested to accept a grant award from the United States Department of Commerce (USDOC), National Telecommunications and Information Administration in the amount of \$229,364, under the Public Telecommunications Facilities Program. In order to meet the matching funds requirement of the USDOC, the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) has awarded a grant under the Federal Matching Grants Program in the amount of \$229,364, for a total of \$458,728, for the grant period of October 1, 2005, through March 31, 2007. The Public Telecommunications Facilities Program is a competitive grant program that helps public broadcasting stations construct facilities to bring educational and cultural programs to the American public. This grant will be managed by WLRN.

Miami-Dade County Public Schools is licensed by the Federal Communications Commission to operate WLRN-FM, the oldest FM station in South Florida and a National Public Radio member. WLRN, serving approximately 3.9 million listeners from Palm Beach County to the Florida Keys, applied for funds to construct a full power, 100,000-watt repeater public radio station (WHWY-FM), to be located in Marathon, Florida. Upon completion, services will cover the lower two-thirds of the Florida Keys.

The matching funds requirement is met through the FLDOE grant in the amount of \$229,364. Indirect cost is not allowed. Official notification of this grant award was received on October 3, 2005, which is after the start of the grant period. Reimbursement of grant-related expenditures is authorized effective October 1, 2005.

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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 United States Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration for funding under the Public Telecommunications Facilities Program in the amount of \$229,364, and a matching grant award from the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) in the amount of \$229,364, for a total of \$458,728, for the grant period of October 1, 2005 through March 31, 2007;
2. extend these programs as authorized through official notification from the granting agencies, in order to complete the goals of the programs; and
3. direct Financial Affairs to establish appropriations in the amounts approved by the granting agency; such appropriations to be reported periodically to the Board.

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THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BUDGET SUMMARY FORM



Are there any in-kind or matching funds required?

Yes

No

GRANT/PROGRAM NAME: WLEN-FM Marathon Radio Equipment Grant

Miami-Dade County

6500 N.W. 31st St.

Miami, FL 33150

Phone: 305-375-3000

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Website: www.miamidade.gov

October 1, 2005

Grant Period Beginning

October 1, 2005

Grant Period Ending

March 31, 2007

(Date)

(Date)

(Date)

	Total Budget	Salaries (51XX)	Employee Benefits (52XX)	Purchased Services (53XX)	Energy Services (54XX)	Materials and Supplies (55XX)	Capital Outlay (56XX)	Other Expense (57XX)
5000								
6100								
6200	458,728.00						458,728.00	
6300								
6400								
7100								
7200	*							*
7300								
7400								
7500								
7600								
7700								
7800								
7900								
8100								
9100								
9200								
TOTAL BUDGETED AND COMMITTED	458,728.00						458,728.00	

Amounts Printed Indicate Costs of

[Signature]

Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization:

April 18, 2006

Board Meeting of

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Agenda Item

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