

Business Operations
Ofelia San Pedro, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND CONSORTIUM ON READING EXCELLENCE, INC. (CORE), PURSUANT TO REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. 095-FF10 – PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES FOR A READING ACADEMY FOR TEACHERS OF STUDENTS IN GRADES 6-12

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Request For Proposals No. 095-FF10 – PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES FOR A READING ACADEMY FOR TEACHERS OF STUDENTS IN GRADES 6-12, which opened on April 4, 2006, is for the development and delivery of a five-day reading academy for teachers of students in grades 6 through 12, who struggle with reading, for the Office of Curriculum, Instruction and School Improvement. This is a term proposal. Of 12 proposers sent proposal forms or card notices of this advertised proposal, 1 responded.

In accordance with the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, the Florida Middle Grades Reform Act, and the state-required Comprehensive Research-based Reading Plan, the District is making every effort to ensure that all students enrolled in reading classes are receiving appropriate reading instruction from highly qualified teachers. The proposer will create a reading academy that reflects key findings in the Report of the National Reading Panel and will include research-based, effective instructional strategies that support the Sunshine State Standards for reading. The proposer will deliver professional development to approximately 600 secondary teachers on the content of the five-day reading academy, during Summer Heat. Enrollment priority will be given to secondary teachers who are not certified or endorsed in reading and are scheduled to teach Intensive Reading and/or Intensive Reading Plus courses during the 2006-07 school year.

The Evaluation Committee met to evaluate proposals received in response to the Request For Proposals on April 7, 2006. One proposal was presented for consideration: Consortium on Reading Excellence, Inc. (CORE). After considerable deliberation, the committee recommended this proposer for award.

Fund Source
0420 - Contracted Programs

M/WBE Eligibility
None

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, **AUTHORIZE** the Superintendent of Schools to negotiate and enter into a contractual services agreement between The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and Consortium on Reading Excellence, Inc. (CORE), pursuant to Request For Proposals No. 095-FF10 – PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES FOR A READING ACADEMY FOR TEACHERS OF STUDENTS IN GRADES 6-12, for the development and delivery of a five-day reading academy for teachers of students in grades 6 through 12, who struggle with reading, for the Office of Curriculum, Instruction and School Improvement, effective June 1, 2006, through May 30, 2007, as follows:

1. CONSORTIUM ON READING EXCELLENCE, INC. (CORE)
2560 NINTH STREET, SUITE 220
BERKELEY, CA 94710
OWNER: MARK SIMMONS, C.O.O.

Only proposal received.

2. Authorize Procurement Management Services to purchase up to the not to exceed amount of \$214,860.

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