

Business Operations  
Ofelia San Pedro, Deputy Superintendent

**SUBJECT:      REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO A PROBATIONARY CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND JAMES E. SCOTT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC., PURSUANT TO REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. 029-FF10 – OUTSIDE AGENCIES QUALIFIED TO OPERATE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS AT-RISK STUDENTS**

**COMMITTEE:   INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Request For Proposals No. 029-FF10 – OUTSIDE AGENCIES QUALIFIED TO OPERATE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS AT-RISK STUDENTS, which opened on February 7, 2006, is to provide educational services to at-risk children and/or adjudicated youth for grades 6-12, within Miami-Dade County, Florida, for the Office of Special Education, Alternative Outreach, and Psychological Services. This is a term proposal. Nine vendors responded to this advertised solicitation.

A meeting of the Selection Committee to evaluate the proposals was held on February 15, 2006. Eight proposals were presented for consideration: Achieve Through Education, Inc.; Cuban American National Council, Inc.; Dade Marine Institutes; Multiethnic Youth Group; Ombudsman Educational Services, Ltd.; James E. Scott Community Association; Richmond-Perrine Optimist Club, Inc.; and Recapturing the Vision. After considerable discussion, the Committee unanimously recommended that all proposers be recommended for award, with the exception of Multiethnic Youth Group, whose proposal did not meet the minimum requirements of the RFP.

At the Board meeting of May 10, 2006, the proposers recommended by the selection committee were awarded, with the exception of James E. Scott Community Association, Inc., pending the resolution of contractual requirements under its current contract.

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Curriculum, Instruction, and School Improvement, in collaboration with the Office of Management and Compliance Audits, has proposed a Probationary Plan to address programmatic and fiscal compliance by JESCA to operate the Roving Leaders Program, through December 21, 2006. Terms and conditions will be included in the Probationary Contractual Services Agreement. The monthly monitoring of the Probationary Contractual Services Agreement will be conducted by the Office of Special Education, Alternative Outreach, and Psychological Services. The cost will be deducted from the awarded amount. Fiscal monitoring provided by the Office of Management and Compliance Audits will obligate JESCA to provide monthly reports on expenditures for the Roving Leaders Program and progress towards implementing recommendations to strengthen their financial management practices. JESCA will be required to submit a fiscal monthly report reflecting all expenditures of FTE funds allocated by M-DCPS. Specific benchmarks for corrective actions by JESCA to cure the deficiencies noted in the audit reports will be incorporated into the Probationary Contractual Services Agreement. Moreover, periodic reports will be submitted to the Audit Committee.

Noncompliance with M-DCPS Probationary Contractual Services Agreement, inclusive of fiscal mismanagement and/or misapplication of District funds by JESCA, will be just cause for the Superintendent to find the agency in default and the contract will be immediately terminated by the Superintendent. Compliance with M-DCPS Probationary Contractual Services Agreement, inclusive of all contractual requirements, will allow for the extension of the contract through June 1, 2007. Probationary provisions will be included in the contract between M-DCPS and JESCA.

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<u>Fund Source</u>	<u>M/WBE Eligibility</u>
0100 - General	None

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, **AUTHORIZE** the Superintendent of Schools, to negotiate and enter into a Probationary Contractual Services Agreement between The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and James E. Scott Community Association, Inc., pursuant to Request For Proposals No. 029-FF10 – OUTSIDE AGENCIES QUALIFIED TO OPERATE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, PUBLIC SCHOOLS AT-RISK STUDENTS, to provide educational services to at-risk children and/or adjudicated youth for grades 6-12, within Miami-Dade County, Florida, for the Office of Special Education, Alternative Outreach, and Psychological Services, during the term of the proposal, effective August 2, 2006, through December 21, 2006, as follows:

1. JAMES E. SCOTT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.  
2389 N.W. 54 STREET  
MIAMI, FL 33142 ESTIMATE \$538,250  
OWNER: DORRIN D. ROLLE, PRESIDENT/C.E.O.

Alternative Education Program for 250 students

2. Authorize Procurement Management Services to purchase up to the total estimated amount of \$538,250.

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