

Antoinette Dunbar, Deputy Superintendent
Curriculum and Instruction

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHLAND MALL; OCWEN FEDERAL BANK FSB; SOUTHLAND MALL MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION/ MARKETING FUND; AND GUMBERG ASSET MANAGEMENT CORP., TO HOLD THE FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FAIR FROM JANUARY 26, 2007, THROUGH FEBRUARY 2, 2007

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The fifty-third annual South Florida Regional Science and Engineering Fair will take place from January 26, 2007, through February 2, 2007, at the Southland Mall, 20505 South Dixie Highway, Miami. Southland Mall; Ocwen Federal Bank FSB; Southland Mall Merchants Association/Marketing Fund; and Gumberg Asset Management Corp., have agreed to house the South Florida Regional Science and Engineering Fair at the Southland Mall for the seventh consecutive year.

The proposed agreement specifying the joint responsibilities of Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) and Southland Mall and Southland Mall Merchants Association has been reviewed by the School Board Attorney's Office and Office of Risk and Benefits Management. Under the proposed agreement, M-DCPS will also provide a certificate of insurance covering liability and property damage for the use of Southland Mall. To the extent that tort immunity is waived by state law, M-DCPS will indemnify and hold harmless Southland Mall for any liabilities occasioned by M-DCPS and associated with this agreement.

No local funds are required.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Southland Mall; Ocwen Federal Bank FSB; Southland Mall Merchants Association/Marketing Fund; and Gumberg Asset Management Corp., to hold the fifty-third annual South Florida Regional Science and Engineering Fair from January 26, 2007, through February 2, 2007.

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