

August 11, 2000

Education

Joseph H. Mathos, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND DESIGN TO CONTINUE A PRE-APPRENTICE RESIDENTIAL ELECTRICAL WIRING PROGRAM AT MIAMI-DOUGLAS MACARTHUR SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL SOUTH, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$33,042, RETROACTIVE FROM JULY 1, 2000 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2001

In August 1995, the Florida International University (FIU) College of Engineering and Design began a Pre-apprentice Residential Electrical Wiring Program at Miami-Douglas MacArthur Senior High School South. The program provides internships and scholarships, attempts to place every student on a job in the field of residential electrical wiring, and allows students who earn A's and B's to receive FIU credits. Authorization is requested to enter into a contractual agreement to provide this program, retroactive from July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001, in an amount not exceed \$33,042.

Approximately 45 students will be enrolled in the program under a contractual agreement. The selected students will attend the program for the full academic day, and at the end of the school year, they will have earned one elective credit with the possibility of an earned FIU credit. To facilitate this program, FIU will provide the instructors and graduate students needed for the academic instruction, as well as educational materials and learning activities. Electricians from private industry will conduct safety seminars and demonstrations.

The Professional Services Contract Committee, established by School Board Rule 6Gx13-3F-1.021, reviewed this contractual agreement on August 7, 2000, and recommended that an exception to the rule regarding bids or Request for Proposals be granted as otherwise determined by the committee.

The appropriation for this item will be included in the 2000-2001 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in September 2000 under Fund 0100, Program 6083, Function 5120, Object 5390, Location 9724.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

1. authorize the Superintendent to enter into a contractual agreement with Florida International University College of Engineering and Design to continue a Pre-apprentice Residential Electrical Wiring Program at Miami-Douglas MacArthur Senior High School South, at a cost not to exceed \$33,042, retroactive from July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001; and
2. grant an exception to Board Rule 6Gx13- 3F-1.021.

The appropriation for this item will be included in the 2000-2001 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in September 2000.

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