

Office of School Board Members  
Board Meeting of May 16, 2001

May 15, 2001

Jacqueline V. Pepper, Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, DIRECT THE SUPERINTENDENT TO DIRECT STAFF TO INCLUDE A DETAILED BREAKDOWN OF ALL BUDGETED EXPENSES AND ACTUAL COSTS CURRENTLY SHOWN ON CONSTRUCTION PROJECT AGENDA ITEMS UNDER THE "OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES" AND "PROFESSIONAL FEES" CATEGORIES.**

Board agenda items awarding construction contracts have to date shown a distribution of costs and estimated costs for the facility to be constructed or remodeled. The category of costs labeled "Other Professional Fees" (See Exhibit A attached) is frequently the second largest cost item of the project, after the base bid. In order for the Board to properly perform its oversight function, the Board must be provided with more information about what exactly is included in this category of costs and estimated costs, which if titled would more accurately would be called simply "Other".

For agenda item A-5 of this Board Meeting (commissioning of the design builder for State School "PPP"), staff has provided a breakdown of these costs, which would have previously been lumped into the single category of "Other Professional Fees." (See Exhibit B attached.) I am requesting that this more detailed information be included in all future contract awards that come before this Board to give both the Board and the public a clearer picture of the distribution of costs related to the construction of facilities

**ACTION PROPOSED BY**

**JACQUELINE V. PEPPER:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida direct the Superintendent to direct staff to include a detailed breakdown of all budgeted expenses and actual costs currently shown on construction budget agenda items under the "Other Professional Fees" and "Professional Fees" categories. The breakdown shall be included as part of all applicable board items as of the June 20 Board Meeting.

REPLACEMENT  
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**Distribution**

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Base Bid .....                | \$ <u>37,638,000.00</u> |
| Total Contract.....           | 37,638,000.00           |
| Project Architect's Fees..... | 912,500.00              |
| Other Professional Fees.....  | 4,305,952.00            |
| Project Contingency.....      | <u>2,399,938.00</u>     |
| Total Funds Required.....     | \$ 45,256,390.00        |

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| Base Bid.....                         | \$ 37,638,000.00    |
| Total Contract.....                   | 37,638,000.00       |
| Project Architect's Fees.....         | 912,500.00          |
| Mitigation Cost.....                  | 518,037.76          |
| *Printing and Materials Testing.....  | 136,875.00          |
| *UBCI/EFCO Reviews & Inspections..... | 159,500.00          |
| OIT                                   |                     |
| *Voice/Data Wiring.....               | 300,000.00          |
| *Data Network Equipment.....          | 150,000.00          |
| *Telephone Equipment.....             | 150,000.00          |
| Administrative Abatement.....         | 3,313,952.00        |
| Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment.....  | 6,708,944.00        |
| Project Contingency.....              | <u>1,927,525.00</u> |
| Total Project Budget Required.....    | \$ 51,915,333.76    |

\* Represents estimated costs