

Federal Programs and Grants Administration
John Johnson II, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT GRANT AWARDS FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR FUNDING UNDER THE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAM AND ENTER INTO SEPARATE CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENTS WITH ASPIRA SOUTH YOUTH LEADERSHIP CHARTER SCHOOL AND ROSA PARKS COMMUNITY SCHOOL OVERTOWN; PROJECT CYCLE: OCTOBER 31, 2001 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2002

The Florida Department of Education (FDOE) issued a Request for Proposals under the Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program for the purpose of awarding grants to charter schools partnering with local educational agencies in order to provide a high quality education for all students. The Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program provides funds only to those charter schools which have been approved by the local school district, and which have established a collaborative partnership for the oversight and operation of the charter schools. Funds received from this grant will be used to improve the quality of education, support educational and operational activities, and supplement the level of funds that would be made available from non-federal sources.

In collaboration with Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS), ASPIRA South Youth Leadership Charter School, and Rosa Parks Community School Overtown submitted grant applications to support their school operations. It is anticipated that the charter schools will receive the following funding amounts:

Charter School	Grant Type	Amount of Grant	Indirect Cost	Contract Amount
ASPIRA South Youth Leadership Charter School	Continuation	\$90,000	\$3,178	\$86,822
Rosa Parks Community School Overtown	Continuation	\$90,000	\$3,178	\$86,822

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In accordance with the FDOE grant guidelines, M-DCPS will be the fiscal agent on behalf of each of the charter schools. Authorization is requested for the Superintendent to enter into separate contractual agreements with each of the aforementioned charter schools for the amount indicated. Each charter school will be responsible for implementing the program outlined in its respective grant application and expending the grant funds.

Official notification relative to these grant awards was received on January 15, 2002, which is after the start of the budget period. The budget period for these grant awards allows for the reimbursement of expenditures from October 31, 2001.

No local funds are required.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to:

1. accept grant awards from the Florida Department of Education, in the total amount of \$180,000, for funding under the Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program and enter into separate contractual agreements with ASPIRA South Youth Leadership Charter School, in an amount not to exceed \$86,822; and Rosa Parks Community School Overtown, in an amount not to exceed \$86,822; Project Cycle: October 31, 2001 through June 30, 2002;
2. extend these grant awards and contractual agreements, at no additional cost, for up to one year, as authorized through official notification from the granting agency, if deemed necessary, in order to fully expend the grant awards and thus complete the scope of the projects; and
3. Financial Affairs to establish appropriations in the amounts approved by the granting agency; such appropriations to be reported periodically to the Board.

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BUDGET SUMMARY FORM



Miami-Dade County
Public Schools

Yes No Are there any in-kind or matching funds required?
 Entitlement Grant Non-Entitlement/Contract

GRANT/PROGRAM NAME: Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program
 Grant Period Beginning October 31, 2001 Ending June 30, 2002
 (Date) (Date)

FUNCTION	Total Budget	Salaries (51XX)	Employee Benefits (52XX)	Purchased Services (53XX)	Energy Services (54XX)	Materials and Supplies (55XX)	Capital Outlay (56XX)	Other Expense (57XX)
INSTRUCTION SERVICES	173,644			173,644				
SUPPORT SERVICES:								
Pupil Personnel Services								
Instructional Media Services								
Instruction & Curriculum Development								
Instructional Staff Training								
Board of Education								
General Administration	6,356*							6,356*
School Administration								
Facilities Acquisitions & Construction								
Fiscal Services								
Food Services								
Central Services								
Transportation Services								
Operation of Plant								
Maintenance of Plant								
Community Services								
Debt								
TOTAL INSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES	180,000			173,644				6,356

* Includes Federal Indirect Costs of 6,356

Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization:

Reviewed By SR [Signature] Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization: _____
 Division of Budget 1/27/02 Agenda Item F-1 Board Meeting of February 13, 2002
 (Number) (Date)