

Business Operations
Joe Arriola, Chief Business Officer

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO EXTEND THE LEASE OF SELECTED MOBILE OFFICE UNITS

Staff has investigated various alternatives to replace five leased trailers which are currently used by various departments throughout the District. It was determined that the best course of action would be to secure replacement units through the use of bids issued by another governmental agency, and the Board has approved this approach at its meeting of November 14, 2001, Item G-64. However, in consideration of the prevailing funding environment, purchase of replacement units would be based on funding availability, with replacement of units being deferred until the advent of a more favorable fiscal environment.

At this time, ordering replacement units remains contingent upon future availability of funds. Therefore, in order to provide continuity of service and development of more favorable circumstances, it is requested that the District extend the lease of the existing units until June 30, 2003, at a cost not to exceed \$29,000. This will provide time for the District to fully assess its priorities in the context of its resources.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida authorize payment to Williams Scotsman, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$29,000 for the period July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003 for the utilization of mobile office units.

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