

Education  
Mercedes Toural, Associate Superintendent

**SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO AMEND A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTH FLORIDA EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING CONSORTIUM, PURSUANT TO ACTIONS APPROVED BY THE SOUTH FLORIDA WORKFORCE BOARD AND CHANGES IN STATE LAW, EFFECTIVE JUNE 5, 2002 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2011**

Authorization is requested for the Superintendent to amend a contractual agreement between the South Florida Employment and Training Consortium (SFETC) and Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS). The Training Agency Agreement, signed on June 29, 2001 and effective through June 30, 2011, establishes M-DCPS as an approved training agency for individuals referred by SFETC-funded service providers (i.e., the one-stop service delivery system). The ten-year agreement provides for the payment of "Published Tuition and Fees" for students in the Workforce / Welfare Transition / Welfare-to-Work programs, and provides that prices may be changed with approval of the South Florida Workforce Board.

On June 5, 2002, the South Florida Workforce Board approved committee actions establishing a revised fee structure for voucher payments to training agencies, or Individual Training Accounts (ITA's). Under the revised fee structure, ITA payments are based on the overall price information provided by public educational institutions, including M-DCPS and Miami-Dade Community College (M-DCC). Pursuant to new changes in state law, the price information provided by both M-DCPS and M-DCC includes a separate service fee for ITA students. This service fee complies with Sec. 1009.25 of the School Code Rewrite Bill, which requires regional workforce boards to pay the actual costs of serving welfare transition participants in workforce development education programs, including attendance reporting and other services that were previously funded by other means.

Ms. Harriet Spivak is Executive Director of the South Florida Workforce Board.

No local funds are required.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to amend a contractual agreement with the South Florida Employment and Training Consortium, pursuant to actions approved by the South Florida Workforce Board and changes in state law, effective June 5, 2002 through June 30, 2011.

No local funds are required.