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SUBJECT:

COMMITTEE:

REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ENTER INTO COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS WITH NONPROFIT/FOR PROFIT AGENCIES IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO ADJUDICATED, INCARCERATED, OR AT-RISK STUDENTS, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2006

INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Authorization is requested for the Superintendent to enter into cooperative agreements with designated nonprofit/for profit agencies in Miami-Dade County, Florida, to provide educational and related services to adjudicated, incarcerated, or at-risk students, effective July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2006. In compliance with Florida Statutes 1006.07, 1003.51, and 1003.52, the Office of Alternative Education, Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) has developed cooperative agreements with designated governmental and private agencies. Services will be provided for the 2005 summer session and the 2005-2006 school year. These cooperative agreements have been in effect since 1980.

The agreements involve commitments on the part of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and the designated agencies in Miami-Dade County as outlined in the cooperative agreements:

- M-DCPS will provide an educational program, including teachers, materials, and equipment, not including furniture, on the same basis as provided to regular classes within M-DCPS. The principal of the Educational Alternative Outreach Program will provide the supervision of teachers.
- The designated agencies will provide classroom space in existing buildings that meet state specifications. Additionally, the agency will provide furniture, records of school-age students, and notification of students' discharge.

The educational component will be operated under the auspices of the Educational Alternative Outreach Program, Office of Alternative Education. The Outreach Program will provide educational and related services for students who are adjudicated by the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ), incarcerated by the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation of Miami-Dade County, reside in shelters for the abused and the neglected, require day treatment for substance abuse, or require hospitalization.

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## The designated agencies are as follows:

Agency	Name	Contact Person / Title
Governmental	The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation of Miami-Dade County, on behalf of Turner Guilford Knight Detention Center, and Women's Detention Center	Chief Donald Coffey, Miami-Dade County Corrections and Rehabilitation
Private, Nonprofit	Catholic Services, Inc.	Mr. Francisco Brizuela, Program Director
	CHARLEE of Dade County	Mr. Steve Manne, Executive Director
	Excel Shelter	Ms. Jill M. Volovar, Program Administrator
	Here's Help North	Mr. John Kross, Chief Executive Officer
	Highland Park Pavilion/Adolescent Substance Abuse Program	Ms. Eve Sakran, Program Director
	His House Children's Home	Ms. Jean Caceres-Gonzalez Executive Director
	Children's Home Society	Ms. Sara Herald, Regional Vice-President
	Miami Bridge, Inc.	Ms. Joan Shaw, Program Director
	Citrus Health Network, Inc.	Ms. Maria Alonso Martinez, Chief Operating Officer
	The Village	Ms. Nicole Buddle, Program Director
	TROY Community Academy	Ms. Jennifer Schuster, Program Director
	South Miami Hospital Addiction Treatment Program	Mr. Marino E. Carbonel, Director
	Miami Children's Hospital	Dr. Americo Padilla, Acting Chief of Psychiatry; and Ms. Aneisha Samuels, Clinical Coordinator
	Bay Point Schools, Inc.	Dr. Mary Louise Cole, CEO
	WINGS for Life South Florida	Mr. Bob Weaver, CEO
	PACE Center for Girls/Dade	Ms. Debbie Moroney, Director
Private, for Profit	Premier Behavioral Solutions, Inc., on behalf of Southern Glades Youth Camp, Everglades Youth Development Center, and Florida City Youth Center	Mr. Robert Brooks, Facility Administrator, Southern Glades Youth Camp; Mr. Calvettia Pate, Facility Administrator, Everglades Development Centers /Florida City Youth Center

Copies of the cooperative agreements will be transmitted to School Board Members under separate cover and are available for inspection by the public in the Office of the Recording Secretary, Room 924, and the Citizen Information Center, Room 158, 1450 N E Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132.

There is no exchange of funds.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to enter into cooperative agreements with the following, effective July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2006:

- 1. Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation of Miami-Dade County, to provide educational services for students at Turner Guilford Knight Detention Center and Women's Detention Center;
- 2. private, nonprofit agencies to provide educational services for students at Catholic Services, Inc.; CHARLEE of Dade County; Excel Shelter; Here's Help North; Highland Park Pavilion/Adolescent Substance Abuse Program; His House Children's Home; Children's Home Society; Miami Bridge, Inc.; Citrus Health Network Inc.; The Village; TROY Community Academy; South Miami Hospital Addiction Treatment Program; and Miami-Children's Hospital; Bay Point Schools, Inc, WINGS for Life South Florida, and PACE Center for Girls/Dade; and

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3. private, for profit agencies to provide educational services for students attending the Premier Behavioral Solutions Inc., on behalf of Southern Glades Youth Camp, Everglades Youth Development Center, Florida City Youth Center.

There is no exchange of funds.