

March 4, 2009

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Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Grants Administration, and Community Services

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH JUNGLE ISLAND TO PROVIDE SERVICES RELATED TO THE 2009 EDUCATION AWARDS CEREMONY (THE EDDIES)

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN: RECRUIT, DEVELOP AND RETAIN HIGH-PERFORMING, DIVERSE, AND MOTIVATED FACULTY AND STAFF

Authorization is requested to enter into a contractual agreement with Jungle Island to provide services related to The Education Awards Ceremony (The Eddies) in an amount not to exceed \$40,000. The Eddies serve as the forum for announcing the District's finalists and winners for Principal of the Year, Assistant Principal of the Year, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees AFL-CIO (AFSCME) Employee of the Year, Office Employee of the Year, and Paraprofessional of the Year.

The cost of the event will be covered by proceeds from tickets sold to participants. Tickets will not exceed \$55 per person; approximately 700 attendees are anticipated. Expenditures covered by ticket revenue for the event include contracted services for venue, audio visual services, design of invitation and program, and awards.

The event is scheduled to take place on May 7, 2009, at Jungle Island, 1111 Parrot Jungle Trail, Miami, Florida 33132. The event is coordinated by the Office of Community Services.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to enter into a contractual agreement with Jungle Island in an amount not to exceed \$40,000, to provide services related to The Education Awards Ceremony (The Eddies).

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