

Financial Services
Richard H. Hinds, Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND RODRIGUEZ, TRUEBA & CO., C.P.A., P.A., PURSUANT TO REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. 062-NN10 – EXTERNAL INDEPENDENT AUDITING SERVICES FOR WLRN/TV AND RADIO, AND DIRECT SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS

COMMITTEE: INNOVATION, EFFICIENCY & GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

LINK TO STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK: FINANCIAL EFFICIENCY/STABILITY

Request For Proposals No. 062-NN10 – EXTERNAL INDEPENDENT AUDITING SERVICES FOR WLRN/TV AND RADIO, AND DIRECT SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS, is to perform audits of the records of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, relating to three direct-support organizations operated by the School Board: The Miami-Dade Coalition for Community Education, Inc., Magnet Educational Choice Association, Inc., and Dade Schools Athletic Foundation, Inc., and television and radio stations operated by the Board: WLRN - TV and WLRN - FM Radio, for the Office of Management and Compliance Audits. This is a term proposal. Six (6) proposers responded to this advertised solicitation.

The term of the proposal shall be for three (3) years from date of award and may, by mutual agreement between The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and the awardee, be extended for two (2) additional one (1) year periods and, if needed, ninety (90) days beyond the expiration date of the current contract period.

A meeting of the Selection Committee to evaluate the proposals was held on May 13, 2013. Six (6) proposals were presented for consideration: Harvey, Covington & Thomas of South Florida, LLC; James Accounting & Tax Practice, P.A.; S. Davis & Associates, P.A.; Rodriguez, Trueba & Co., C.P.A., P.A.; Sharpton, Brunson & Company, P.A.; and Vizcaino, Gitlin & Zomerfeld, LLP. After considerable discussion, the Committee recommended that Rodriguez, Trueba & Co., C.P.A., P.A., be recommended for award.

Staff was successful in negotiating fees, which resulted in a savings of \$5,000 per audit period, compared to the rate on the previous contract.

Fund Source

0100 – General

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, **AUTHORIZE** the Superintendent of Schools, to enter into a contractual services agreement between The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and Rodriguez, Trueba & Co., C.P.A., P.A., pursuant to Request For Proposals No. 062-NN10 – EXTERNAL INDEPENDENT AUDITING SERVICES FOR WLRN/TV AND RADIO, AND DIRECT SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS, to perform audits of the records of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, relating to three direct-support organizations operated by the School Board: The Miami-Dade Coalition for Community Education, Inc., Magnet Educational Choice Association, Inc., and Dade Schools Athletic Foundation, Inc., and television and radio stations operated by the Board: WLRN - TV and WLRN – FM Radio, for the Office of Management and Compliance Audits, effective July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2016, including extensions thereto, as follows:

1. RODRIGUEZ, TRUEBA & CO., C.P.A., P.A.
1985 N.W. 88 COURT, SUITE 101
DORAL, FL 33172-2648
CARLOS M. TRUEBA, VICE PRESIDENT

Highest Rate Proposal

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2013 @ \$30,000.
Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2014 @ \$30,000.
Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015 @ \$30,000.

2. Authorize Procurement Management Services to purchase up to the estimated amount of \$90,000, for the initial contract term, and an amount not to exceed \$30,000, for each additional one (1) year extension period. Board authorization of this recommendation does not mean the amount shown will be expended.

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