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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Honorable Board Members

**FROM:** Kendra Goodman, CPPB, Purchasing Agent

**SUBJECT:** Pasco STAR Discipline Data Functionality  
Riverbend Software Solutions, Inc.

On May 18, 2004, the Board approved a negotiated contract with Riverbend Software Solutions, and granted permission to issue a purchase order to that company for development of Pasco STAR, the District's web-enabled assessment data warehouse and reporting system. Documentation of development for Phases II and III are attached as reference.

Research & Evaluation Services is requesting that Riverbend, as the incumbent service provider, be approved to expand the system to enable administrative and instructional personnel to better monitor discipline incidents and responses. A memo from Dr. David Scanga, Director of Research & Evaluation, and a detailed Statement of Work from Riverbend are attached for your review.

Riverbend has provided a quality product to the District in previous stages of the STAR system's development. It is Research & Evaluation's belief that using a different vendor for the additional work required would be counterproductive. The expenditure of \$60,000 has been benchmarked as fair and reasonable by Purchasing: Phase II's four (4) development milestones were accomplished in 19 weeks for \$140,000; these five (5) milestones are targeted for completion in twelve (12) weeks, which is a 32% overall lower weekly rate than Phase II pricing.

Under DOE rule 6A-1.012(10), the District is permitted to negotiate for high technology purchases, should we choose to do so. Per Dr. Scanga, the ESE Department will be transferring the necessary funds to Research & Evaluation for this project upon Board approval.

We are requesting approval of this expenditure, and permission to issue a purchase order to Riverbend in the amount of \$60,000. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Dr. Scanga or me at your earliest convenience.

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Attachments