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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable School Board Members

FROM: Kendra Goodman, CPPB, Purchasing Agent

SUBJECT: Disclosure Counsel: Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson, PA

The Finance Department has an urgent need for the services of Disclosure Counsel – see attached memo from William Kleinsorge, Director of Finance. In the past, The District has utilized the services of Nabors, Giblin, & Nickerson for these types of services.

Due to the nature of these services being required to work with the bond counsel services that are also included with this packet and the volatility of the financial environment, there is an urgency to obtain these services as outlined by Mr. Kleinsorge. As you may recall, Florida Statute 287.057(5)(f)(5) and D.O.E Rule 6A-1.012(7) allow the procurement of professional services to be exempt from the competitive bidding process. As such, Ms. Olga Swinson has contacted Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson in order to verify their interest in providing services similar to those they have provided in the past. In addition, she has obtained a commitment (see attached letter) that these services will not exceed 70% of the Bond Counsel's fee. This is a percentage rate considered to be at the low-end of the scale for these types of services.

At this time, we are requesting permission to utilize the services of Nabors, Giblin, & Nickerson for Disclosure Counsel during the next twelve months in the estimated amount of \$50,000. Permission has been obtained from The Board Attorneys, McClain & Alfonso, to utilize these outside counsel services. Specific scope of work and deliverables will be provided at a later date.

Please contact Ms. Olga Swinson, Chief Finance Officer, or me if you have any questions or concerns.

KDG/az Attachments

Date/Time: January 16, 2008 09:50:00