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To: Members of the Board of Trustees

From: J. David Armstrong Jr., President

Date: December 1, 2009

Place: Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Broward College
Boardroom 1208, Building 33, Willis Holcombe Center
111 East Las Olas Boulevard
Fort Lauderdale, FL

Subject: Agenda Item VII - D - Family Central-Linkage Agreement

Brief Description:

This is an annual renewal of a linkage agreement with Family Central, Inc. Family Central is a contractor to the Broward School Readiness Coalition and is a sponsoring agency for the disbursement of their community mentoring and scholarship funds for Early Childhood Education students at Broward College.

Benefit to BC:

This linkage agreement provides Broward College Early Childhood Education students access to mentoring and scholarship funding opportunities that might not otherwise have been available to them.

Relationship to College Master Plan: This initiative increases community awareness of the BC Early Childhood A.S. degree program and channels community based scholarship funding to BC students who otherwise might not have been able to continue with their training for entry into the Early Childhood profession.

Board Agenda Approved: _____
Date: _____

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To: President

Date: _____

From: Vice President/Provost

Subj: Request for Renewal of Linkage Agreement with Family Central, Inc.

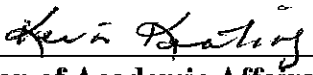
Issue: Family Central is a contractor to Broward School Readiness Coalition, Inc. They develop linkage agreements with community agencies and organizations with integrated services to child care providers in Broward County. Family Central will provide mentoring and/or scholarships to Broward College students attending classes at BC towards the completion of a Child Development Associate Credential and A. S. degree in Early Childhood Education. BC will refer students to Family Central who are in need of CDA scholarships and/or technical assistance in completing CDA coursework.

Background/Analysis: Provide mentoring and/or scholarship assistance to Broward College students for their A. S. degree program in Early Childhood Education.

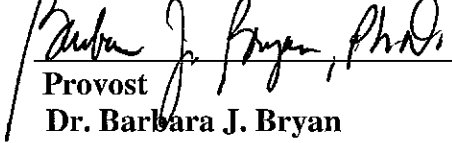
Fiscal Impact: N/A

Educational Master Plan: This initiative meets the following EMP criteria:

Goal 4: Position BC to be the vehicle of choice for training Broward County's workforce.



Dean of Academic Affairs
Dr. Kevin Keating
North Campus
Staff Position: Recommended for Approval



Provost
Dr. Barbara J. Bryan
North Campus

THIS RECOMMENDED ACTION MEETS THE FOLLOWING ELEMENT(S) OF THE COLLEGE'S MISSION STATEMENT:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Providing high quality educational programs | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Providing high quality services |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Providing for affordability to a diverse community of learners | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Providing for accessibility to a diverse community of learners |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commitment to student achievement | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commitment to lifelong learning |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commitment to academic excellence | <input type="checkbox"/> Providing use of current technology |

BRIEFLY DESCRIBE HOW THIS RECOMMENDATION ACHIEVES THE ABOVE ELEMENT(S) IN THE COLLEGE'S MISSION STATEMENT:

This initiative increases community awareness of the BC Early Childhood A. S. degree program and channels community based scholarship funding to BC tudents who otherwise might not have been able to continue with their training for entry into the Early Childhood profession.

Minority Firm: Yes ___ No ___ N/A ___

Broward Firm: Yes ___ No ___ N/A ___

July 20, 2009

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Dr. Kevin Keating
Dept. Chair Social and Behavioral Sciences
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Coconut Creek, FL 33066

Re: Linkage Agreement

Dear Dr. Keating:

Family Central, Inc. ("Family Central") provides Quality Improvement Supports (ELC3 Services) to child care facilities as a contractor to the Early Learning Coalition of Broward County, Inc. ("Coalition"). Family Central's contract with the Coalition for Quality Improvement Supports (ELC3 Services) requires Family Central to develop a linkage agreement with several community agencies/organizations which provide similar services to the child care community.

This letter memorializes the agreement between Family Central and *Broward College (BC)* regarding the linkages developed between our agencies to provide more integrated services to child care providers in Broward County. This linkage agreement is effective as of the date it has been signed by both parties and shall expire on June 30, 2010 unless extended by mutual written agreement of the parties. This linkage agreement may be amended or terminated by mutual written agreement of the parties.

BC will:

1. Refer eligible students to Family Central who are in need of a scholarship toward the completion of coursework leading to a National Child Development Associate (NCDA).

Family Central will:

1. Accept scholarship applications from students for classes at *BC* toward the completion of a National Child Development Associate (NCDA) depending on the availability of slots and funds. It is understood that priority for scholarships are given to students who are employed at child care sites who participate in the Broward County Quality Improvement program.
2. Offer mentoring toward the completion of a National Child Development Associate (NCDA) to all scholarship recipients attending classes at *BC* and employed at child care sites receiving technical assistance as part of the Broward County Quality Rating and Improvement program, at the time of BBC attendance.

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The following shall serve as the contacts for BC and Family Central in relation to this linkage agreement:

- a. Broward College Contact:
Penny Luken, Child Development
Broward College
1000 Coconut Creek Blvd.
Building 56, Room 121
Coconut Creek, FL 33066
954-201-2273

- b. Family Central Contact:
Yanick Goutier
Director of Early Care and Education
Family Central, Inc.
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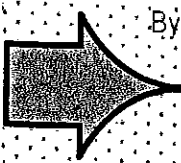
We look forward to working with you to meet the needs of the child care providers in our community. If this letter accurately reflects your understanding of our agreement regarding linkages between our agencies, please confirm by signing a copy of this letter and returning the signed copy to me.

Very truly yours,



Barbara A. Weinstein, Ed.D.
President and CEO

ACCEPTED AND AGREED
Broward College



By: _____

Please Print Name

Title: _____

Date: _____

ACCEPTED AND AGREED
Family Central, Inc.

By: _____

Barbara A. Weinstein, Ed.D.
Please Print Name

Title: _____
President/CEO

Date: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGALITY:



KEVIN FERNANDER
COLLEGE ATTORNEY

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