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Subject: Re: PROPOSED SCHEDULE AND TIME CHART

Hello Jud,

As we discussed, I have attached the full, revised scope of FNI services based on current needs. FNI's current contract will conclude with the preparation of a Charter School Feasibility Study. Several community workshops will also be conducted in October and November. It is our strong recommendation that this initial process begin in October and be concluded in January when the feasibility study will be delivered. Dragging it out over several months will dilute the effectiveness of community involvement for this first phase. Of course, there will be several opportunities for community involvement in phase two -- implementation.

It is our opinion that the original intent of the Charter School study be maintained and that the focus of the initial workshops be on education and educational philosophy that Key Biscayne would like to see implemented. Only after we have established a solid educational foundation can we develop a meaningful feasibility study for the school which will include elements like municipal regulations, suitable location, budget, governance ideas, etc.

Given the small size of our contract and the fact that we had anticipated completing the work in about 10 weeks, we believe that the proposed revised scope will allow us to remain within the originally allocated budget while still providing the Village of Key Biscayne with all the vital information it needs to make a reasonable decision about how to best proceed with the Charter School process.

Please share this revised matrix with the Council at Tuesday's meeting and I will be prepared to discuss it in greater detail and also answer their questions.

Best regards,

Prakash

EDUCATIONAL PLANNING AND CHARTER SCHOOL CONSULTING SERVICES
Proposed REVISED Schedule and Time Chart – September 3, 2008



TASK #	CATEGORY	TASKS	Date	PRIMARY AUDIENCE	DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE
1	Visioning	WORKSHOP 1: EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY	Oct 2008	All stakeholders	Village-wide workshop designed to introduce and obtain stakeholders feedback regarding the applicability of national and international educational best practice to Key Biscayne
2	Educational Planning	WORKSHOP 2: EDUCATIONAL MODELS	Oct 2008	All stakeholders	This workshop features descriptions of 6-7 major high school programmatic models from around the U.S. with highlights of best practices and results common to each. Activities will focus on helping participants understand how these models would or could fit with the Key Biscayne community and their desire for a successful high school. The workshop will culminate with participants selecting preference features.
3	Educational Planning	WORKSHOP 3: BLINK EXERCISE	Oct 2008	As large a community participation as possible. This could be done over 2 or 3 sessions if necessary.	This exercise is geared to understanding, at a very personal level, the extent to which school stakeholders are willing to be innovative in the development of the new school.
4.	Educational Planning for Charter Schools	WORKSHP 4: PROGRAM FEASIBILITY	Nov 2008	Charter School Sub-Committee plus small contingent of educators (about 20)	This workshop will focus on selecting preferred programmatic components and analyzing their feasibility from an academic, social, logistical and financial perspective. Activities will be centered around feedback and input regarding workability and integration of the key components. The culmination will include a workable draft from which to build the Key Biscayne High School learning and operations model.

5	Educational Planning	WORKSHOP 5: SIGNATURE	Nov 2008	Charter School Sub-Committee plus small, representative group of community stakeholders	This will enable the planning team to understand the ethos of the community which will provide guidance for how best to represent the school signature regardless of which facility the school eventually occupies
6	Charter School Study	WORKSHOP 6: CHARTER SCHOOLS IN FLORIDA AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY	Nov 2008	All stakeholders	Village-wide workshop designed to educate all stakeholders regarding Charter Schools in the State and in Miami-Dade County. To be conducted by Lisa Mulhall from In-Rem Solutions.
7	Educational Planning	CHARTER SCHOOL FEASIBILITY REPORT	Jan 2009	FNI Deliverable: to be reviewed by a subset of knowledgeable volunteers within the larger stakeholder community and approved by the Council	The results of the Educational Planning work will be captured in the form of a Charter School Feasibility Report. This will provide the information needed for the Village of Key Biscayne to decide whether to proceed with the charter school. It will also enable the Village to select an educational model, have a good sense of potential sites for the school and the financial implications of the school. This report will conclude FNI's work, however a follow-up contract with FNI or another suitable firm will be needed to take the project into the implementation phase which will answer more detailed questions and also provide execution strategies.