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**NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL # ELCMDM2020-07  
Professional Development & Resources**

Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe, Inc. hereby announces its decision to award the contract for Professional Development and Resources to the following proposers:

- **Teachstone, Inc.**

**Protests and Disputes**

Any person who is adversely affected by the Coalition's decision concerning a procurement solicitation or contract award and who wants to protest such decision shall file a protest in compliance with Section 120.53(3), F.S. Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Section 120.57(3), F.S., 72 hours, shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, F.S.

Any proposer, who desires to file a formal protest to this RFP, must accompany that protest with a bond payable to the Coalition in an amount of \$5,000. Bond shall be conditioned upon the payments of all costs which may be adjusted against the proposer in the administrative hearing in which the action is brought and in any subsequent appellate court proceedings. In lieu of a bond, the Coalition may accept a cashier's check or a money order in the amount of the bond. Failure to file the proper bond at the time of filing the formal protest will result in a denial of the protest.

A protest must be submitted to the President/CEO in writing within 72 hours of the Notification of Intent to Award. The protest must fully identify facts resulting in the contested issues. The protest will be responded to within five (5) business days. A protester whose complaint was denied by the President/CEO has the right to appeal that decision within five (5) business days to a certified hearing officer appointed by the Florida Conflict Resolution Consortium. An appointed hearing officer's decision may be appealed to the Board within five (5) calendar days of the mediator's determination. The Board will either, review and render its final decision within ten (10) business days after the postmarked date of the protester's appeal to the Board, or the Board will grant its chairperson authority to appoint an ad hoc committee comprised of three voting members to review and render a final decision on behalf of the full Board.

Please direct all inquiries to:

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**Early Learning Coalition Board of Directors Meeting**

**December 07, 2020**

**Resolution: 12072020-02**

**Action Requested:** Approval of the Evaluation Committee’s recommendation to award a contract for RFP#ELCMDM2020-07 (Professional Development Resources), and authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute a contract with the selected vendor.

**Fiscal Impact:** An approximate amount of \$135,000.00 per fiscal year, which is subject to the availability of funding.

**Funding Source:** Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Florida Department of Education Office of Early Learning, and The Children’s Trust.

**Strategic Goal:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Neediest Children	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Providers
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Youngest Children	<input type="checkbox"/> Internal Capacity
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educate All	<input type="checkbox"/> Funding

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**RESOLUTION: 12072020-02**

**APPROVAL OF THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE’S RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR RFP#ELCMDM2020-07 (PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES), AND AUTHORIZE THE PRESIDENT AND CEO TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH THE SELECTED VENDOR.**

WHEREAS, the Board of the Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe, Inc. (the “Board”) has been apprised of the program goals through the attached narrative, hereby incorporated by reference and the Finance Committee is in agreement with the goals described therein;

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee recommends approving this action and has presented said action to the Board for adoption and approval;

WHEREAS, the Board approves the adoption of this action;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board to approve the Evaluation Committee’s recommendation to award a contract for RFP#ELCMDM2020-07 (Professional Development Resources), and authorize the President and CEO to negotiate and execute a contract with the selected vendor.

The foregoing resolution and attachment was offered by \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its approval. The motion was seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:  
\_\_\_\_\_.

The vote was recorded as listed in the attached roll sheet.

The chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2020.

EARLY LEARNING COALITION  
OF MIAMI-DADE/MONROE, INC,

Digitally signed by Adrian Alfonso  
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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Board Secretary

**Background:**

Resolution #08032020-02 authorized the President and CEO to release a Request for Proposal (RFP) for **Professional Development Resources for Miami-Dade and Monroe Counties**. On September 21, 2020, the Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe, Inc. (the Coalition) released **RFP#ELCMDM2020-07** for **Professional Development Resources**. On or before October 13, 2020, the Coalition received one (1) proposal from the following vendor:

- **Teachstone, Inc.**

Legal Counsel reviewed the proposal on October 22, 2020, the proposal was deemed responsive.

On October 29, 2020, the proposal was reviewed by the following four (4) evaluators who made up the Evaluation Committee.

**Evaluation Committee Members:**

<b>1. Shaleen Fagundo</b> , Owner/Director - Interamerican Learning Center
<b>2. Diahdenys Chavez</b> , Regional Director - Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Miami, Inc.
<b>3. Corina Febres Cordero</b> , Connecting Assessments with Intentional Teaching Program Director - United Way of Miami-Dade
<b>4. Brigitte Saint Louis</b> , Education Specialist - The Neighborhood Place for Early Head Start a division of the Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/ Monroe, Inc. (Alternate)

On November 16, 2020, at the second Evaluation Committee Meeting, the committee moved and passed a motion to recommend that the Coalition negotiate and execute a contract with Teachstone, Inc.

<b>Proposer's Name</b>	<b>Final Rating (Max 300)</b>
1. Teachstone, Inc.	296

**Evaluation Scorecard:**

RFP # ELCMDM2020-07 Professional Development and Resources		Max. Score	Teachstone, Inc.		
			#1	#2	#3
<b>Organizational Capacity</b>		<b>10</b>			
1	The organization has at least five (5) years of experience and knowledge with using and training on the Classroom Assessment Scoring System (CLASS) tool for Pre-K and at least three (3) years with Infant and Toddler CLASS tool.	10	10	10	10
<b>Professional Development</b>		<b>40</b>			
1	CLASS trainers are CLASS Observer Certified on the CLASS tool for Infants, Toddlers, and Pre-K.	5	5	5	5
2	The organization has certified CLASS Trainers to conduct the CLASS Trainer Certification (Train-the-Trainer) for Infants, Toddlers, and Pre-K.	15	15	15	15
3	The organization has certified trainers to conduct Making the Most of Classroom Interactions (MMCI) Train-the-Trainer for Infants, Toddlers, and Pre-K.	15	15	15	15
4	The organization has certified trainers to conduct Introduction to CLASS for Infants, Toddlers, and Pre-K.	5	5	5	5
<b>Online</b>		<b>40</b>			
1	The organization can provide access to MyTeachstone online software.	15	15	15	15
2	The organization can provide access to the online recalibration software.	15	15	15	15
3	The organization can provide access to the CLASS video library.	10	10	10	10
<b>Resource</b>		<b>6</b>			
1	The organization can provide CLASS Dimension Guides for Infants, Toddlers, and Pre-K.	3	3	3	3
2	The organization can provide MMCI resource binders.	3	3	3	3
<b>Pricing</b>		<b>4</b>			
1	Proposal details ways in which the contractor will provide Early Head Start with in-kind services or materials.	4	4	1	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>99</b>
<b>TOTAL SUM</b>		<b>300</b>	<b>296</b>		
<b>AVERAGE</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>99</b>		