TO: Board of Trustees  
FROM: Douglas Treadway  
DATE: September 8, 2004  
SUBJECT: Approval of Amendment to the Kidango Contract for Administration of the District’s Child Care Center Operations  

In May 2002, the District entered into a long-term operational agreement with Kidango to administer its child care programs. At the time the original agreement was drafted, it was envisioned that the agreement would require amendment once a new child care center was built. The new child care center should be ready for full occupancy in the next few weeks, so it is appropriate that the Board of Trustees approve the attached amendment to the original contract.

Over the past few months, staff have met several times with representatives from Kidango to work out modifications to the original agreement. In summary, the amendment to the agreement covers the following major provisions:

- Kidango is guaranteed a contract extension until at least June 30, 2007. Kidango desired this commitment since they will be servicing a younger population (birth –two years old), which requires more costly staffing ratios.
- Kidango will cooperate with the College to explore the financial viability of offering child care services in the evenings. Evening services will enable more working parents to enroll in the College’s early childhood studies program.
- To recognize the increased operating costs to the College of a larger facility, Kidango will pay the College $5,000 per month from their tuition receipts to partially defray these costs.

Staff recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the amendment to the operational agreement. Also, attached is the original operational agreement that is being amended.

RECOMMENDATION:
The President/Superintendent recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the attached amendment to the existing agreement with Kidango, Inc., to administer the District’s child care programs.