

Consider Approval of Membership Agreement Authorizing Participation in 1GPA National Purchasing Cooperative

Staff requests Board approval of a membership agreement with 1GPA (1 Governmental Procurement Alliance), a national, nonprofit purchasing cooperative that serves public entities, including institutions of higher education.

1GPA leverages the collective purchasing power and expertise of its nationwide membership to reduce costs and streamline the procurement process. Through the use of advanced procurement resources and solutions, 1GPA establishes cooperative purchasing contracts that provide public agencies access to high-quality products and services at competitive prices, while reducing the time and administrative burden associated with formal RFP processes.

Upon approval of this item, the College will be authorized to purchase directly from vendors through 1GPA contracts without the solicitation of formal bids, as permitted by law. There is no cost or membership fee for the College to participate in the 1GPA purchasing program.