

YSLETA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Trustees Meeting
Agenda Item Backup Sheet
February 10, 2016

Subject: Interlocal Agreement for continued participation in the West Texas Food Service Cooperative for 2016-2017.

Solution: The goal of the Cooperative is to obtain substantial savings on specific food service items for member districts through volume purchasing. The highest quality products for the best possible prices will be sought. The District will benefit through cost savings, meeting bid law requirements, and receiving items that meet Child Nutrition program requirements.

Rationale: Studies indicate that school districts benefit through cooperative participation with a considerable cost savings. While the purchasing power of the WTFSC is significant; the costs of goods and services continues to rise annually. The industry standard shows increases have been 15 percent for most food service goods and services. The current WTFSC increases have been 9 percent. Cooperative participation also reduces costs associated with advertising, paperwork, and time spent on the bidding process as well as more buying power.

Funding: Budgeted Federal funds

Recommendation: Approve Board Resolution and award of YISD Contract #20160283, Interlocal Agreement with Region 17 Education Service Center, to participate in the West Texas Food Service Cooperative, during the period of August 1, 2016 through July 31, 2017, at a pass-through cost of .85% of each District purchase in the form of a vendor participation fee.

Resource Person: Pat O'Neill, Associate Superintendent
Division of Operations

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