

Grocery and Non-food RFP for Prospering Pals Co-op

Memo

To: Dr. Jeff Turner
From: Sid Grant
CC: Ralph Seeley, Jean Mosley
Date: 4/19/2006
Re: Grocery and Non-food RFP for Prospering Pals Purchasing Cooperative

Attached as Excel spreadsheets, please see the comparative results for the grocery and non-food Request for Proposals for the Prospering Pals Purchasing Cooperative for the 2006-2007 school year. Coppell ISD is the hosting district of this purchasing cooperative made up of several area school districts. Participating districts of this proposal include Coppell, Aubrey, Callisburg, Denton, Eagle Mountain/Saginaw, Era, Hico, Kennedale, Lake Dallas, Lake Worth, Lancaster, Little Elm, Mansfield, Mineral Wells, Pilot Point, Poolville, Slidell, Stephenville, Tom Bean, and Valley View.

The Request for Proposal Method (RFP), as provided in the Texas Education Code 44.031, was used to obtain proposals.

Proposals for 318 grocery and non-food items were received from C.D. Hartnett, LaBatt Food Service, Sysco, Wallace Packaging, Otis Spunkmeyer, Interboro Packaging, and McKee Foods. Mission Foods returned an incomplete proposal that could not be considered.

As detailed in the attached Excel spreadsheets, Sysco provided the proposal with the best overall value for Coppell ISD and the other member school districts for the majority of the grocery and non-food items proposed. Based on estimated annual quantities to be purchased, Sysco's proposal is estimated to save member districts approximately \$156,000 annually over the next lowest priced proposal. Otis Spunkmeyer and McKee Foods are also recommended for several specialty cookie, cereal bar, and baked goods items based on respective price and quality of product.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Coppell ISD Board of Trustees approve Sysco, Otis Spunkmeyer, and McKee Foods as the providers of grocery and non-food items for the Child Nutrition's Prospering Pals Purchasing Cooperative for the 2006 – 2007 school year at the April 24, 2006 board meeting.