



ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE

MEETING DATE: April 15, 2024

AGENDA ITEM: Purchase of School Bus Order with 2023 Bond Program Funds

PRESENTER: Earl Husfeld, Chief Financial Officer

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Per Board Policy CH (Local), any single, budgeted purchase of goods or services that costs \$50,000.00 or more, regardless of whether the goods or services are competitively purchased, shall require Board approval before a transaction may take place.
- As you are aware, included in the 2023 Bond Program was \$4,500,000.00 for the purchase of school buses.
- In June 2023, the District ordered fourteen (14) school buses at a cost of \$1,836,864.00.
- Based on current replacement needs, we are proposing the following purchases:
 - Twelve (12) regular, 77-passenger buses
 - One (1) mid-size special needs bus with lift
- The school buses we want to replace are model year 2007 or older buses with higher mileage that are increasingly costly to repair. Additionally, many of these buses have outdated camera/video systems that are also costly to repair.
- As we shared with the Board of Trustees and the Community during the 2023 Bond Program planning, the District has twenty-eight (28) buses in our fleet that were model year 2007 or older. With the purchase in June 2023, and this anticipated purchase in May 2024, we are attempting to replace/retire most of these older buses.
- District staff will finalize quotes/proposals for these buses prior to presentation of this item to you for consideration/action at the May regular board meeting.

FISCAL INFORMATION:

The \$1,800,000.00 estimated purchase cost of these buses will be paid with 2023 Bond Program funds.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

None – Informational Report