



SOUTH SAN ANTONIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: April 22nd, 2020

Purpose: Presentation/Report Recognition Discussion/ Possible Action

Closed/Executive Session Work Session Discussion Only Consent

From: Chad Doucet, Interim Chief of Staff

Item Title: Approval of District administration to apply for membership with the purchasing cooperative TexBuy.

Description: TexBuy is a statewide purchasing cooperative hosted by Region 16 Education Service Center in Amarillo, Texas. TexBuy is the Texas representative of the national purchasing organization AEPA (Association of Educational Purchasing Agencies). Many of the awarded contracts offered through TexBuy were solicited nationally by AEPA, providing the most competitive pricing available. AEPA represents the buying power of 27 states and 25 million students.

Historical Data: Purchasing Cooperatives enable members to leverage the benefits of volume purchases, delivery and supply chain advantages, best practices and the reduction of administrative time and expenses. Cooperative procurement has become a well-established practice in the past decade with increasing representation and participation by public entities. Cooperative procurement solutions offer resource challenged agencies the opportunity to gain needed operating efficiencies as well as hard dollar savings. It is a valuable tool to obtain necessary goods and services by aggregating volume, securing best pricing, and reducing administrative overhead. The demonstrated effectiveness of cooperative procurement to save taxpayer dollars makes it a viable alternative to conventional, independent procurement processes.

Recommendation: Approve District administration to apply for membership with the purchasing cooperative TexBuy.

District Goal/Strategy:

Strategy 1 We will engage all school community members through transparency and effective communication to promote a positive perception and create a strong brand.

Funding Budget Code and Amount: NO COST

APPROVED BY:

SIGNATURE

DATE

Chief Officer:

4/9/2020

CFO Funding Approval:

Superintendent:

4.14.2020