

**Denton Independent School District  
Transportation Bus Purchase**

June 13, 2023

**SUMMARY:**

This item requests approval of the quote from Rush Truck Centers/Rush Bus Centers in the amount of \$887,288.00 for the purchase of six (6) buses.

**BOARD GOAL:**

Growth & Management – Demonstrate effective and efficient management of district resources.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The Transportation Department currently has one hundred and fifteen (115) routes throughout the District. The quote is for six (6) 71-passenger route buses at a cost of \$147,748.00 per bus for a total of \$886,488.00. A Buy Board fee of \$800.00 will be included on the PO. All six (6) buses will have air conditioning, a propane fuel source, and GPS tracking. These buses will replace current fleet buses that are seventeen (17) years old. Denton ISD has been awarded two (2) Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) grants. The first grant will reimburse the District \$545,000.00 towards five (5) buses and the second grant will reimburse the District \$66,500.00 towards the one (1) bus. These grants will provide total savings to Denton ISD in the amount of \$611,500.00.

**SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:**

The six (6) buses will be used for routes throughout Denton ISD. These buses will be purchased through a Texas Local Governmental Purchasing Cooperative (Buy Board-Contract#630-20).

This purchase is being brought for approval in accordance with the District’s CH (local) policy.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:**

The cost of these buses will be borne through a combination of 2023 Bond Funds and the TCEQ grants.

Bond Funds	\$ 275,788.00
TCEQ SEP Award	545,000.00
TCEQ Award – 582-23-43250 CB	<u>66,500.00</u>
<b>Total Cost of Bus Purchase</b>	<b>\$ 887,288.00</b>

**BENEFIT OF ACTION:**

The Transportation Department will be able to order & receive the buses in a timely manner in which to be able to better serve our students for the 2023-2024 school year.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the quote from Rush Truck Centers/Rush Bus Centers totaling the amount of \$ 886,488.00 plus a Buyboard fee of \$800.00 for a total of \$887,288.00 for the purchase of six (6) buses be accepted.

**STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:**

Paul Andress, Executive Director of Operations

Sheryl Alden, Director of Transportation

Cindy Willis, Director of Purchasing

**ATTACHMENT:**

None

**APPROVAL:**

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_