

AGENDA

ITEM

GOAL: 4

OBJECTIVE: 4A

SUBJECT:

Report Cooperative Purchasing Fees Paid by Huntsville ISD.

RATIONALE:

Texas Education Code 44.0331 requires that school districts disclose the amounts spent on purchasing cooperative fees on an annual basis. Specifically, it states:

Sec. 44.0331 MANAGEMENT FEES UNDER CERTAIN COOPERATIVE PURCHASING CONTRACTS.

(a) A school district that enters into a purchasing contract valued at \$25,000 or more under Section 44.031 (a)(5), under Subchapter F, Chapter 271, Local Government Code, or under any other cooperative purchasing program authorized for school districts by law shall document any contract-related fee, including any management fee, and the purpose of each fee under the contract.

(b) The amount, purpose, and disposition of any fee described by Subsection (a) must be presented in a written report and submitted annually in an open meeting of the board of trustees of the school district. The written report must appear as an agenda item.

(c) The commissioner may audit the written report described by Subsection (b). The fees paid to the purchasing cooperatives by Huntsville ISD for FY 2024-2025:

NO FEE

- 1 Government Procurement Alliance (1GPA)
- ESC 2 GoodBuy Purchasing Cooperative
- EPIC6 (Region 6)
- Region 8 ESC (TIPS)
- ESC 13 Purchasing Association of Cooperative Entities (PACE)
- Allied States Cooperative ESC19
- Brazos Valley Council of Governments / Purchasing Solutions Alliance (PSA)
- Choice Partners (Harris County Department of Education)
- OMNIA
- Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR)
- Equalis Group
- Central Texas Purchasing Alliance (CTPA)
- Purchasing Cooperative of America (PCA)

FEE

- BuyBoard Purchasing Cooperative \$0 for purchase of vehicles and buses
- Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (TXMAS) \$100 annual fee

RECOMMENDATION:

The administration recommends that the Board accept the report of fees paid by Huntsville ISD for purchasing cooperatives listed above.

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