

MEETING DATE: December 18, 2023

AGENDA ITEM: Consider Approval of Interlocal Agreement to Join Region 10 Education Service Center Multi-Region Purchasing Cooperative

PRESENTER: Earl Husfeld, Chief Financial Officer

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- As referenced in Board Policy CH (LEGAL) and Texas Government Code Chapter 791, Interlocal Cooperation Act, school districts may participate in a cooperative purchasing program to satisfy the laws requiring competitive procurement.
- The District's Business and Child Nutrition Departments are recommending the District's continued membership and participation in the Region 10 Education Service Center (ESC) Multi-Region Purchasing Cooperative (Cooperative).
- The District's Child Nutrition program has utilized this purchasing cooperative in prior years. However, on an annual basis, the Cooperative requires the Board of Trustees approval of the membership and participation agreement.
- All contracts in this purchasing cooperative are competitively bid and provide another avenue for the District to realize purchasing efficiencies and cost reductions. This Cooperative has historically provided excellent product prices to districts due to the large number of districts participating in the Cooperative.
- This purchasing cooperative does not require an annual fee from school districts, as it is funded through a Vendor Participation Fee.
- For your review and consideration, following is the completed Region 10 Education Service Center Multi-Region Purchasing Cooperative Interlocal Agreement.

FISCAL INFORMATION:

None, as there is no annual fee to school districts.

ATTACHMENTS:

Region 10 Education Service Center Multi-Region Purchasing Cooperative Interlocal Agreement

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

The Administration recommends the Board of Trustees approve the Interlocal Agreement between Region 10 Education Service Center and Aledo Independent School District allowing the District to join and participate in the Multi-Region Purchasing Cooperative as presented.