

Devine Independent School District Board of Trustees Agenda Document

Meeting Date: October 21, 2024

Agenda Item: Approve Bus Bids and Authorize Purchase from 2025-2026

Budget Year

Background Information:

According to CNB (Legal), Each contract proposed to be made by a district for the purchase or lease of one or more school buses, including a lease with an option to purchase, must be submitted to competitive bidding when the contract is valued at \$20,000 or more. *Education Code 44.031(l)*

When a contract for the purchase of school buses is valued at \$20,000 or more, the contract must be made either through competitive bidding or by purchasing the buses through the comptroller. *Atty. Gen. Op. LO-98-063 (1998)*

At the September 16, 2024 board meeting, the board approved going out for bids for two 77 passenger buses, one of which would have a lift. The bus with a lift is a custom order and will not be available this budget year.

Administrative Consideration:

The administration would like to request that the board approve the purchase of two 77 passenger buses based on the bids received. The administration would further like to request that since the lift bus cannot be delivered and paid for until the 2025-2026 budget year, that the Board of Trustees grant the superintendent authority to commit a purchase requisition in order to place an order for the lift passenger bus now based on the bid received and receive and pay for the bus from the 2025-2026 budget.

Budgetary Consideration:

Two 77 passenger buses to be paid from the 2024-2025 budget and one 77 passenger bus with a lift to be paid from the 2025-2026 budget.

Supporting Documents:

Bus Bids

Recommendation:

Approve the purchase of two 77 passenger school buses from the 2024-2025 budget and grant authority to the superintendent to commit a purchase requisition to the vendor for purchase of one 77 passenger bus with a lift from the 2025-2026 budget..

Respectfully Submitted by:

Todd Grandjean

Superintendent of Schools