

Information Item

Date: August 11, 2025 **Division**: Finance

Subject: Annual Report on LISD Membership with Purchasing Cooperative Contract(s) and Any

Related Fees

Background Information:

- Participation in interlocal agreements with purchasing cooperatives is authorized by Section 791 of the Texas Government Code. Purchasing cooperatives are intended to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of local government entities by authorizing them to contract with one another and with agencies of the state. State and national cooperatives offer quality, legal procurement, and contract solutions to meet purchasing requirements, allowing an entity to act immediately to access the contracts and services needed. These contracts provide the district the ability to compare costs of products and services that might not otherwise be available. The use of these programs provides efficiency and cost savings for the district.
- Purchasing cooperatives may allow the district to purchase items at a discounted rate.
 Pricing is structured for the benefit of multiple government entities with the expectation of a large volume spread across many districts.
- State statute (TEC 44.0331 states that (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 a contract-related fee, including a management fee, paid by or to the district 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.

Administrative Consideration:

Annual fees and rebates for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2024, are listed on the
attached Annual Report. The disposition of the fees paid was to the respective purchasing
cooperative. The rebates were credited back to the district.

LISD Vendor paid fees to Purchasing Cooperatives: \$73,442

LISD fees paid to Purchasing Cooperatives: \$250

Total fees paid to Purchasing Cooperatives: \$73,692

Purchasing Cooperative Rebates paid to LISD: \$35,378

• This item is for information only; no further action by the Board of Trustees is needed.

LISD Eligible Purchasing Cooperatives	LISD Fees Paid to Purchasing Cooperatives	LISD Vendor Fees Paid to Purchasing Cooperatives
1GPA (1 Governmental Procurement Alliance)	N/A	N/A
791 Purchasing Cooperative (Region 15 & Central TX Council Gov)	N/A	\$7.25
ASC (Allied States Cooperative) - Region 19	N/A	\$3,552.22
BuyBoard Cooperative Purchasing	N/A	N/A
CP (Choice Partners)	N/A	N/A
CTPA (Central Texas Purchasing Alliance)	\$150.00	N/A
DIR (Department of Information Resources)	N/A	\$40,939.50
Denton County	N/A	N/A
E&I Cooperative Services	N/A	\$1,644.00
Education Service Center Region 1	N/A	N/A
Education Service Center Region 10	N/A	N/A
Education Service Center Region 11	N/A	N/A
EPCNT (Educational Purchasing Cooperative of North Texas)	\$0.00	N/A
Education Service Center Region 6 (EPIC 6)	N/A	N/A
ESC Region 19 - Allied States Cooperative	N/A	N/A
GSA (US General Services Administration)	N/A	N/A
Goodbuy Purchasing Cooperative	N/A	N/A
Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC)	N/A	N/A
NCPA (National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance) - Region 14	N/A	N/A
OMNIA Partners	N/A	N/A
Purchasing Association of Cooperative Entities (PACE) - Region 20	N/A	N/A
SourceWell Purchasing Cooperative	N/A	N/A
State of Texas Cooperative Purchasing Program	\$100.00	N/A
Tarrant County Cooperative	N/A	N/A
TexBuy (Education Service Center Region 16)	N/A	\$1,140.00
The Purchasing Cooperative Network (TCPN)	N/A	N/A
TIPS / TAPS (The Interlocal Purchasing System / Texas-Arkansas Purchasing System) - Region 8	N/A	\$26,159.02
TPCC (Texas Purchasing Consortium Cooperative)	N/A	N/A
U.S. Communities	N/A	N/A
WTEPC (West Texas Educational Purchasing Cooperative)	N/A	N/A
Total Fees Paid to Purchasing Cooperatives	\$250.00	\$73,441.99