Amendment to EPCNT Interlocal Agreement

December 11, 2007

SUMMARY:

This item requests approval of an amendment to the Interlocal agreement for the Educational Purchasing Cooperative of North Texas, in order to clarify the payment arrangements, enforcement duties, and fiscal administrative issues.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

- Approval to participate in cooperative, January 25, 2005.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- The Educational Purchasing Cooperative of North Texas (EPCNT) is a cooperative that offers two types of procurement. EPCNT, as an independent entity, bids several items that are purchased by all cooperative members. This includes copy papers, and musical instruments. EPCNT, through individual school district members, bids many goods and services, and includes in the bid, an option for the vendor to sell to other cooperative school district members, the same goods/services at the same pricing as the bidding district.
- The district pays \$100 per year to participate in the cooperative.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

- The amendment clarifies certain sections of the Interlocal. It names the Lewisville ISD as the fiscal agent for the purposes of administering the cooperative. It also clarifies that the purchasing school district (not the original bidding school district) is responsible for vendor compliance, payment options and quantity of goods purchased.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

- None

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

- Passage will clarify sections 6 and 15 of the original agreement.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

- None

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

- None

ALTERNATIVES:

- No alternative actions are proposed

OTHER COMMENTS:

- None

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the amendment to the Interlocal agreement for the Educational Purchasing Cooperative of North Texas be accepted.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

- Kathy Arrington, Purchasing Agent
- Debbie Monschke, Executive Director of Budget and Finance

ATTACHMENT:

- Amendment to Interlocal agreement
- Letter from cooperative legal council

APPROVAL

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Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation:
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Signature of Divisional Leader:
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Signature of Superintendent:
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