



Lamar CISD

Board Agenda Item Overview

Meeting Date: April 16, 2024

Meeting Type: Regular

Item Category: Future Consent Item

Primary Contact: Dr. Roosevelt Nivens

Presenter(s)/Add'l Contact(s): Jill Ludwig, CPA, RTSBA, and Robert Langston, RTSBA

Item Name: DISCUSSION OF PURCHASING COOPERATIVE OF AMERICA (PCA)

Item Summary: Purchasing Cooperative of America (PCA) will provide Lamar CISD access to a variety of products and services through contracts procured using the State of Texas and EDGAR-compliant solicitations. Participating members of the cooperative include school districts, colleges, and municipalities. Utilizing this cooperative will allow the District to make efficient, compliant purchases using federal funds as well as local budgeted funds. Authority for such services is granted under Article 44.031 of the Texas Education Code. The purpose of this cooperative is to obtain substantial savings for members through volume purchasing. All procurements through this cooperative will be on an as-needed basis with prior approval of quotes and budget allowances.

This agreement will be effective upon approval by the Board of Trustees and will automatically renew unless either party gives 60-days prior written notice of non-renewal.

Recommendation: Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees consider approval of the interlocal agreement.

Policy Reference: CH (Legal and Local)

Leadership Definition Alignment: Plan for Success

Strategic Plan Alignment: N/A

Currently Budgeted? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ No Budgetary Impact

Completion or Implementation Timeline: 2023-2024 Fiscal Year