

Action Sheet

MEETING DATE: May 17, 2023

AGENDA ITEM: Discuss and Consider Approval of Purchase of 6 Buses

The voter approved Bond 2022 included funds to purchase school buses over the next five years. The District is recommending the purchase of five (5) 77 International passenger diesel buses from Longhorn Bus Sales at a price of \$164,896 each ($\$164,896 \times 5 = \$824,480$). In addition, the District is recommending the purchase of one (1) 58 passenger International diesel special needs bus from Longhorn Bus Sales at a price of \$171,885 each ($\$171,885 \times 1 = \$171,885$). All buses will be purchased utilizing the Buy Board Cooperative Purchasing Program with Contract #630-20. The existing buses selected for replacement range from 10-12 years old. The new buses recommended for purchase include the following safety features:

- Safety Vision camera system; 5 interior cameras and one front facing camera
- Intellipark Electronic parking brake (sets automatically to ensure no roll-away crashes if driver forgets to set parking brake)
- Illuminated LED stop arms and school bus signs for high visibility during inclement weather and nighttime driving conditions
- Eye Max illuminated crossover mirrors to illuminate the front of bus during student stops
- Bendix Wingman Fusion – collision mitigation system (lane departure warning, stationary object braking, camera and radar speed warning system, roadway departure warning)
- 3-point seatbelts

RECOMMENDATION: I move that the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of five 77 passenger buses and one 58 passenger bus from Longhorn Bus Sales using the Buy Board cooperative purchasing agreement, not to exceed \$ 996,365 from the voter approved Bond 2022 funds, as presented.



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