

ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE

MEETING DATE: April 21, 2025

AGENDA ITEM: Consider Approval of Purchase of Uninterrupted Power Supplies

PRESENTER: Brooks Moore, Chief Technology Officer

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

 Per Board Policy CH (Local), any single, budgeted purchase of goods or services that costs \$50,000 or more, regardless of whether the goods or services are competitively purchased, shall require Board approval before a transaction may take place.

- The District has had a practice of keeping critical networking equipment on Uninterrupted Power Supplies (UPS) to maintain network and safety communications in the event of a brown-out or short power outage. The UPS also provides an additional layer of protection against power surges that could damage the expensive networking equipment.
- UPS upgrades were included in budgeted amounts in the technology section of the 2023 Bond Program.
- This project will replace out of warranty equipment at Aledo Middle School, McAnally Middle School, and Vandagriff Elementary School.
- This project is eligible for e-rate funding, which is a federal program that provides discounts on telecommunications equipment for schools and libraries. This program is managed by the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC). Aledo ISD's current e-rate discount is 40% for eligible items.
- Administration conducted a request for proposal (RFP) process for this project and are recommending acceptance of the proposal submitted by Netsync.
- The Board of Trustees previously discussed this item at the February 17, 2025 regular board meeting.

FISCAL INFORMATION:

The total pre-discounted hardware and installation cost of this equipment is \$131,750.00 and will be paid from 2023 technology bond funds. Aledo ISD will receive a refund of \$44,832.50 from USAC, resulting in a net cost to the district of \$86,917.50 for this project.

ATTACHMENTS:

2025-04-27 - Netsync UPS Quote

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

The Administration recommends the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of uninterrupted power supplies from Netsync in the amount of \$131,750.00 as presented.