6.5 The Greenville RDSPD's accounts will be audited annually, as part of the fiscal agent's audit, by an outside audit firm. An independent audit is conducted each year at the Fiscal Agent's expense.

7 Non-Member Services

- 7.1 Students from school districts other than those Member Districts who are parties to this agreement ("non-member LEAs") will be considered for services/placement upon written request to the Auditory Lead Teacher or other Administrator with authority of the Fiscal Agent of the Greenville RDSPD. An authorized representative of the non-member LEA shall be present at a Management Board meeting to present information and any requested clarification of information regarding the need(s) of the student(s) seeking to access services. The Member District Boards of Trustees delegate authority to the Management Board to enter into contracts with non-member LEAs as set forth herein. The Member Districts acknowledge that it is TEA's expectation that services be provided to eligible students enrolled in non-member LEAs so that the intent of TEC Chapter 30, Subchapter D is met. In the event that the Management Board determines that providing services to students enrolled non-member LEAs would create an undue burden for the RDSPD SSA, the Greenville RDSPD coordinator shall refer the matter to TEA for review.
- 7.2 Factors to be considered by the Management Board when considering the non-member LEA's request for services/placement, include, but are not limited to: (1) the type of services needed; (2) whether additional Greenville RDSPD staff will have to be employed or engaged to serve the student; (3) whether the non-member LEA is a member of any other shared services arrangement; (4) whether the non-member LEA can pay all transportation costs for transporting the student and all travel costs of staff associated with serving the student, (5) whether the non-member LEA will agree to transfer funds applicable to the education of the student as AI to the Greenville RDSPD as appropriate and allowable; (6) whether the non-member LEA will pay all other costs incurred by Greenville RDSPD in providing educational services to the student(s); and (7) whether the non-member LEA will agree to assume responsibility for attorney's fees and costs associated with any legal action brought by the student or his or her parents.
- 7.3 The costs for providing Non-Member LEA educational services shall be in accordance with the fee schedule at Exhibit "A", as applicable and as may be amended from time to time by the RDSPD coordinator for the Fiscal Agent. Further, the non-member LEA seeking educational services will be assessed an administrative fee to cover all costs associated with the contract in the form attached as Exhibit "A".
- 7.4 The form of the Interlocal contract for non-member LEA educational services is attached as Exhibit "B".

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