



Brownsville Independent School District

Agenda Category: Conference Presentation Board of Education Meeting: 08/05/2025

Item Title:	Reporting of Fees Paid to Purchasing Cooperatives,		Action
	Which includes Membership, Management, and	<u>X</u>	Information
	Transaction Fees for Fiscal Year 2024-2025		Discussion

BACKGROUND:

In accordance with Texas Education Code Section 44.0331, school districts are required to submit an annual written report detailing all fees paid to Purchasing Cooperatives, including membership and management fees, along with the purpose of each fee under each contract. This report must be presented during an open meeting of the Board of Trustees and included as a formal agenda item.

In addition to this requirement, the District has elected to also report procurement activity with Purchasing Cooperatives that do not charge fees, to provide a comprehensive overview of cooperative usage.

The use of Purchasing Cooperatives supports the District in procuring goods and services when issuing formal solicitations may not be practical due to time constraints or emergency needs. Cooperative contracts also offer the advantage of volume pricing, which can result in cost savings compared to issuing separate solicitations.

Commodities available through Purchasing Cooperatives include but are not limited to:

- Athletic Supplies & Equipment
- Computers
- Instructional Software
- Construction & Agricultural Equipment
- Education & Curriculum Supplies & Materials
- Emergency Vehicles and Equipment
- Facilities Maintenance & Repairs
- Janitorial Supplies & Equipment


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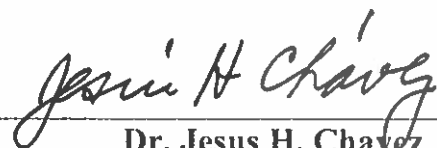
Submitted by: Principal/Procurement Services Director

Approved for Submission to Board of Education:

Recommended by: Asst. Supt./Exec. Dir.


Mary D. Garza

Approved by: Interim Chief Financial Officer


Dr. Jesus H. Chavez
Superintendent

When Necessary, Additional Background May Follow This.



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BACKGROUND (continued)

- Fleet Services, Parts & Equipment
- Flooring
- Food & Food Service Equipment
- Furniture, Healthcare, Fitness & Medical Supplies & Equipment
- Landscape & Grounds Maintenance
- Parks & Recreation
- School & Office Equipment & Supplies
- School Buses and Related Services
- Technology, Security & Communication Solutions
- Uniform & Related Apparel

Refer to attached report that details all fees paid for the fiscal year 2024-2025.



BISD PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT
Annual Report for Cooperative Fees
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Cooperative	Resolution Number	Fees Paid 2024-2025 School Year	Purpose of Each Fee	Transactions 2024-2025 School Year
Omnia Partners	001/24-25	\$0	N/A	\$6,318,724.88
The Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (TASB)	002/24-25	\$800	Processing charge of \$400 for small size motor vehicles and/or \$800 for large motor vehicles per purchase order	\$4,953,532.87
Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts	003/24-25	\$100.00	Participating Annual Fee of \$100	\$12,019,084.18
Houston Galveston Area Council (HGAC)	004/24-25	\$0	Processing charge of \$600 for small motor vehicles and \$1,000 for large motor vehicles per purchase order	\$2,170.33
Region 16 ESC Statewide Cooperative Purchasing Program (TexBuy)	005/24-25	\$0	N/A	\$61,732.85
Region One	006/24-25	\$0	N/A	\$255,158.42
Region One ESC, Library Services and Instructional Resources CO-OP	007/24-25	\$124,167.75	Participating Annual Fee of \$3.38 per Student	\$149,984.87
Region One Child Nutrition Program	008/24-25	\$0	N/A	\$13,992,695.55
Region VIII Education Service Center (ESC8) (TIPS)	009/24-25	\$0	N/A	\$2,242,053.64
Harris County Department of Education (Choice Partners)	010/24-25	\$0	N/A	\$999,893.91
Region XI Education Service Center Library	012/24-25	\$79,000.00	Participating Annual Fee of \$1,598 per Campus Library \$900 per Campus Library for < 300 enrollment	\$79,000.00



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TASB Energy Cooperative	013/24-25	\$0	N/A	\$0
Sourcewell	014/24-25	\$0	N/A	\$17,976.06
Education Services Center Region 19	015/24-25	\$0	N/A	\$60,981.73
Education Service Center Region 20 Purchasing Association of Cooperative Entities (PACE)	016/24-25	\$0	N/A	\$603,191.08
Texas Public Energy Solution, Inc. ("TPES") Purchasing Cooperative	017/24-25	\$0	N/A	\$0
Region 15 Education Service Center (ESC) Purchasing Cooperative	018/24-25	\$0	N/A	\$0