



MEETING OF: March 11, 2014

TITLE: Approval to Enter into a Cooperative Purchasing Agreement between Arizona Purchasing and Tucson Unified School District with Authorization for the Director of Purchasing to Execute the Agreement

ITEM #: 10

Information:

Study:

Action: X

PURPOSE:

Requesting approval to enter into an agreement with Arizona Purchasing (AZpurchasing.org) that would allow the District to adopt/incorporate the AZ Purchasing database as the Purchasing Department's designated official prospective bidder list, as required by the Arizona Administrative Code. AZ Purchasing will also post sealed solicitations, electronically transmit solicitations to bidders, register bidders and maintain bidder profiles.

DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

AZ Purchasing has been in existence since year 2000. Currently, over 63 Arizona School Districts/Public Agencies use the services of AZPurchasing including Mesa Public Schools, Catalina Foothills School District, Vail School District, Flowing Wells School District and many others.

Benefits to the District include instant access for bidders as well as for using school districts, audit compliance, reduced paper work, better on line communication, budget friendly with current technology that is maintained by AZ Purchasing. Estimated yearly dollar saving on materials and man hours are over \$10,000.

Kevin Startt, Director of Purchasing, will be present at the Board Meeting to answer questions regarding this agenda item.

This agenda item supports the Superintendent's Goals on Customer Service and Fiscal Responsibility.

BOARD POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

Compliance with Governing Board Policy DJ - Purchasing Procedures

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS:

For all Intergovernmental Agreements (IGAs), Initiator of Agenda Item provides the name of the agency responsible for recording the Agreement after approval:

For amendments to current IGAs, Initiator provides original IGA recording number:

Legal Advisor Signature (if applicable)

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:

X

District Budget

State/Federal Funds

Other

Budget Cost

Budget Code

Year 1=estimated

\$8K, \$6K/year

thereafter

Budget Certification (for use by Office of Financial Services only):

Date

I certify that funds for this expenditure in the amount of \$ are available and may be:

Authorized from current year budget

Authorized with School Board approval

Code:

Fund:

INITIATOR(S):

Kevin Startt, Director of Purchasing




2/28/2014

Name

Title

Date

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED/ ON FILE IN BOARD OFFICE:

ATTACHMENTS:
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 Executive Summary
 AZ Purchasing Agreement
 AZ Purchasing Powerpoint

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