



MEETING OF: April 14, 2015

TITLE: Partnership Agreement Between Tucson Unified School District and United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for Green Power

ITEM #: 19

Information:

Study:

Action: X

PURPOSE:

Tucson Unified School District Governing Board agrees to enter into a partnership agreement with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for Green Power.

DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for Green Power Partnership encourages the voluntary use of green power to reduce the risk of climate change. Partners benefit from the use of green power, while supporting the development of new, renewable energy in the United States.

TUSD commits to:

- *Use green power that meets or exceeds partnership requirements
- *Report on green power use annually
- *Use the Green Power mark that meets the Partner mark use guidelines.

EPA commits to:

- *Provide public recognition
- *Provide procurement and communication assistance, as requested by Partnership
- *Provide a brief description of the Partner's green power commitment on the Green Power Partnership Website.

General Terms:

- *Either party can terminate agreement at any time
- *Partner agrees that the activities it undertakes connected with the voluntary agreement are not intended to provide services to the federal government and that the Partner will not see compensation from the federal agency
- *Partner agrees that it will not claim or imply participation in Partnership constitutes EPA approval or endorsement on anything other than its participation in the program
- *EPA may post information about Partner's green power use publicly
- *EPA may periodically revise program benchmark levels or other eligibility requirements

Cost Requirement: NONE

Benefits:

- *Positive publicity and recognition to TUSD
- *Recognition Opportunities to include:
 - ***Top 30 K-12 Partner List as of January 2015 (First on list is Austin Independent School District with an annual green power usage of

15,429,999. TUSD's annual green power usage comes in at 19,565,739).
***Top 30 On-Site Partner List as of January 2015 (TUSD would fall in between 10th, City of San Diego, California and 11th, Kaiser Permanente/CA, CO, NW, and Mid-Atlantic Regions)
*Green Power Leadership Awards (These awards recognize the leaders that significantly advance the development of green power sources.

Tina Cook and Stuart Duncan will be available to answer questions.

BOARD POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

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:

_____	District Budget
_____	State/Federal Funds
_____	Other
<u>Budget Cost</u>	<u>Budget Code</u>
NONE	

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):

Tina Cook, Energy Projects Manager		03/31/15
Name	Title	Date

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED/ ON FILE IN BOARD OFFICE:

ATTACHMENTS:
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 Green Power Partnership Agreement