

MEETING OF: May 9, 2017

TITLE: Approval to use a Cooperative Contract to purchase Exceptional Education Technology Items in Excess of

\$250,000

ITEM #: 16

Information:

Study:

Action: X

PURPOSE:

To obtain Governing Board Approval for the purchase of Apple iPads for the Exceptional Education Department using a Mohave Educational Services Cooperative Contract that will exceed \$250,000.

DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

The Exceptional Education Department has a need to procure 1250 Apple iPads for student use. Due to the timeliness of this request and the limited options available for purchasing Apple products, it has been determined that using the Mohave Education Services Cooperative Contract as the contract vehicle for making this purchase would be in the best interests of the District.

Mohave Educational Services Cooperative performed a competitive process which resulted in just one response from Apple Educational after soliciting over 500 technology vendors. A determination for brand name specifications was completed by Mohave in accordance with Arizona Administrative Code R7-2-1011(c).

The Exceptional Education Department has included a written justification as to why they can use only the Apple iPads for this application. The justification was reviewed by our Chief Technology Officer, Scott Morrison, and by the Purchasing Department. The justification has been deemed acceptable, considering the unique software programs in use by Exceptional Ed that only operate on Apple devices and their proprietary operating system.

Due Diligence has been completed by the Purchasing Department on the Mohave cooperative contract to be used for this purchase and finds that it is in compliance with State and District procurement rules and policies. The pricing offered by the cooperative contract has been determined fair and reasonable.

Maura Clark-Ingle, Exceptional Education Director, will be present at the Board Meeting to answer questions regarding the District's need for this Technology Equipment.

Kevin Startt, Director of Purchasing, will be present at the Board Meeting to answer questions regarding the procurement process.

BOARD POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

In accordance 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: Budget Certification (for use by Office of** Financial Services only): **District Budget** Date I certify that funds for this expenditure in the amount of \$ are State/Federal Funds available and may be: Other Grant Funds Authorized from current year budget **Budget Cost Budget Code** Authorized with School Board approval 220.221.1000.6737.5076.20000.5076 \$521,143 Code: Fund: \$71,016 220.221.2190.6611.5076.20000.5076 INITIATOR(S): Kevin Startt, Director of Purchasing 4/27/2016 Name Title Date DOCUMENTS ATTACHED/ ON FILE IN BOARD OFFICE: **ATTACHMENTS:** Click to download Executive Summary Apple Mohave Estimate School Health Case Estimate Exceptional Ed Justification

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