



ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE

MEETING DATE: September 22, 2026

AGENDA ITEM: Consider Approval of Purchase of School Bus Order with 2023 Bond Program Funds

PRESENTER: Earl Husfeld, Chief Financial Officer

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Per Board Policy CH (Local), any single, budgeted purchase of goods or services that costs \$50,000.00 or more, regardless of whether the goods or services are competitively purchased, shall require Board of Trustee approval before a transaction may take place.
- As you are aware, included in the 2023 Bond Program was \$4,500,000.00 for the purchase of school buses. To date, the District has purchased a total of thirty (30) school buses in June 2023, May 2024, and October 2025 at a cost of \$4,288,303.75.
- Based on current needs, we are proposing the purchase of three (3) regular 77-passenger school buses for the Transportation Department.
- As we have previously shared with you, the number of students registered for bus transportation, and regularly riding our school buses, are at an all-time high.
- Several of our current bus routes are operating at or near capacity, making it necessary to redistribute students among routes and/or establish additional routes. It is anticipated these actions will lessen the likelihood of overcrowding on the adjusted routes and reduce student ride time.
- To ensure best pricing and value, the District utilized the TASB BuyBoard cooperative purchasing method to obtain the proposal on the following pages from Longhorn Bus Sales.
- As these are “stock” school buses, the projected delivery date is 30-60 days after receipt of the order.

FISCAL INFORMATION:

The \$486,539.00 (\$485,739.00 plus \$800.00 BuyBoard fee) purchase cost will be paid from the remaining 2023 Bond Program funds allocated for school buses with the balance of the cost coming from 2023 Bond Program interest income earnings.

ATTACHMENTS:

Quote from Longhorn Bus Sales

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

The Administration recommends the Board of Trustees approve the quote submitted by Longhorn Bus Sales in the amount of \$486,539.00 for the purchase of 3 school buses as presented.