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**Meeting: June 12, 2023**

**Category: Food Services**

**Subject: Award of Dairy Agreement, 2023-2024**

**Type: Action Item**

**Submitted by:** Joseph Cook, Food Services

**Summary Statement**: As members of the Antelope Valley Child Nutrition Co-Operative (AVCNC) and in accordance with language contained in Palmdale School District’s solicitation for dairy products under Palmdale School District RFP No. PSD-CN3-2023, Food Services is requesting to participate under this agreement with Driftwood Dairy for SY 2023-2024; approved by the Palmdale School District Board of Education on May 2, 2023. Food Services considers Driftwood Dairy a responsive vendor and continues to meet all conditions under the current agreement regarding product quality, availability, pricing and service.

Neighboring Districts including Acton-Agua Dulce, Palmdale, Lancaster, Keppel, Wilsona, Eastside and Westside all participate in the Antelope Valley Child Nutrition Co-Operative and adhere to the terms and conditions set forth in the agreement.

Driftwood Dairy based its pricing from data provided by the California Milk Producers Board. Pricing is updated monthly and monitored by Food Services Staff.

**Budget Implications:** Based on purchases in SY 2022-2023 Food Service’s is budgeting dairy purchases through Driftwood Dairy to be $500,000.00 in SY 2023-2024. Each District under this agreement is responsible for their purchases; the Antelope Valley Union High School District does not bear any financial or material responsibility from the other participating Districts.

**Recommended Action:** It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve Food Services’ participation in the AVCNC’s agreement with Driftwood Dairy for the SY 2023-2024.