

WICHITA FALLS ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES

April 18, 2016

Agenda Item:	16-26 E-Rate Category 1 Services: Fiber Data Transport and Broadband Internet Access		
Administrator Responsible:	Shad McGaha Chief Technology Officer		
Attachments:	No Attachments		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action Needed	<input type="checkbox"/> For Discussion	<input type="checkbox"/> Information	<input type="checkbox"/> Report

Administrative Information:

That the Wichita Falls Independent School District Board of Trustees accept as information the award of **16-26 E-Rate Category 1 Services: Fiber Data Transport and Broadband Internet Access** to **NTS Communications & AT&T** as submitted by Shad McGaha Chief Technology Officer, and as recommended by Michael S. Kuhrt, Superintendent of Schools.

Explanation:

Requests for Sealed Proposals pertaining to **E-Rate Category 1 Services: Fiber Data Transport and Broadband Internet Access** that routinely qualifies for the E-Rate reimbursement were posted on the Federal Website (USAC), WFISD's website as well as www.publicpurchase.com. The bid was advertised twice in the *Times and Record News*. Seven (7) Vendors received bid notification with Six (6) vendors responding.

Telecommunications Services	ATT	Cogent	Comcell	NTS	Skyrider	Zayo
Fiber Data Transport	1425	--	1599	1200	3189	1319
BroadBand Internet Access						
1GIG	3839	3150	3400	3400	4259	3200
2 GIG	4619	4660	4600	3735	6789	3616
3 GIG	5842	5893	5700	4070	8279	4086
4 GIG	6627	6329	6400	4405	10499	4617

This proposal was evaluated by Shad McGaha, *Chief Technology Officer* and Frank Murray, *Assistant Director of Technology* who recommend awarding the contract data to NTS Communications for Fiber Data Transport to Region 9. We would also like to recommend awarding to AT&T for 4 Gigs of Broadband Internet Access.

Fiscal Note:

A contingency contract will be sent to the awarded vendor upon board approval. This expenditure will be purchased with Technology budget funds, pending E-Rate funding. Multi-year awards require Board of Trustees approval per policy, CH Local.