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Item: Wide Area Network Fiber Maintenance

Submitted by: Glen Finkel

Date: 4.09.2025

Recommended by: Glen Finkel

Board Meeting Date: 4.21.2025

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Kent ISD School Board approve the revised quote from Turnkey Network Solutions for fiber maintenance services for the 2025-26 school year in the amount of \$135,553.22.

BACKGROUND:

In March of 2024, the Kent ISD School Board approved the fiber maintenance bid from Turnkey for the wide area network. Due to increased construction in the greater Grand Rapids area and the growth of residential fiber projects, Kent ISD has experienced greater than expected fiber maintenance.

The quote from Turnkey provides set pricing for fiber repair labor and materials. In addition, Turnkey provides an estimated annual cost which is used in the E-Rate process. The new quote from Turnkey provides services at the board-approved rate but raises the forecasted yearly cost by \$47,816.96.

Wide area network fiber maintenance is E-Rate eligible under category 1. Currently, Kent ISD is qualifying for a 60% reimbursement on Category 1 expenditures.