WICHITA FALLS ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES April 12, 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					
Action Needed	_ For Discussion 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	ATT	Cogent	Comcell	NTS	Skyrider	Zayo
Services						
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.