



ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE

MEETING DATE: December 18, 2023

AGENDA ITEM: Consider Approval of FIBER11 Internal Connectivity Service Agreement for Lynn McKinney Elementary School

PRESENTER: Brooks Moore, Executive Director of Technology

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- As you are aware, the Lynn McKinney Elementary School (LME) construction project is included in the 2023 Bond Program.
- As discussed during the November 13, 2023 board meeting, similar to all other campuses in the District, when this new campus opens a permanent fiber optic connection from the District's network operations center (NOC) to this new campus will be required.
- The District is eligible for discounts for all internet access services through the Schools and Libraries Program (E-Rate).
- In January 2018, the Board of Trustees approved the District's participation in the Fiber Infrastructure for Broadband Enhancement in Region 11 (FIBER11) consortium.
- This consortium is comprised of school districts within Education Service Center Region 11 (ESC11). The current consortium E-Rate discount is 58% compared to Aledo ISD's stand-alone E-Rate discount of 50%. Administration recommends using the Fiber11 consortium in order to take advantage of a deeper discount.
- For historical reference, FIBER11 construction cost for Annetta Elementary school was \$77,762 and McAnally Middle School was \$66,062. The Fiber11 E-Rate discount at that time was 67%

FISCAL INFORMATION:

Pending E-Rate approval, the FIBER11 cost of \$56,609 will be paid from 2023 Bond Program funds for Lynn McKinney Elementary School. In the event E-Rate approval is not received, the cost of \$113,217 will be paid from the same source.

ATTACHMENTS:

FIBER11 Internal Connectivity Service Agreement between Education Service Center Region 11 and Aledo ISD for Lynn McKinney Elementary School.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

The Administration recommends the Board of Trustees approve the FIBER11 Internal Connectivity Service Agreement between Education Service Center Region 11 and Aledo ISD as presented and authorize the Superintendent to execute said agreement.