

Executive Summary Finance Committee Meeting

DATE: March 24th, 2022 TOPIC: E Rate Category II – SHI Wireless Access Points / Firewall Renewals PREPARED BY: Jordan Stephen

Recommended for:

☑ Action☑ Discussion☑ Information

Purpose/Background:

The Administration has determined the need to replace a total of 35 wireless access points and related network switching hardware at Todd Hall. This hardware replacement was put out to bid through the E-Rate program. Also attached to the bid was the renewal of necessary firewall licensing and support. A total of four vendors submitted proposals. Of the four vendors submitting proposals, SHI earned the highest score. The Administration has attached SHI's Proposal, E-Rate Service Provider Evaluation Worksheet, and SHI's contract.

The District Legal Counsel has reviewed the Contract and found it acceptable. Counsel did also review the terms and conditions and although the majority of these are all standard, there is a line that does reference New Jersey law and venue that may be an issue. If the committee elects us to specify Illinois law and Cook County circuit court venue, we can ask the vendor to add that to their quote document.

Vendor	Total
SHI	\$84,792
Questivity	\$91,062.56
Relcomm	\$34,090.00/ Incomplete Proposal
Heartland Business Systems	Incomplete Proposal

Fiscal Impact:

The total cost is \$84,792. The District should anticipate an E-Rate reimbursement of \$33,916.80.

Recommendation:

It is the Administrative recommendation that the Finance Committee concurs to recommend to the Board of Education to accept this Contract from SHI for wireless access points, network switching equipment, licensing and filtering, maintenance, and support for the District Firewall in the amount of \$84,792.