

**Member Participation Agreement for Reduced Rates on Long Distance Services between
Denton ISD and Partnership of Verizon Business Services and MiCTA**

June 28, 2011

SUMMARY:

- This item requests approval for Verizon long distance services through Verizon Business Services agreement with MiCTA, an association made up of non-profit colleges, universities, K-12 school systems, and other non-profit entities.

BOARD GOAL: VI. Growth, Change & Fiscal Responsibility

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

- This same contract was signed at the March 8, 2011 Board meeting but Verizon neglected to include the Erate information necessary for our school district discounts.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Verizon is our current long distance provider.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

- MiCTA members are a consortium of K-12 schools, colleges, etc. that as a group, can secure a **lower** price offering for telecommunication services.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

- Will impact operational funding by reducing the cost of long distance services.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

- Passage will allow Denton ISD to receive the Erate discounts

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

- None

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

- None

ALTERNATIVES:

- No alternative actions are proposed as we are a Verizon territory.

OTHER COMMENTS:

- None

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

- The Superintendent recommends approval of the contract.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

- Ernie Stripling, TIO

ATTACHMENT:

- MiCTA Member Participation Agreement

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____