ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approve a contract to purchase fiber optic wide area network (WAN) maintenance and service from Capco Communications for the Academic Technology and Networking Services department.

BACKGROUND

The contract will provide a fiber optic WAN maintenance and service agreement for the District and Collin County.

A request for proposal (RFP) Number 3975, was issued to procure a fiber optic WAN maintenance and service agreement. One (1) response was received and evaluated by a team consisting of Academic Technology and Networking Services staff who determined the bid submitted by Capco Communications was determined to be both responsible and responsive to all solicitation requirements.

IMPACT OF THIS ACTION

The fiber optic WAN maintenance and service agreement provides replacement of the equipment to a replacement utility pole, splicing and testing broken or damaged equipment, all repairs to include the new fiber cable when necessary to effect minor repairs and ongoing support of the network to include moving the aerial fiber due to street widening, outages by non-insured drivers, disruption of underground facilities and other non-District related incidents. Capco Communications provided the initial installation of the WAN in 2001 and has provided outstanding service and maintenance of the WAN since.

BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)

The five (5) year estimated expenditure is \$327,500.00. This expenditure is funded by the Academic Technology and Networking Services 2016-2017 operating budget and subsequent year's budget, subject to Board approval. The estimated expenditure reflects the District's anticipated expenditures only.

MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE

The term of contract will be five (5) years beginning September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2021.

RESOURCE PERSONNEL

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