



ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE

MEETING DATE: June 20, 2016

AGENDA ITEM: Consider Approval of Resolution for Schools and Libraries Universal Services (E-Rate) for 2016-2017

PRESENTER: Earl Husfeld

ALIGNS TO BOARD GOAL(S): Financial/Facilities – The District shall exhibit excellence in financial and facility planning, management, and stewardship.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- The Schools and Libraries Universal Service Program, commonly known as “E-Rate”, is a federal program created in the late 1990s to assist schools and libraries in the United States with obtaining affordable telecommunications and Internet access.
- The E-Rate Program provides discounts of up to 90% to qualifying schools and libraries for eligible services and/or equipment.
- The E-Rate Program is administered by the Schools and Libraries Division of the Universal Service Administrative Company.
- The Aledo ISD has contracted with the firm of Kellogg and Sovereign Consulting, LLC to provide E-Rate Management Services to the District.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATIONS:

- The Resolution on the following page is required to be presented to the Board of Trustees for action each year the District participates in the E-Rate Program.
- The Resolution authorizes filing of the Form 471 application for funding year 2016-2017 and the payment of the applicant’s share upon approval of funding and receipt of services.
- Based upon E-Rate Program eligibility and funding guidelines, the District anticipates receiving a 10% discount on the requested services.

FISCAL NOTE:

The District’s, or Applicant’s, share (90%) of the funded services will be included in the 2016-2017 budget.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

The Administration recommends the Board of Trustees approve the Resolution for Schools and Libraries Universal Services (E-Rate) for 2016-2017 as presented.

