

To: Board of Education

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Re: Contract for Internet, Fiber & Voice Services

Date: June 9, 2016

Background:

The district's current Internet and fiber contracts with WOW! and KanRen expire on June 30, 2016. These services are E-Ratable.

Rationale:

In order to continue to receive E-Rate assistance for the Internet, fiber and voice contracts, the request for services had to be sent out to bid. The district filed a Form 470 with assistance from our E-Rate representative to receive new contract bids for these services. After bid opening and assessing the quotes, WOW! won the bid which reflects monthly charges and a substantial cost savings over last year.

Recommendation:

Administration recommends entering into a five-year (5-year) contract with WOW! for fiber, Internet and voice services for the monthly service charge amount of \$21,296.27 to be paid out of Technology General Fund. This also qualifies to be partially funded by a federal program called E-Rate.

Motion:

"I move the Board of Education approve a five-year (5-year) contract with WOW! for fiber, Internet and voice services for the monthly service charge amount of \$21,296.27."