

**ADOPTED MINUTES
OF THE
NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Mission: "To graduate students with skills and knowledge to be good citizens."

A special meeting of the Northwest Arctic Borough School District Board of Education was called to order at 12:05 p.m. on Tuesday, April 07, 2015 in the Boardroom located in the District Office by President, Sandy Shroyer-Beaver.

CALL TO ORDER

Board Members present were:

ROLL CALL

Tillie Ticket
Brad Reich
Erica Nelson
Bobby Wells
Angela Washington
David Miller
Eunice Hadley
Lawrence Jones, Sr.
Sandy Shroyer-Beaver

Board Member absent and excused were:

Margaret Hansen
Paula Mills

A quorum was present.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Observed.

INTRODUCTION TO
STAFF

Staff members present were: Dr. Annmarie O'Brien-Superintendent, Ralph King-Assistant Superintendent and Marie Nelson-Gregg-Secretary for the Board/Superintendent.

E-RATE BID AWARD;
GCI, INC.

Board approval is required for contracts exceeding \$25,000. NWABSD relies heavily upon E-Rate Subsidies for all of its communications including internet, video conferencing, and email service. Request for Proposals (RFP) to identify a vendor to provide those services for the next three years was advertised, and the bidding process was opened. Two vendors submitted bids; GCI and DRS. The bids were scored by the evaluation team based on the criteria in the RFP. GCI scored the highest in this evaluation and should be selected as the vendor to provide the NWABSD with Internet and videoconferencing services. School Access Service Agreement SA-649 E-Rate eligible annual recurring charges total \$5,166,180 per year for three (3) years. Pending USAC approval of the new 2015-2016 E-Rate funding application the district will receive funding discount currently calculated at 90%; the district is responsible for the remaining 10%, or \$516,618 per year, for three (3) years. School Access Service Agreement SA-650 E-Rate non-eligible annual recurring charges total \$36,000 per year for three (3) years. NWABSD is responsible for this entire amount. Based on a 90% discount rate, the total discounted amount for both contracts is \$520,218.00 per year for three (3) years. The administration recommended the Board award the E-Rate bid to GCI, Inc., in the amount of \$5,202,180 per year for three (3) years; to provide internet and videoconferencing services as presented.

ACTION

Motion made by Brad Reich, seconded by David Miller to award the E-Rate bid to GCI, Inc., in the amount of \$5,202,180 per year for three (3) years; to provide internet and videoconferencing services as presented.

Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Board approval is required for purchases exceeding \$25,000. The FCC adopted the E-Rate Modernization order in July 2014. This order ensures greater access to E-Rate support for Wi-Fi networks. Upon approval the school district will purchase equipment, from Intelli-Tech, to improve/upgrade network management and capabilities. The total E-Rate purchase from Intelli-Tech is not to exceed \$300,000, however with E-Rate discount districts actual cost will not exceed \$45,000. The administration recommended the Board approve the purchase of network infrastructure equipment, from Intelli-Tech, for amount not to exceed \$300,000 with district obligation not to exceed \$45,000 contingent on E-Rate funding as presented.

APPROVAL OF
PURCHASE FROM
INTELLI-TECH

Motion made by Brad Reich, seconded by Angela Washington to approve the purchase of network infrastructure equipment, from Intelli-Tech, for amount not to exceed \$300,000 with district obligation not to exceed \$45,000 contingent on E-Rate funding as presented.

ACTION

Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

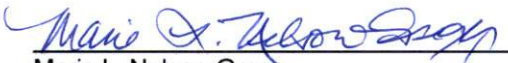
Motion made by Brad Reich, seconded by David Miller to adjourn the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

With unanimous consent, the meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.



Tillie Ticket,
Board Secretary



Marie L. Nelson-Gregg,
Recording Secretary