

BOARD OF EDUCATION
LINCOLN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 298
LINCOLN, KANSAS

SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES

BOARD OF EDUCATION
CONFERENCE ROOM
TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2018
7:00 A.M.

Board Members:

D. Bell
M. Breneman
J. Eckhart
TJ Jonsson
P. Winters
R. Wright
D. Zachgo

Others:

Kathy Robertson, Supt.
Greta Obermueller, Clerk
Steve Koch, LES Principal
Christi Walter, LJSHS Principal
Brenda White

Special Meeting

1. The Special Meeting was called to order at 7:00 a.m. by Monty Breneman, President.
2. Motion by Debora Zachgo, seconded by David Bell, to adopt the agenda.
Aye-7 No-0
3. Brenda White, District Technology Coordinator, was on hand to speak to board members on E-Rate proposals for Priority 1 and Priority 2. E-Rate funding comes from USF, which is a division of the FCC, and carries a financial requirement for schools to be responsible for 20 percent of what is funded by E-Rate. Information was distributed for bid evaluation and for the renewal of E-rate funding for the 2018-19 school year. Equipment, including wireless access points and battery backups, separate bid evaluations for maintenance were all topics of discussion with questions asked and answered. She explained that the district would be bidding on the equipment, on maintenance and installation. Board members asked for Mrs. White's recommendation on the bids before them.
4. Motion by Jeana Eckhart, seconded by TJ Jonsson, to accept the recommendation of Mrs. White to use Eagle Communications, Inc. for Priority 2 equipment.
Vote: Aye-7 No-0
5. Motion by Debora Zachgo, seconded by Rhonda Wright, to accept the recommendation of Mrs. White to use Eagle Communication, Inc. for maintenance at the \$6,000 level. Aye-7 No-0

6. Mrs. White detailed the final portion of the E-Rate bidding process regarding the equipment that would be needed to be compatible with switches and other equipment; NRC - non-recurring cost; WAN connectivity, lit fiber, dark fiber, and the need to allow for growth from 1 gig to 10 gig. Lit fiber means the vendor owns the equipment on each end to light the fiber to make it work. The vendor owns, maintains and replaces the equipment. Dark fiber means the vendor lays the fiber, and the school purchases and owns the equipment on each end to light the fiber. After questions and discussion in order to make the best decision regarding the various options available and the best fit to our district, the board took a short break from E-Rate discussion to hold the negotiation portion of the meeting.
7. Motion by Patti Winters, seconded by David Bell, that U.S.D. #298 Board of Education go into executive session at 7:26 a.m. for 15 minutes with the Superintendent for the purpose of discussing matters relating to employer-employee negotiations whether or not in consultation with the representative or representatives of the body or agency; and that the board return to open meeting at 7:41 a.m. in the conference room. The executive session is required to protect the district's right to the confidentiality of its negotiation position, and the public interest. Aye-7 No-0

7:41 a.m. The Board returned to open meeting in the conference room.
8. Motion by Patti Winters, seconded by Jeana Eckhart, that U.S.D. #298 Board of Education enter into a contract with Eagle Communications Inc. for the lit fiber and equipment for a three year period with the district purchasing the equipment as proposed with the understanding that the district will be paying 20 percent through e-rate. Vote-7 No-0
9. Motion by Rhonda Wright, seconded by TJ Jonsson, that U.S.D. #298 Board of Education accept the proposed CTE Advisory Pathway Committee members for 2018-19 as listed in Addendum #1. Vote-7 No-0
10. Motion by TJ Jonsson, seconded by David Bell, that the meeting be adjourned. Aye-7 No-0

Time: 7:46 a.m.

Greta Obermueller, Clerk

Approved:

Monty Breneman, President