

CHICO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Special Session Meeting – June 7, 2006

Closed Session – 6:15 P.M.

Special Session – 7:00 P.M.

**Chico City Council Chambers
421 Main Street, Chico, CA 95928**

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. CLOSED SESSION

**2.1 Update on Labor Negotiations
Employee Organizations:**

CUTA

CSEA, Chapter #110

Other Representatives:

Bob Feaster, Assistant Superintendent

Kelly Staley, Assistant Superintendent

Randy Meeker, Assistant Superintendent

Counsel: Greg Einhorn, Attorney at Law

**2.2 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation per Government Code §54956.9(a)
Sloan v. CUSD et al
Representatives:**

Chet Francisco, Superintendent

Bob Feaster, Assistant Superintendent

Kelly Staley, Assistant Superintendent

Randy Meeker, Assistant Superintendent

Other Representatives:

Counsel: John Kelley, Attorney at Law

If Closed Session is not completed before 7:00 p.m., it will resume immediately following the regular meeting.

3. CONVENE TO SPECIAL SESSION – 7:00 P.M.

3.1 Call to Order

3.2 Closed Session Announcements

3.3 Flag Salute

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

4.1 Consider approval of BCOE Erate Internet Service Provider Agreement.

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION

5.1 2006-2007 Preliminary Budget Presentation by Business Services. Information only, no action required.

6. ADJOURNMENT

PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM: BCOE Erate Internet Service Provider Agreement

X Consent
 Information Only
 Discussion/Action

Board Date: June 7, 2006

Background Information

The Schools and Libraries Program of the Universal Service Fund makes discounts available to eligible schools and libraries for telecommunication services, Internet access, and internal connections. The program is intended to ensure that schools and libraries have access to affordable telecommunications and information services. The source of funding for this program is from a fee collected from telecommunication service providers.

This agreement paves the way for our Internet Service Provider (ISP), Butte County Office of Education, to provide Gigabit (fiber optic) connectivity to 88% of schools within CUSD, at a discounted rate of approximately 56%.

This project is possible because all schools in Butte County have agreed to participate in the Erate program to increase "backbone" bandwidth through the Butte Education Network (BEN).

Education Implications

With Gigabit Internet speed, CUSD classrooms will be able to access online educational materials with lightning speed. In addition to providing routine access to Internet resources, this project will allow top-quality video conferencing directly to the classroom. CUSD already has the equipment necessary for video conferencing.

Fiscal Implications

The project timeline will span three years, and our local "match" for the project will come from Redevelopment Funds. There is a positive impact on the General Fund in that ISP fees for the 3-year period will not be charged to the General Fund. Also, by utilizing dedicated fiber strands, there is a potential for substantial long term savings by decreasing fees normally paid to telecommunications companies on a month-to-month basis.

Recommendation

The requested recommendation is that Randy Meeker, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services, be authorized to enter into an agreement.

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January 26, 2006

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This is the 2nd year of a multi-year contract, re-signed for Erate documentation for Year 9.



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RE: Internet Services Agreement – Erate Y9

Dear: **Steven Rudy - Assistant Superintendent**

This letter will confirm our decision to purchase Internet Services from your company for E-rate funding for the period 7/1/05 to 6/30/09 as specified in the RFP posted on the form 470 or documents distributed on the job walk. The procurement of these product(s)/service(s) will depend upon the following conditions:

1. Final approval of next year's CUSD fiscal budget.
2. Contract confirmation by next year's school board.
3. Award of associated E-rate funding.
4. BCOE will provide Internet Access services that are acceptable and applicable under the Federal Communication Commission rules for Universal Service Fund (E-Rate) subsidy under the Telecommunications Act of 1996.
5. The Internet Access services provided for the District under this agreement are for daily operational support that is E-Rate eligible as specified under Internet Access (infrastructure that facilitates internet access). In addition, eligible services necessary for Internet Access will be provided. Specific services to be provided include: Internet Access from each school, maintenance of this service, as well as Domain Name Service, Firewall service, web hosting, and email service. The support and maintenance of this equipment under this agreement are limited to E-Rate eligible services as described on the web posting of Eligible services list, CC docket No. 96-45. No other services will be a part of this agreement that is not E-rate eligible. The contract price is \$385,048.81.
6. This contract price includes the entire "pre-discount" amount as shown in line 23i of block 5 of form 471. The district will only be liable to pay BCOE the pre-discount amount minus the "funding commitment request," line 23k or amounts for said calculation as shown on the actual funding commitment decision letter. Further the district may elect to proportionally reduce the costs of the project, both SLD and district funded portions, due to reduction in the scope as needed to meet the district's need at the actual time of funding.

Sincerely,

Authorized District Signature
Name: Randy Meeker
Title: Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Date: January 26, 2006

Authorized Vendor Signature
Name: Steven Rudy
Title: Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Date: January 26, 2006