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MEMORANDUM

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TO: THE KANSAS CITY KANSAS BOARD OF EDUCATION
FROM: Dr. Cynthia Lane, Superintendent of Schools
DATE : April 7, 2015
SUBJECT: ACCEPT LOW BID FOR LIBRARY SWITCHES (E-RATE)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Kansas City, Kansas Board of Education **accept the low bid meeting the written requirements of the bid document for switches from Technology Group Solutions (TGS) in the amount of \$28,485.75** as submitted by Robert Young, Director of Purchasing, Dr. Kelli E. Mather, Chief Financial Officer, and as recommended by Dr. Cynthia Lane, Superintendent of Schools.

EXPLANATION

Background

Sealed bids for networking switches were received on March 18, 2015 in the office of the Purchasing Department. Bids were sent to five (5) firms and publicly advertised in the District's legal publication. Bid responses were received from 4 vendors. Attached is a bid analysis of the cost proposals received from DataLink, Technology Group Solutions, JMA Info Tech and C&C Group. It is anticipated that this acquisition is will be supported fully or mostly by funding through E-Rate (Universal Service Administration Company & Schools and Libraries Division).

A bid tabulation is attached.

Why This is Important

Replacement of existing switches and additional switches at the Library's data centers is necessary to accommodate expanded data transmission requirements of the libraries, and ensure consistent and faster services.

Strategic Framework Priority

- Provide quality learning and working environments
- Good stewards of resources and financial accountability.

What Action is the Board Being Asked to Consider?

It is requested that the Board approve the low bid recommendation from TGS, meeting the requirements of the written bid.

Recommended by:

Dr. Cynthia Lane
Superintendent of Schools

Submitted by:

Dr. Kelli E. Mather
Chief Financial Office

Robert Young
Director of Purchasing