

BOARD OF EDUCATION UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 443

Ford County, Dodge City, Kansas

Board of Education Special Meeting

Wednesday, August 5, 2020

4:00 PM

District Office Building

2112 N. First Ave, Dodge City, KS 67801

AI - Action Item DI - Discussion Item IO - Information Only

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
- (AI) 3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
- (AI) 4. APPROVAL OF BID FOR WI-FI EQUIPMENT
- (AI) 5. ADJOURN

**Additional information for the Special Board Meeting on
Wednesday, August 5, 2020**

(Documents added after the original print on July 31, 2020.)

**Board of Education
Dodge City Public Schools**

Date: August 5, 2020	Subject: Approval of Hot Spot Devices for Remote Learning for Students
Initiated By: Ray Wipf & Simeon Russell	Attachments: None
Reviewed By: Administrative Cabinet	

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Hot Spot devices are a necessity due to the Covid -19 Pandemic to facilitate Remote Learning opportunities for families who choose this learning option.

CURRENT CONSIDERATIONS: As part of the Remote Learning Plan for USD443, it is necessary to provide internet access to parents and families who do not have WIFI access at home. An RFP was sent to ATT, Verizon, Kajeet, and United Wireless. Verizon, ATT, and KEEJET bids were received on time. To equalize the bids, calculations were based on the cost of the device plus the monthly service charge based on 9 months.

Totals:

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| 1. United Wireless | \$405,000 |
| 2. Verizon Wireless | \$559,900 |
| 3. Kajeet | \$606,351.86 |

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS: United Wireless submitted the lowest bid in the amount \$405,000. The costs of the hot spot devices in the amount of \$405,000 will be paid from Contingency Funds.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: The Board of Education is respectfully request to approve and bid for the purchase of the hot spot devices to facilitate the Remote Learning Plan set forth by the district from United Wireless in the amount of \$405,000, to be paid from Contingency Funds. The Board is further respectfully requested to authorize the Board Clerk to issue a purchase order to United Wireless and sign a contract, subject to review by Board Counsel.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

- ☒ Approval
☐ Information
☐ Discussion