# BARTLETT CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION Special Called Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 20, 2014
Bartlett City Hall Council Chambers
6400 Stage Road, Bartlett
8:50 PM

#### Invocation

Opening Prayer by Mr. Joey Meyer

#### Roll Call

Chairman Norris called the meeting to order at 8:50 p.m. The following Board Members were present:

Ms. Erin Berry

Mr. David Cook

Ms. Shirley Jackson

Mr. Bryan Woodruff

Chairman Jeff Norris

#### **Announcement of Meeting Purpose**

Chairman Norris stated the purpose was to consider E-Rate Contracts.

#### **Public Comments**

No public comment.

#### **Board Action Items**

A. New Board Business

E-Rate Contracts (Local phones and Internet Access)

## BARTLETT CITY SCHOOLS A RESOLUTION CONCERNING AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN "E-RATE" CONTRACTS

WHEREAS, The Schools and Libraries Program of the Universal Service Fund (or "E-Rate Program") provides discounts to assist most schools and libraries in the United States to obtain affordable telecommunications and internet access; and WHEREAS, Bartlett City School System has employed the services of an experienced E-Rate consultant to guide the school system's application to the program; and

WHEREAS, Bartlett City School System has participated in an RFP process for cellular service, Wide Area Network (or "WAN") service, internet service, and telephone service as part of a consortium with the other six Shelby County municipal school districts; and

WHEREAS, An independent team of evaluators have rated the respondents to the E-Rate RFPs and passed on their scores to the municipal superintendents; and

WHEREAS, The Bartlett Superintendent has made recommendations for providers of, WAN service, internet service, and telephone service; and

WHEREAS, The timely execution of contracts with recommended service providers will allow for possible realization of E-rate discounts;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BARTLETT CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION, that the Superintendent be authorized and directed to enter into contracts with the vendors for WAN service, internet service, and telephone service that were identified through the E-Rate RFP process.

On this	day of	, 2014.
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Jeff Norris, Board Chairman		David Stephens, Superintendent

Chairman Norris requested that the Resolution regarding E-Rate Contracts be read into the record by the Board Secretary, Bethany McConville.

Board Member Woodruff stated for the record that he is employed by XO Communications, which is involved in the contract and he has a Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement on file. He will abstain from voting on this item.

Chairman Norris moved to approve the Resolution authorizing Superintendent Stephens to sign E-Rate Contracts. Board Member Cook seconded the motion. Chairman Norris requested a Roll Call Vote.

Aye
Aye
Aye
Abstain
Aye

With four (4) Ayes, zero (0) No, and one (1) Abstain, the motion to approve the Resolution carried.

### Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Jeff/Norris

Chairman

David A. Stephens

Superintendent