



PUTNAM COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #535

Recommendation for the Board of Education

Meeting: May 19th, 2026

Item: Approval of Fiber Lease Agreement

Recommendation: I recommend the Board of Education approve the three-year lease agreement with McNabb Telephone Company to company the dark fiber that provides Internet connectivity to the schools. This agreement was first approved in 2021, at which time the fiber installation was nearing completion. McNabb Telephone Company has provided a proposal (\$914.40) that is less than the original rates (\$1,040 per month). The District uses eRate to cover 70% of these costs.