

USD 415 board approves new phone system

**(KNZA)--A new phone system will be installed in Hiawatha school district buildings.**

**The USD 415 Board of Education Monday evening accepted a bid from Rainbow Communications for the installation of an internet-based phone system at a cost of \$14,126, which the district will lease. In addition, there will be monthly recurring charges of \$4,240, which includes the phone lease as well as all phone, internet, and fax services along with federal and state taxes.**

**Rainbow made a presentation to the board at last month's meeting.**

**On Monday evening, the Board heard a presentation from another company, WANSecurity of Overland Park, for a phone upgrade.**

**Following discussion, the Board voted to go with Rainbow.**

**The phone upgrade is to be completed in three phases.**

**In other business, the Board accepted the lone bid received by Midwest Coating, of Topeka, for the replacement of the bus barn roof at a cost of \$31,697. District Maintenance Supervisor Matt Cluck said the current metal roof is leaking.**

**Following an executive session, the Board approved a four percent pay raise for all classified staff, effective August 5.**

**The Board also approved a four percent pay raise for all administrative staff, effective with the 2019-20 school year.**

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