



Board Meeting Date: 8/10/2026

Title: Enterprise Resource Planning Software Contract Award

Type: Consent

Presenter(s): Mert Woodard – Executive Director, Finance & Operations

Description: The District's enterprise resource planning (ERP) software supports finance and human resources operations across the organization. To ensure the District is served by a system that meets its current security, internal control, integration, and reporting requirements, the administration engaged its procurement agent to source a cloud-based ERP platform via a request for proposals (RFP). Three vendors responded to the District's RFP - PowerSchool, Region 1, and Skyward.

Based on the District's required specifications the administration has determined it advantageous to award the contract to Skyward, Inc. for its Qmlativ School Business Suite.

The proposal from Skyward totals \$808,912 over six years, consisting of \$362,164 in one-time implementation, data migration, and training costs. License fees are held flat for the first four years of the agreement. Implementation would begin following execution of the agreement, with a target go-live date of between October 1, 2027 and April 1, 2028.

The administration expects the District to save approximately \$189,929 in overall cost by transitioning from its current provider to Skyward.

Recommendation: Authorize the Executive Director of Finance & Operations to execute all documents necessary to award the Enterprise Resource Planning software contract to Skyward, Inc. and to enter into the related cloud hosting agreement with ISCorp.

Desired Outcomes from the Board: Compliance with Minn. Stat. § 471.345 Subd. 3 and District Policy 707.

Attachments:

1. ERP RFP Summary - 2026
2. Skyward ERP RFP Submittal – 2026
3. Powerschool ERP RFP Submittal – 2026
4. Region 1 SMART ERP RFP Submittal - 2026