



**FOREST LAKE AREA SCHOOLS  
FOREST LAKE, MN 55025**

**April 6, 2017**

**AGENDA ITEM: 10.2**

**TOPIC: TIES SOFTWARE PRODUCTS: SYNERGY STUDENT SYSTEMS AND E-FINANCE PLUS FINANCIAL SYSTEMS**

**BACKGROUND:** The School District has been utilizing TIES HR/Finance Pay and TIES Student System software for decades. TIES has conducted a review of available software products and has determined to discontinue support of TIES HR/Finance Pay and TIES Student System software.

**PROCESS:** TIES and its member district partners, including personnel from Forest Lake Area Schools, went through an extensive RFP process and reached decisions on the purchases of new student system and financial system software packages. A number of vendors responded to the requests for proposals and ultimately TIES and the involved partners chose Synergy and E-Finance Plus. Our district staff further reviewed both of these products during this past year and recommend their implementation in the 2017-2018 school year.

**RECOMMENDATION:** First reading to approve use of Synergy as the student software system and E-Finance Plus and the financial software system.