
TIES Update

Mahtomedi Public Schools
April 26, 2018



Dissolution Timeline

- **December 20, 2017**
Joint Powers Board recommends two options for districts:
Dissolution or Reformation
- **January 18, 2018**
TIES Executive Committee makes resolution recommending
dissolution of the Joint Powers Agreement
- **January 24, 2018**
Districts vote nearly unanimously for dissolution



National Joint Powers Alliance

- **January 23, 2018**

NJPA submits a letter of intent to pursue due diligence in consideration of purchasing TIES and has exclusive rights to negotiate until March 30, 2018

- **April 19, 2018**

NJPA presents their proposal to TIES Executive Committee

- **April 25, 2018**

TIES calls special meeting for Superintendents to hear NJPA proposal

- **June, 2018**

National Joint Powers Alliance will be rebrand as Sourcewell



NJPA Proposal

“NJPA has enough info and confidence to proceed with confidence.”

“Their initial plan will be to offer the same services, serviced by the same people, for the same price, but without the membership fee for at least the next three years.”



NJPA Proposal

Proposed Owner Impact

- All the products will remain in place at the current 17-18 prices
- Historical data is safe in the data warehouse and will continue to be available
- Future TIES budget deficit obligations are gone (excluding building)
- The building assets remains ours for future benefit. (currently owe \$2.8 million)
- Elimination of member fee as part of doing business with Sourcewell.



NJPA Proposal

Assumptions in Proposal

- Effective date of the transaction will be July 1
- Districts who have not given notice to leave a particular service are projected to be on the service for 18-19
- Estimated payment \$17-23 per student for FY19
- If the building sells, the estimated payment could drop
- No membership fee for 18-19 and moving forward, but there will be regular product and service fees



ISD832 Current Relationship with TIES

Annual Fees	Price Per Pupil	2017-18 Student Count	Subtotal
Program Fee (Ownership)	\$5.00	3252	\$16,260.00
Student System (Synergy)	\$12.75	3252	\$41,463.00
Finance/HR/Payroll	\$20.50	3252	\$66,666.00
Business Intel/Analytics (Cognos)	\$5.00	3252	\$16,260.00
i-Cue	\$2.50	3252	\$8,130.00
Disaster Recovery	\$0.78	3252	\$2,536.56
TOTAL	\$46.53		\$151,315.56



Synergy SIS

	Edupoint		Region 1	
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 1	Year 2
SYNERGY STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEM				
PK-12 SIS Software	\$11,212.00	\$11,492.00	\$25,203.00	\$25,959.00
- ParentVUE/StudentVUE Portals	\$2,803.00	\$2,873.00	(included)	(included)
- TeacherVUE Gradebook	\$6,540.00	\$6,704.00	(included)	(included)
Hosting	\$11,138.00	\$11,416.00	\$4,878.00	\$4,976.00
Implementation and Services				
- Set up and transfer Synergy database	(included)	NA	(included)	NA
- Install/apply existing SQL extracts	(included)	NA	(included)	NA
- Review current Synergy configuration	(included)	NA	(included)	NA
Sub-Total	\$31,693.00	\$32,485.00	\$30,081.00	\$30,935.00
	\$64,178.00		\$61,016.00	



Synergy Special Ed

	Edupoint		Region 1	
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 1	Year 2
SYNERGY SPECIAL EDUCATION				
PK-12 Student Special Ed Software	\$5,691.00	\$5,833.00	\$8,455.00	\$8,709.00
Hosting	NA	NA	(included)	(included)
Implementation and Services				
- Project Management (1 day) (2 days)	\$1,750.00	NA	\$1,590.00	NA
- System/Organizational Setup (4 days)	NA	NA	\$3,180.00	NA
- Train-the-Trainer (3 days) (3 days)	\$4,500.00	NA	\$2,385.00	NA
- Data Conversion (1 day) (1 day)	\$1,500.00	NA	\$795.00	NA
- All other professional services (5 days)	\$7,500.00	NA	NA	NA
- Travel Expenses	TBD	NA	TBD	NA
Sub-Total	\$20,941.00	\$5,833.00	\$16,405.00	\$8,709.00
	\$26,774.00		\$25,114.00	



Region 1

- Software service provider in Moorhead, MN
- Has been supporting Synergy SIS since 2009
- Currently hosts and supports Synergy SIS for over 50 school districts in Minnesota
- Lower cost to support and create SQL extracts and elementary report cards



Finance and HR

TIES has previously announced that their Finance and HR system would sunset by June 30, 2019. For this reason the school district has been going through the process of searching for a new system with the intent of going live July 1, 2019.

It is possible that this timeline may change.



Other TIES Services

- **i-Cue/edSpring**

The district may need to find a new system, possibly within Synergy, for managing test and assessment data.

- **i-Content and Cognos**

Access to historical data is a great concern. The district may need to find a new system. It is possible that TIES would only give districts a flat file containing all of their historical data if Sourcewell sunsets this product..

- **Hybrid Access Network**

If we learn that the network will be unavailable before the end of our current contract we will post an RFP for new service and create a transition plan so the district has zero downtime.



Additional Dissolution Concerns

- If NJPA takes over the TIES Hybrid Network, how will this affect E-Rate funding and Equity Aid?
- TIES will continue to lose staff which will affect both support and services.
- What debt will TIES still have after the dissolution and what will be the financial responsibility for districts?



Questions

