

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
County of Cook and State of IllinoisSYNCH-SOLUTIONS
PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT SERVICES
OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
DISTRICT OFFICE

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that in Board Report # 26172, dated May 13, 2004, the Board of Trustees authorized an agreement with Synch-Solutions for professional consulting services to support OIT core services to the district for the period of July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2007; and

that as part of its services to the district, OIT has a need for technical and functional consultants to augment its operational and production support of the district's infrastructure, websites, networks, help desk, application systems, database administration, computer systems, server administration, production support of the district's four mission critical PeopleSoft applications, Human Resources, Financials, Student Administration and Contributor Relations and other related technical support; and

that consultant staff who are assigned to CCC will provide the technical and functional expertise and perform the following functions (but not limited to) under the direction of the OIT management team:

- Provide support of the web-based systems and applications,
- Provide support of the PeopleSoft applications and enterprise databases,
- Develop applications that will increase district's web site efficiency,
- Provide customer service for district's help desk and desktop services,
- Provide support of the infrastructure, networks and computer systems;
- Keep the versions and patch levels of all PeopleSoft applications up to date,
- Provide new functionality to systems as defined by CCC,
- Reconfigure systems definitions to increase performance,
- Keep current with documentation and maintain existing systems,
- Provide requirement analysis assistance, based on new functionality requirements,
- Work with CCC groups to define and write functional and technical specifications,
- Develop and test technical code and setup parameters based on specifications,
- Follow CCC change control and testing procedures,
- Develop reports as required,
- Support the development environment, define production support requirements and related planning,
- Update end-user training material and provide training when required; and

that in order to stay current with Oracle's development of their Fusion applications and release schedules, OIT staff has developed a plan titled "Roadmap to Fusion" which when completed over the next five years gives the district the ability to convert its PeopleSoft applications to the new Oracle Fusion applications to take advantage of new technologies from Oracle as they become available; and

that OIT will need to supplement its staff with one-time consultant experts on an as needed basis to complete the various projects listed in the Roadmap to Fusion plan; and

that staff has received a proposal from Synch-Solutions to provide the required professional consulting services; and

that Synch-Solutions will provide staff augmentation to assist in OIT services to the district for the period of July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2010 at a total cost for said services not to exceed \$28,851,843.72 and the not to exceed cost by fiscal year will be the following:

FY08 \$9,672,682.30 FY09 \$9,447,862.77 FY10 \$9,731,298.65 ; and

that in order to provide an orderly transition, during the months of April, May and June of 2007, an not to exceed cost of \$372,183.66 for transition activities relating to staff augmentation services may occur; and

that Synch-Solutions will provide one-time professional service expertise relating to the Roadmap to Fusion Projects through June 30, 2010 at a total cost for said services not to exceed \$15,041,750.00 and before any project begins a detail project scope, deliverables, milestones and payment schedules based on achieving the deliverables and milestones will be established along with a not to exceed total cost for each project and that all expenditures relating to the projects will be reported to the board during the term of the agreement; and

that the total cost for all services relating to staff augmentation and for one-time professional consultant services for project work will not to exceed \$44,265,777.38 which includes expenses; and

that OIT staff has determined that Synch-Solutions has the required expertise and experience to provide the professional services required; and

that this professional service agreement is exempt from competitive procurement; and

that the Office of M/WBE Contract Compliance has reviewed the above referenced professional consulting services opportunity and Synchronous Solutions is a certified MBE and has partnered with Edge Technological Resources, Inc. as the certified WBE for 7% of the total contract amount, therefore Sync-Solutions is in full compliance with the Board approved Participation Plan.

THE CHANCELLOR

RECOMMENDS that the Board of Trustees approve the negotiation and execution of an agreements with Sync-Solutions Inc. Chicago, Illinois 1) Agreement Number 1 - amend the existing core professional services agreement which expires June 30, 2007 for professional services relating to transition activities with additional costs not to exceed \$372,183.66 for the transition services; 2) Agreement Number 2 for the period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2010 for professional services relating to staff augmentation amounting to \$28,851,843.72 and Roadmap to Fusion projects amounting to \$15,041,750 in a total amount not to exceed \$ 44,265,777.38 including expenses and authorizes the Chairman of the Board to execute any documents pertaining to these professional services.

FINANCIAL \$44,265,777.38 - Educational Fund 00003-0023001-00088-00000-0000000-536100
 Staff Augmentations:
 FY07 \$372,183.66 (for transition activities)
 FY08 \$9,672,682.30
 FY09 \$9,447,862.77

FY10 \$9,731,298.65

Roadmap to Fusion Project:
FY 08 \$15,041,750

Respectfully submitted:

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Chancellor

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