

**OFFICE OF CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER**  
**Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**April 15, 2021**

**OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY AND STRATEGIC SERVICES**

08.H. Action: Contract with Guidesoft Inc., d/b/a Knowledge Services under the terms of the Master Consulting Services Agreement to provide for the acquisition of Network Engineer Professionals for local school districts in support of MDE's Digital Learning Program [Goal 5 – MBE Strategic Plan]

Awarded Vendor: Guidesoft, Inc., d/b/a Knowledge Services  
Indianapolis, Indiana

Scope of Project: The Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services and Guidesoft, d/b/a Knowledge Services entered into a contract, for a Managed Services Provider (MSP) Program that would provide for the acquisition of Information Technology Consulting Services. Under the MSP Program, The Office of Technology and Strategic Services is seeking qualified Network Engineer Professionals to provide technical support services on a statewide basis to local school districts in support of MDE's Digital Learning Program

Personnel associated with this contract are not former Department employees or related to any Department employees.

Scope of Contract:

- Term of Contract: April 19, 2021 – September 30, 2022
- Total amount to be awarded: \$387,200.00
- Method of Award: ITS Master Consulting Services Agreement

Funding Source: Federal Funds

This item references Goal 5 of the *Mississippi Board of Education 2018-2022 Strategic Plan*.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

IT Consulting Services	No. of Contract Days	Hrs/per Day	Total Hours	Max Rate Not to Exceed	\$/Day	Totals
Network and Technical Support Engineer: Digital Learning (x2)	440	8	3520	\$110.00	\$880.00	\$ 387,200.00
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