

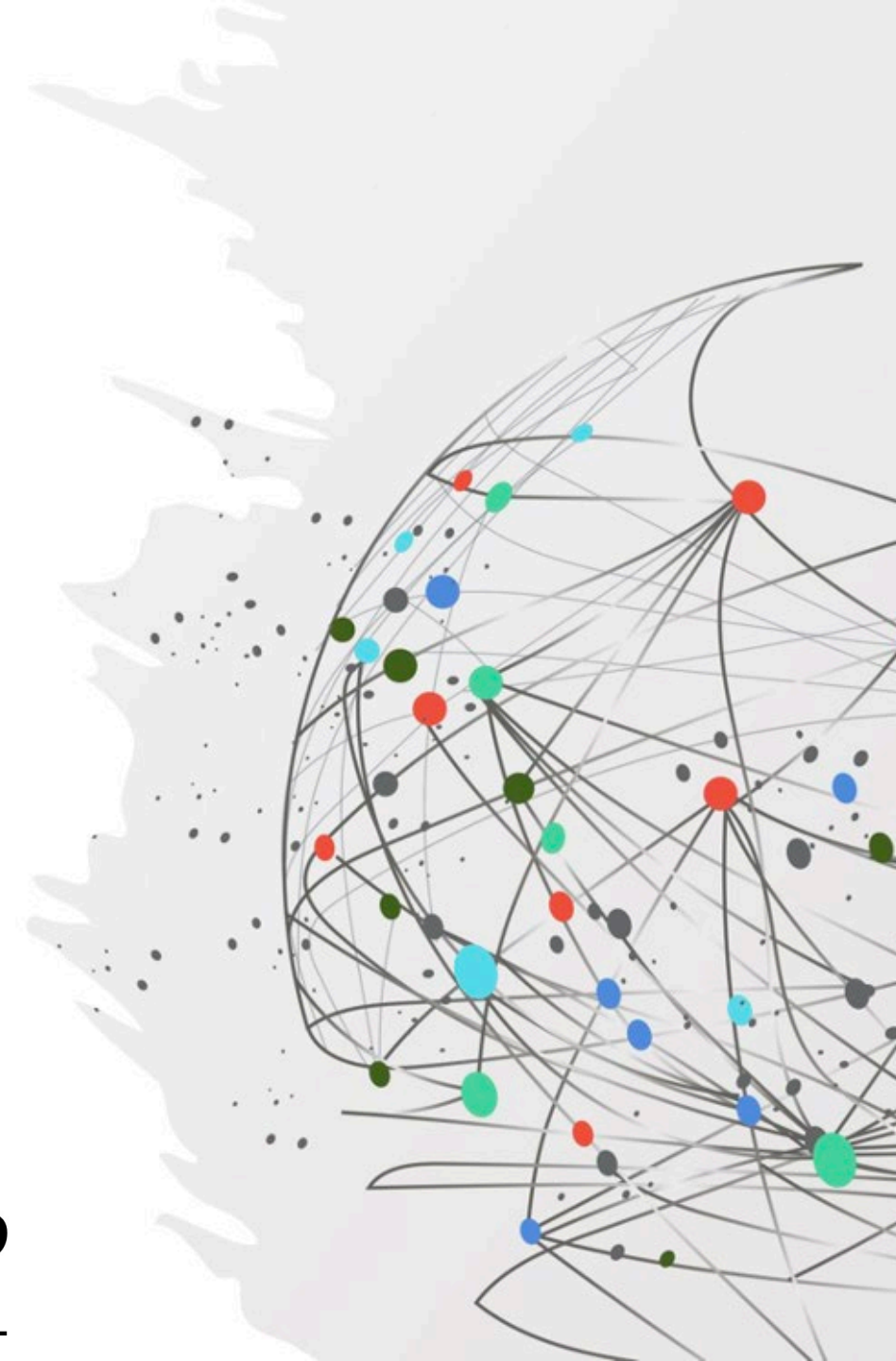


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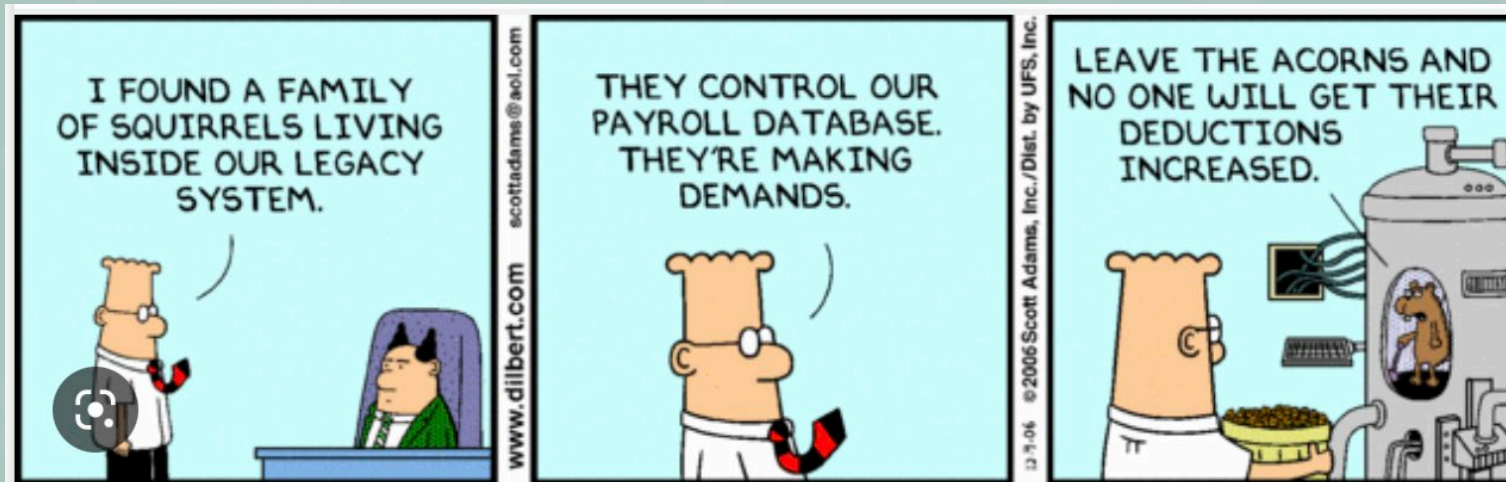
BUILDING BRIDGES

To Meet Emerging Integration Needs



Legacy & In Transition Systems

- Student Record System (SRS)** – Custom (VIU/consultant supported)
- Financial Record System (FRS)** – Custom (VIU/consultant supported)
- Student Ledger System (SLED)** – Custom (VIU/consultant supported)
- Awards System (FLEDGER)** – VIU custom application
- Stargarden** – HR/Payroll



Introducing



- Opportunity to collaborate
- Throughout the session we will pause to check in on your experiences
- And share



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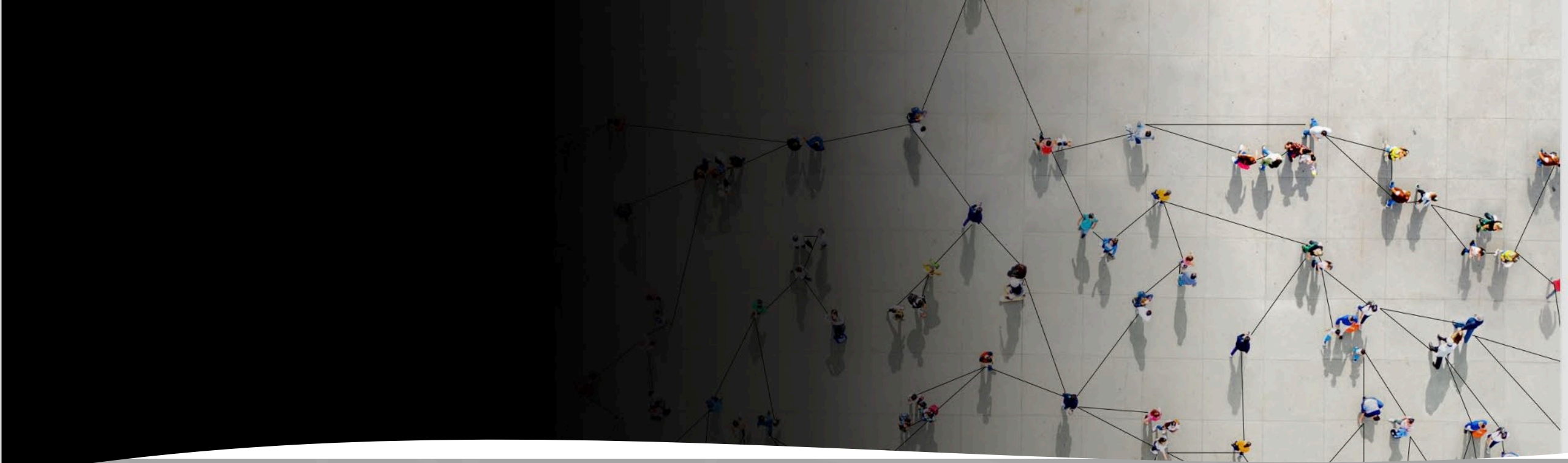
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PROJECT AURORA

- Joint ERP implementation project with VIU
- Full ERP solution sought with a cloud-based solution
- U4 successful vendor

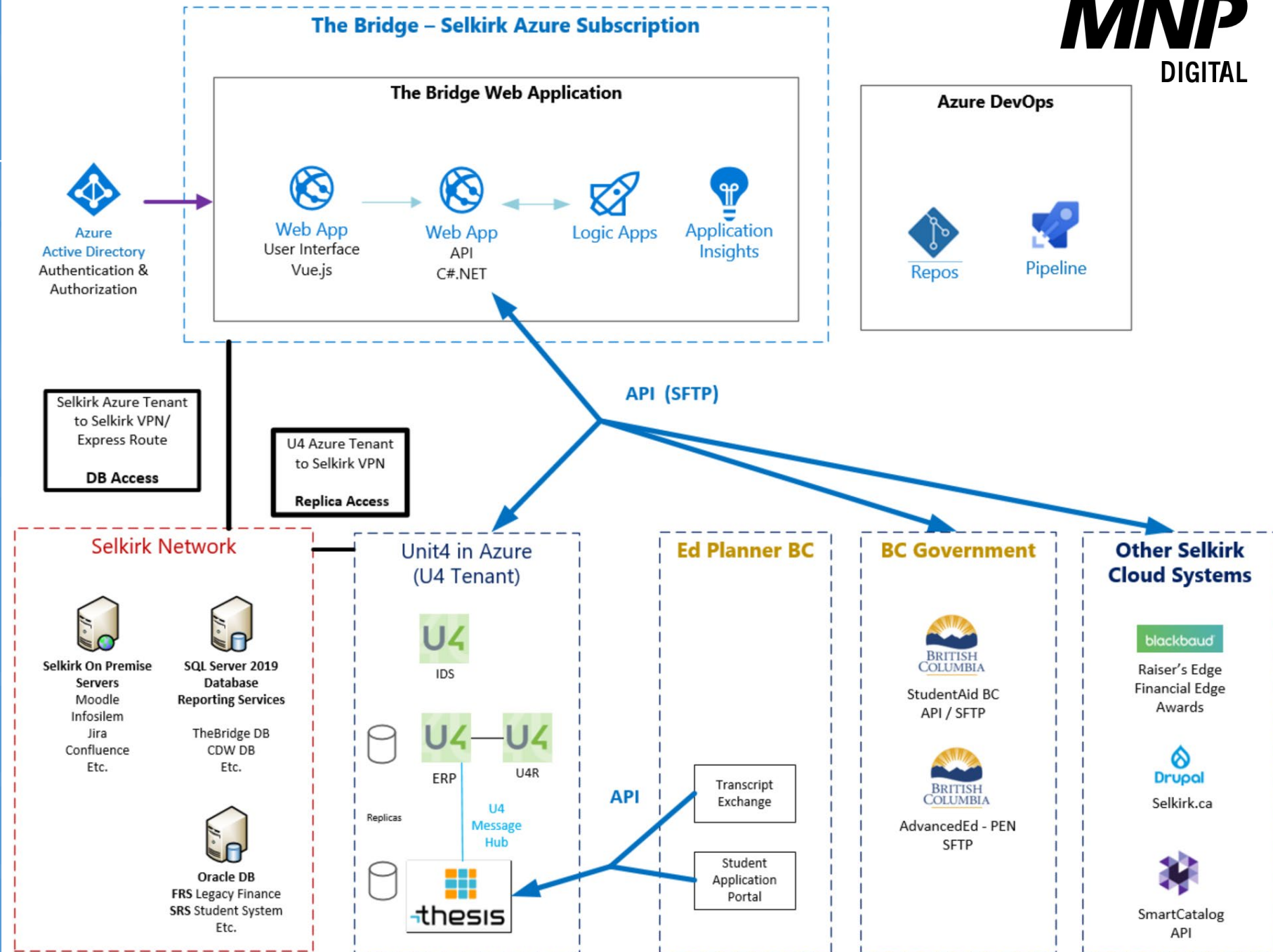


Initial Vision

- Cloud
- Invested in small team of Developers with training and hiring
- Building integrations

Architecture

- Inspired by Hub and Spoke Model
- Azure
- API and Real Time Data Access



SUCCESSSES



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- **We developed skills and expertise that Selkirk historically did not have**
 - Student, ERP, HR Data
 - Gather and Documenting requirements
 - ERP Configuration
 - Legacy Systems
 - Building Integrations
- **Invested in tools and technology**
 - Azure
 - Jira
 - Confluence
 - Azure DevOps
- **Invested in training and mentorship**
 - Azure Development
 - API Development
 - Advanced SQL
 - Co-source model for expertise (MNP)



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STUMBLES & CHALLENGES



- Optimistic Timelines
- Azure Bigger Bite than Anticipated
- Assumption: Bigger ERP require less integration
- Allure of Low Code
 - Simpler: AppSmith, Pipedream, Bubble IO, etc. etc.
 - Bigger: Power Platform
 - Watering down architecture
- Security
- Governance



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KEY INGREDIENTS IN THE SECRET SAUCE

- Champion at Exec level
- Deep knowledge of core systems
- Time to not only solve problem but figure out platform at the same time
- Requirements gathering BEFORE solutioning
- Documentation
- Great relationships: vendors, departments

The most important tool



TEAM

- Building belief
- Nurturing change
- Being resilient

- Creating SYNERGY with your team