

New Student Information System (SIS) Project Update

To: Audit Committee

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Strategic Directions

Allocate Human and Financial Resources Strategically to Support Student Needs

Recommendation

It is recommended that the new Student Information System (SIS) update be received for information.

Context

The Student Information System (SIS), also known as Trillium, is a critical system of record for the collection, recording, validation and reporting of student registration, achievement, and attendance data. The SIS supports the Ministry reporting process (ONSIS) that drives the operational funding TDSB receives from the Ministry.

In July 2019, PowerSchool, the Trillium vendor, informed Ontario school boards of their intent to 'sunset' the Trillium product. PowerSchool provided an upgrade path for Ontario districts to migrate from the legacy Trillium to the new PowerSchool SIS platform. The new PowerSchool SIS was evaluated by TDSB stakeholders and ranked highest among market competitors. The PowerSchool SIS was selected to replace Trillium and the budget was approved in May 2020 to migrate TDSB from the legacy Trillium SIS to the new PowerSchool SIS.

Action Plan and Associated Timeline

The implementation strategy known as a <u>Scheduler Start</u> includes two key milestone dates:

- System Live Date February 2022, when PowerSchool is live in production and schools will start entering scheduling and registration data for the following school year.
- System of Record Date July 2022, when Trillium is no longer being updated and PowerSchool SIS becomes the operational SIS.

Please refer to Appendix A for more detail.

Resource Implications

Please refer to Appendix A for the update on 2020-21 budget versus actual expenditure amounts.

Communications Considerations

Regular updates to the Finance, Budget, and Enrolment Committee (FBEC) and/or the Audit Committee Quarterly.

Please refer to Appendix A for the reporting schedule.

Board Policy and Procedure Reference(s)

P017 – Purchasing Policy

Appendices

Appendix A: Audit Committee - PowerSchool New SIS - Presentation

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