ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE

MEETING DATE: October 23, 2023

AGENDA ITEM: Student Information and Enterprise Resource Systems Planning Committee Update

PRESENTER: Brooks Moore, Executive Director of Technology

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:
- District student and financial information systems are currently run on the Ascender platform. Human Resources leverages a separate platform called Frontline to manage recruiting and hiring, time and attendance, and absence management.
- The District has used Ascender, which is supported by Education Service Center Region 11, for many years. Over the years, Ascender, and its predecessors, have met the District's needs.
- However, as the District continues to grow and the systems used to assist with the "management" of the District continue to evolve, the Administration has decided to explore other systems in an effort to enhance efficiency of data management.
- The Administration assembled a committee to investigate potential options in the market to determine if one could better meet the needs of the District. The committee interviewed and participated in demonstrations from five (5) vendors and scored/ranked each one.
- Committee members, along with multiple district departments, are scheduled to do a "deep dive" into the systems of the best ranked vendor to determine if they will meet the needs of the District.
- The goal of the committee is to find a potential solution that could be implemented prior to the 2024-2025 school year. In order to meet that deadline, final decisions would have to be made before the calendar year end of 2023.
- The Administration will provide a final decision, and a potential request for approval, at the November regular board meeting.

FISCAL INFORMATION:
The cost of the potential solution will be determined after the "deep dive" is completed by the committee members and departments to determine the components/modules that best meet the needs of the District.

ATTACHMENTS:
None

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:
None - Information Report