Board Meeting Public Meeting
December 18, 2018
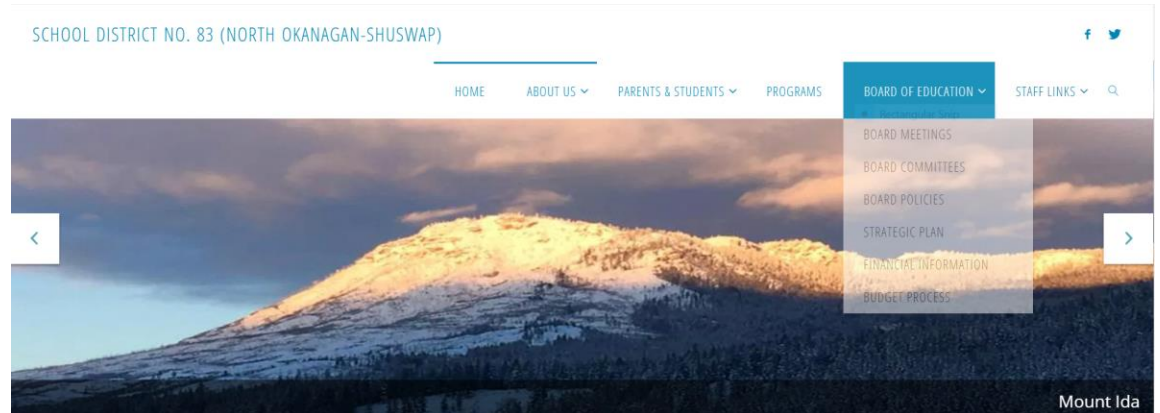
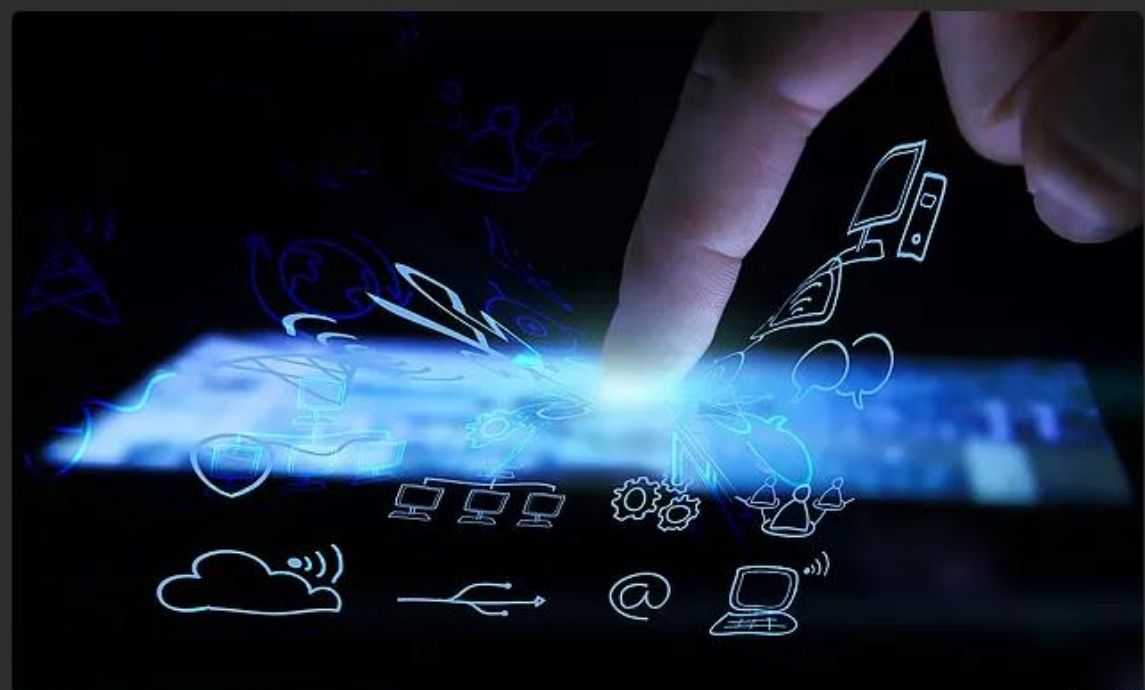# Board In-Service held last Tuesday

90 minutes

Board Briefing in agenda package

SIS

This is the Core Student Management System for MyEducationBC. It includes:

- Student Demographics
- Incidents
- Attendance
- Student Course Marks and History of Student Course Marks
- Staff Information
- Rooms
- Homerooms/Advisory
- Current Schedule
- Reporting Periods
- GPA
- Current Courses

Provincial SIS history

- An attempt was made in 2006 to move to all School Districts to a provincial SIS called BCeSIS

- BCeSIS drew media attention in September 2010 for slow performance that hampered the efforts of schools to make timetable changes, process student transfers, and complete attendance.

- With new school districts using the service, Fujitsu Service Desk was forced to limit the number of logins and post "BCeSIS unavailable" messages during peak usage hours.

- In September, 2011, the Ministry of Education decided to discontinue the use of the BCeSIS software, based on a recommendation from Gartner, Inc.

- The Minister of the day – George Abbot - said that the system had glitches but was still good value for money, and was being replaced largely because the technology was outdated.

- Ministry hosted "Discovery Workshops" with four remaining CIMS districts in the spring of 2018.

- MOU signed on October 28...but with an "escape clause"

- "Cost Recovery" info shared with Board at the In-Service on December 12

$114,000 plus on an annual basis

PROS

- One Student / One Record
- Common system & standards
- Support from our peer districts (56 of 60)
- Provincial cross-enrolment
- Access to trained staff throughout the province
- Automatic data integration
- Consistent user interface
- We would avoid paying an annual penalty that could approach 1/2M

CONS

- Performance concerns
- Lost functionality (the gap is real)
- Operating costs
- Implementation costs
- Loss of autonomy with an enterprise level SIS
- Resistance to change
- Onboarding of Saskatchewan
- System unavailability
- One year timeline

Implementation Plan Required

9. Risk Management Plan

9.1 Severity Matrix

The following matrix is used to determine Risk Severity for each risk evaluated in the Risk Assessment area of this document:

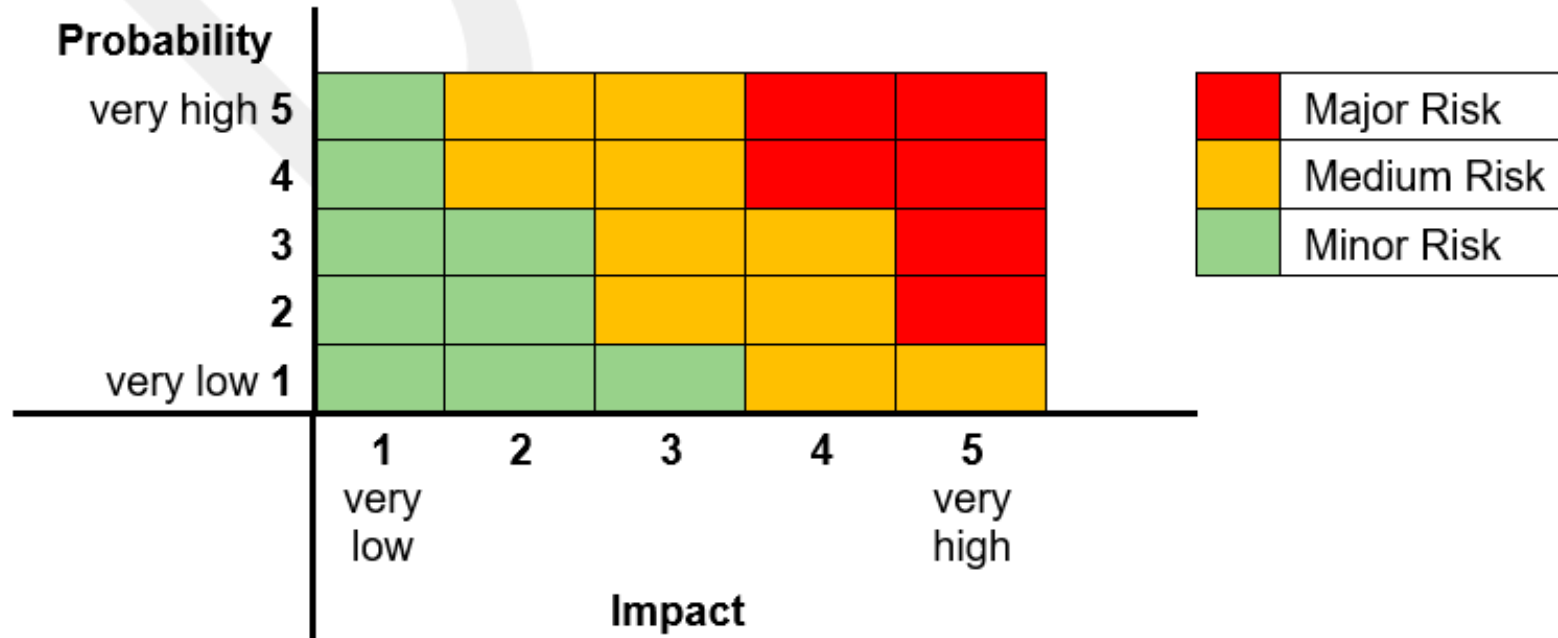# Project Timeline

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Decision Point

Nov 2018	Implementation Planning Workshop	Requirements Workshops		Training Schedule	Communication Plan
Dec 2018		First copy of database provided by districts			Initiate Communications
Jan 2019	Implementation Plans	Functional and Data Analysis			Focused Communications with CIMS School Districts with updates to existing MyEducation BC School Districts
Feb 2019					
Mar 2019		Data Conversion and Validation			
Apr 2019					
May 2019	Second copy of database provided by districts			Implementation Training	
June 2019					
July 2019	Third copy of database provided by districts	Validate Data		Refresher Training	
Aug 2019		Validate Data			
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Sept 2019	Final copy of database provided by districts	Load Data to Production	Pre and Post Conversion Setup and Support		
Oct 2019				Annual Business Cycle Training and Support Sessions	
Nov 2019					
Dec 2019				School Scheduling Training for CIMS Districts begins	