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STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Tuesday, 16 August 2022 (13:00), Virtual Meeting via MS Teams

(Briefing by the Western Cape Education Department (WCED) on how the WCED utilises data; the type of data and the contribution that the WCED is making to the National Data-driven District project, if any as part of the South African School Administration and Management System (SA-SAMS)

PRESENT

Members:

Democratic Alliance

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African National Congress

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African Christians Democratic Party

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(See attached list of departmental officials and members of the public who were in attendance.)

1. Welcome

The Chairperson welcomed all.

2. Briefing by the Western Cape Education Department (WCED) on how the WCED utilises data; the type of data and the contribution that the WCED is making to the National Data-driven District project, if any as part of the South African School Administration and Management System (SA-SAMS)

Mr Ian De Vega, Chief Director: Business Intelligence Management, WCED, led the presentation.

The presentation detailed the WCED landscape, policy environment, it's systems for the collection of education data, strategic, tactical, and operational data utilisation, as well as the future data initiatives of the Department.

The WCED used the Central Educational Management Information System (CEMIS), a learner tracking and provincial school management system. Schools accessed the solution via the internet and transacted around business processes such as learner enrolment, which allowed for the registration of new learners and the transfer of learners, which facilitated their transfer between schools. Unlike CEMIS, the South Africa School Administration and Management System (SA-SAMS) was a stand-alone system that did not allow real-time transacting and learner tracking.

The future data initiatives of the WCED included digitising business for improved education delivery, integrating data across platforms (data harmonisation), and integrating third party school management systems for improved data collection.

The Committee deliberated on the presentation.

3. Resolution

The Committee RESOLVED that, the presentation on the WCED utilises data to be forwarded the Budget Committee, including the additional information on the Learner Unit Record Information and Tracking System (LURITS).

Having concluded the business of the day, the Chairperson thanked the Members of the Committee and the WCED officials for their contribution.

The Committee adjourned at 15h30.

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CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

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