

# Planning and Oversight Committee

## 4/7/26 Questions

### Program - Communications, Oversight and Translation

1. Central Office Translation Tools - has the central considered using free services like google translate instead of paying people and contracts?

*While free translation software can be useful, it often includes errors that must be vetted for accuracy by a qualified translator. Often translation of documents includes important information for families and web posting, as well as legal documents such as IEPs and accuracy is essential. The new AI translation tools are able to provide context-aware translations rather than literal translations, though the ones that use a high-level of technical language should still be reviewed by a human translator.*

2. Website development - Will the PTA website be integrated into the website updates using the same platform? Are we using a vendor, what are the costs and what will fund the project?

*We are in the preliminary stages of planning and exploring potential vendors. At this point, we believe we will be able to integrate the PTA websites into the new District website, ensuring the same look and feel. The costs will include the launch of the new platform as well as ongoing cost to maintain the platform. It is likely that the new platform costs will be in place of some current costs. We will communicate pricing and funding sources as we progress with the project.*