

**Approval of the Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services Between Denton County
and Denton Independent School District
April 24, 2018**

SUMMARY:

This item requests approval of the Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services between Denton County and Denton Independent School District for the May 5, 2018 election.

BOARD GOAL:

IV. Parent and Community Involvement....In pursuit of excellence, the District will:

- a. Foster a positive and welcoming environment that encourages parent and community partnerships to achieve success for all our students

VI. Growth & Change....In pursuit of excellence, the District will:

- a. Review and adjust policies and procedures effectively to address the challenges of rapid growth and changing demographic characteristics while maintaining and enhancing our strong sense of community

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

None

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Beginning with the May 8, 2010 Trustee election, Denton County began offering a Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services to all political subdivisions that are within the boundaries of Denton County.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

- 1) Voting locations are, where possible, the usual voting locations for each election precinct in elections conducted by each participating city and are compliant with the requirements established by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- 2) Any qualified voter of the joint election may vote early by personal appearance at any of the Denton County early voting locations. On Election Day, voters must vote in their precinct where registered to vote.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

- 1) Participating authorities agree to share the costs of administering the Joint Election.
- 2) Costs for polling places shared by more than one participating authority shall be pro-rated among the participants utilizing that polling place.
- 3) The County has new billing software that allows them to recoup costs that they have had to absorb in the past.
- 4) Due to changes to equipment and procedures that have been made to accommodate an all paper system, there has been a significant increase in the estimated cost.
- 5) The cost for May 5, 2018 election services is estimated to be \$ 48,722.00.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

The District may proceed with the required notifications for the 2018 Board of Trustees Election and the 2018 Bond Election.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend the Board approve the Joint Election Agreement and Election Services Contract between Denton County and Denton Independent School District for the May 5, 2018 election.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Debbie Monschke, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services

ATTACHMENT:

Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____