8C. Action Date: September 11, 2006

SUBJECT: CONTRACT WITH TARRANT COUNTY ELECTIONS

ADMINISTRATOR FOR NOVEMBER 7, 2006 BOND ELECTION

BOARD GOAL: Academic Excellence

Community Involvement

Budget and Finance

Safe Schools

FISCAL NOTE: Budgeted Funds

Background Information:

A bond election has been ordered for Tuesday, November 7, 2006.

Administrative Considerations:

Tarrant County will be contracting with all entities to conduct a joint election, resulting in the following:

- Keller ISD will be in compliance with all legislative requirements.
- Voter convenience
 - <u>Early Voting</u> There will be thirty early voting sites in Tarrant County. Early voting dates/times will be uniform throughout the county. All Tarrant County voters will be able to early vote at any of the early voting polling sites for any election for which they are a qualified voter.
 - <u>Election Day</u> Twenty-seven polling sites have been designated for voters casting ballots for the Keller ISD Bond election. Voters will now be able to vote at one polling site for all elections for which they are a qualified voter.
- Cost efficiency Because the county is mandating that the joint election be contracted, they will only be charging each entity 75% of the entity's normal election budgeted cost. The cost for Keller ISD's November Bond Election will be \$6,359.00.

The Agreement specifies the duties to be performed by the Elections Administrator (Tarrant County) and the District's responsibilities in conducting this joint Election.

The District's legal counsel has reviewed this Agreement.

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The administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the Joint Election Agreement between Keller ISD and Tarrant County Elections Administrator in the amount of \$6,359.00 for services and expenses provided by the County in conducting the joint Election for the November 7, 2006 Bond Election as presented.
Respectfully submitted,
James R. Veitenheimer Superintendent