Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for School Resource Investigator (Officer) Denton County and Denton Independent School District October 11, 2016

SUMMARY:

- This item requests approval of Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for a School Resource Investigator between the County and the District whereas the County provides Denton ISD with one (1) certified police officer to serve as school resource officer (SRO) assigned to Harpool Middle School and supporting Adkins, E.P. Razor, and Blanton Elementary schools.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

- The Denton ISD Board of Trustees have approved similar agreements with the City of Denton, City of Little Elm, and the City of Corinth to provide SROs to our campuses in their jurisdiction.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- This is a continuation of service provided by the County to assist our Lantana schools with a School Resource Officer.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

- The location of Harpool Middle School and our elementary schools in the Lantana area necessitated the need to pursue an agreement with the Denton County Sheriffs Department to provide a SRO. These schools are not under the jurisdiction of a specific city or township.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

- For school year 2016-17, cost will be \$104,680
- Monthly Payment Amounts: \$8,723 (October 1 of 2016 through September 30, 2017)
- Costs will be borne by: DISD will be responsible for 100% of SRO's salary and lease cost of police vehicle.

DISD 100% = \$89,147 (salary and benefits: includes 5% raise for 2016-17)
Police Vehicle \$15,534 (cost for police car lease, equipment, uniform, etc.)
Total cost: \$104,680

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

- The County and the District desire to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of local governmental entities by acknowledging the need for one (1) school resource investigator (SRO) and all equipment necessary for the prompt and effective utilization of such investigator.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

- None

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

- None

ALTERNATIVES:

- No alternative actions are proposed for 2016-17.

OTHER COMMENTS:

- It is important that Denton ISD have this partnership with Denton County to provide a SRO for Harpool Middle School and the three Lantana elementary schools.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

- The superintendent recommends approval of the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for school resource investigator (SRO)) between Denton County and the Denton Independent School District whereas the County provides the District with one (1) certified police officer to serve as school resource officer (SRO) assigned to Harpool Middle School.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

- Dr. Jamie Wilson, Superintendent of Schools
- Dr. Richard Valenta, Deputy Superintendent

ATTACHMENT:

- The Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Denton County and Denton ISD.

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