BOARD of EDUCATION Fort Smith Public Schools



ACTION

TITLE: School Board Election Dates

DATE: August 7, 2017

ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBLE: Dr. Doug Brubaker, Superintendent

BACKGROUND/CONSIDERATIONS:

Under Act 910 of 2017, the Board must approve a resolution before February 2018 regarding when the school board elections will be held in 2018. The options are (1) during the spring when the preferential primaries are held or (2) in November on the date that the general election takes place in even-numbered years or, in odd-numbered years, on the date that a general election would take place in an even-numbered year.

In order to facilitate the process of making this decision, the Administration has one draft resolution prepared for each of the two options:

- If adopted, **Draft Resolution A** would designate the election date for 2018 in the spring on the same date as the **preferential primary**.
- If adopted, **Draft Resolution B** would designate the election date for 2018 in November on the same date as the **general election**.

RECOMMENDATION:

If the Board agrees, the motion would be as follows:

The Administration recommends that the board adopt one of the two draft resolutions.

- To set the 2018 Board election during the spring when the preferential primaries are held, the motion would read, "Move to adopt Draft Resolution A."
- To set the 2018 Board election during November on the date of the general election, the motion would read, "Move to adopt Draft Resolution B."