

## **APPROVAL OF AUDITOR FOR 2022-2023 FISCAL YEAR**

April 25, 2023

### **SUMMARY:**

This item requests the approval of the auditor for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

### **BOARD GOAL:**

Growth & Management – demonstrate effective and efficient management of district resources.

### **PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:**

Each year the engagement is renewed by approving and signing the engagement letter.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

A financial audit is required annually for each school district and is to be made on an organization-wide basis, including all fund types and account groups that are the accounting responsibility of the school district. The audit must be approved and submitted to the Municipal Advisory Council of Texas and the Division of School Financial Audits of TEA within 150 days following the end of the fiscal year. The District has used Hankins, Eastup, Deaton, Tonn, Seay and Scarborough since the late 1970's and has received fair and objective audits throughout its tenure. The audit firm also conducts any special studies requested by the Board or administration and assists the District in preparation of its Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:**

The estimated cost of the 2022-2023 audit is \$72,500. The cost for the 2021-2022 audit was \$70,000.

### **BENEFIT OF ACTION:**

Hankins, Eastup, Deaton, Tonn, Seay and Scarborough perform audits of several school districts. Denton ISD will gain from the knowledge and expertise of the firm through recommendations for improving operations and compliance with changes in laws governing the District.

### **PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:**

The audit must be approved by the Board of Trustees within 150 days after the close of the fiscal year and must be submitted to the Texas Education Agency by November 27, 2023.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

No alternative actions are proposed.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended to approve the firm of Hankins, Eastup, Deaton, Tonn, Seay and Scarborough for the 2022-2023 fiscal year audit.

### **STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:**

Vicki Garcia, Executive Director Financial Operations  
Julie J. Simpson, Director of Finance

### **ATTACHMENT:**

Audit Engagement Letter for 2022-2023

### **APPROVAL:**

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Divisional Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_