

ELECTION ORDER

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
 § COPPELL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
COUNTY OF DALLAS §

On this 25th day of January 2021, the Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District convened in regular session with the following members present, to-wit:

- NICHOLE BENTLEY, President
- LEIGH WALKER, Vice President
- MANISH SETHI, Secretary
- ANTHONY HILL, Member
- TRACY FISHER, Member
- DAVID CAVINESS, Member
- NEENA BISWAS, Member

and _____, absent, constituting a quorum and among other proceedings had by said Board of Trustees were the following:

WHEREAS, the terms of office of Nichole Bentley, Place 6 and Tracy Fisher, Place 7, members of the Board of Trustees of this school district will expire on May 1, 2021, or when their successors are duly elected and qualified; and

WHEREAS, on the 1st day of May 2021, a Trustee Election will be held in said school district; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for this Board to pass an order establishing the procedure for filing for and conducting said Trustee Election;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE COPPELL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

1. That an election be held in said school district on Saturday, May 1, 2021, for the purpose of electing to the Board of Trustees of the Coppell Independent School District one trustee each for Places 6 and 7.
2. That all requests by candidates to have their names placed upon the ballot for the above mentioned Trustee election for Places 6 and 7 shall be timely made in accordance with the law and shall be in writing, shall state the number of the position (place) for which such person is filing as a candidate, shall be signed by the candidate and filed with the Secretary of the Board of Trustees, Vonita White Administration Building, 200 South Denton Tap Road, Coppell, Texas 75019, not earlier than January 13, 2021 (30th day before the date of the filing deadline) and not later than 5:00 p.m. on February 12, 2021 (78th day before Election Day). The deadline for write-in candidates is 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 16, 2021.

All candidates shall file with said application the loyalty affidavit required by Section 141.031(a)(4)(K) of the Election Code.

The Secretary of the Board of Trustees shall cause to be posted on the bulletin board in the building where the Board of Trustees meets the names of all candidates that have filed their applications in accordance with the terms and provisions of this Order.

3. The Election Judges will be appointed by the Dallas County Elections Department and the polling places may be combined for some precincts, pursuant to decisions by the Dallas County Elections Department.

4. The polls at designated polling places shall on Election Day be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

5. Michael J. Scarpello is hereby appointed Joint Election Early Voting Clerk. The early voting for the above designated election shall be at the Coppell Town Center, 255 Parkway Blvd., Coppell, Texas 75019, and other early voting locations as designated by the Dallas County Elections Department and said places of early voting shall remain open for at least eight hours on each day of early voting which is not a Saturday, a Sunday, or an official state holiday, (but including Saturday, April 24, 2021 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, April 25, 2021, from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.), beginning on the 12th day (Monday, April 19, 2021) and continuing through the 4th day (Tuesday, April 27, 2021) preceding the date of the election. Said places of voting shall remain open between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on each weekday for said early voting, except that on Monday, April 26, 2021, and Tuesday, April 27, 2021, the place of voting shall remain open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
Michael J. Scarpello, Joint Election Early Voting Clerk
Dallas County Elections Department
1520 Round Table Drive
Dallas, Texas 75247

The email address at which the Early Voting Clerk may receive applications for a ballot by mail is evapplications@dallascounty.org.

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 20, 2021.

The main early voting polling location for the May 1, 2021 election is the following:

George L. Allen, Sr. Courts Building
600 Commerce Street
Dallas, Texas 75202

This election is being conducted as a joint election with the Dallas County Elections Department, as authorized under Texas Election Code Chapters 31 and 271, and other participating entities. The early voting locations are subject to change, based on participating entities.

6. In addition to the Board President and Vice President, Dr. Brad Hunt, Superintendent of Schools, is authorized to contract with the County of Dallas and the Commissioners Court, or any other agency, on behalf of the school district for the carrying out of this election by the office of the Dallas County Elections Administrator in a joint election with other Dallas County governmental entities.

7. This Board of Trustees has determined that Election Systems & Software ExpressVote Universal Voting System (Ballot Marking Device), EVS 6.0.2.0, Firmware 2.4.0.0; the ES&S DS200 Digital Precinct Scanner, EVS 6.0.2.0, Firmware 2.17.0.0.; and ES&S' Model DS850 High-Speed Scanner and Tabulator, Version 1, EVS 6.0.2.0. utilized by Dallas County shall be used in the above-mentioned election in all Dallas County polling places, and to mark and tabulate in-person ballots, absentee ballots, and provisional ballots for early voting and on election day, and hereby adopts this system for use in this election.

8. The manner of holding said election shall be governed, as nearly as may be, by the Election Code of this State, and the office of the Dallas County Elections Administrator shall furnish all necessary ballots and other election supplies requisite to said election.

9. The early votes shall be processed by the Early Voting Ballot Board appointed by Dallas County.

10. The Board of Trustees shall give notice of said election. The Board President, as the presiding officer of the Board of Trustees, is hereby authorized to execute the notice of election. The Secretary of the Board of Trustees is hereby authorized and instructed to post or cause to be posted said notice on the bulletin board used for posting notices of the meetings of the Board of Trustees. Said posting shall be made at least 21 days (Saturday, April 10, 2021) before the date of said election.

The Secretary shall also cause a copy of the election notice to be published one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the County where the school district is located. Said publication shall be not more than 30 days (Thursday, April 1, 2021), nor less than 10 days (Wednesday, April 21, 2021), before the date of said election.

It is further found and determined that written notice of the date, place and subject of this meeting was posted on the bulletin board located in the central administrative office in this school district, in a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public, and said notice, having been so posted, remained posted for the time required by law to precede the scheduled time of said meeting.

The above order being read, it was moved and seconded that the same does pass. Thereupon, the question being called for, the following members of the Board voted "AYE":

Nichole Bentley, Leigh Walker, Manish Sethi, Anthony Hill, Tracy Fisher, David Caviness; and Neena Biswas; and the following voted "NO": _____.

COPPELL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

NICHOLE BENTLEY, President
Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

MANISH SETHI, Secretary
Board of Trustees