



ORDER OF TRUSTEE ELECTION FOR BEAUMONT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Beaumont Independent School District, (BISD”) Board of Trustees desires to order a trustee election on the uniform election date in May 2021 (the “Election”), under a joint election and services agreement with the City of Beaumont (the “City”), Jefferson County (the “County”), and other local governments in Jefferson County in accordance with Texas Education code Section 11.0581; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has the authority pursuant to Chapter 271, of the Texas Election Code to enter into joint election agreements with other political subdivisions in all or part of the District’s territory who are also holding elections on the same date; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Texas Education Code section 39A.202 the Board of Trustees shall order an election of trustees in accordance with applicable provisions of law, provided that elected trustees do not assume any powers or duties after the election except as allowed by the Commissioner of Education pursuant to Texas Education Code section 39A.202 and 19 Texas Administrative Code section 97.1073. It is, therefore,

ORDERED by the Board of Trustees of the Beaumont Independent School District that:

Section 1: Trustee Election. An election is hereby ordered to be held on **Saturday, May 1, 2021**, during the hours prescribed by law (**7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.**), within the Beaumont Independent School District, for the purpose of electing trustees in the following four (4) positions:

- Single-member District 1 (4-year term)
- Single-member District 2 (4-year term)
- Single-member District 3 (4-year term)
- Single-member District 5 (4-year term)

Section 2: Candidate Applications for Place on the Ballot. Applications for a place on the ballot shall be filed after **8:00 a.m., January 13, 2021** and on or before **5:00 p.m., February 12, 2021**.

Section 3: Voting Precincts, Polling Places, Election Judges, Alternates, Clerks and Other Election Officials. The boundaries and territory of the respective existing Jefferson County precincts, wholly or partially within the territorial boundaries of BISD, are hereby designated as the voting precincts of BISD for the Election. The precinct numbers for BISD’s election precincts shall be the corresponding Jefferson County election precinct number of each precinct, if any.

The Board hereby approves the appointment of persons designated by Ms. Carolyn Guidry, the Jefferson County Clerk, to serve as election workers, to serve on the Early Voting Ballot Board, and to serve at the Central Counting Station. Such proposed presiding judges and alternate judges

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shall meet the eligibility requirements of Chapter 32, Subchapter C of the Texas Election Code. The rates of pay for such persons shall be determined by Jefferson County as shown in Election Services Contract between BISD and the County.

Section 4. Ballots. The ballots shall be suitable for use with an electronic voting system, and for the purposes of early voting by personal appearance and by mail, and shall otherwise conform to the requirements of the Texas Election Code as to permit the elections to vote for the candidate(s) of their choice.

Section 5. Early Voting. The Board appoints Ms. Carolyn Guidry, the Jefferson County Clerk, as the Joint Early Voting Clerk.

Early Voting by Personal Appearance: Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted at the early voting locations at the times noted below:

Locations

Beaumont Courthouse-Main location, I001 Pearl St., Beaumont, Texas

Rogers Park Recreation Center, 6540 Gladys, Beaumont, Texas

Theodore Johns Library, 4255 Fannett Rd., Beaumont, Texas

John Paul Davis Community Center, 3580 E Lucas, Beaumont, Texas

Monday, April19, 2021 -Friday, April23, 2021	8:00a.m.- 5:00p.m.
Saturday, April 24, 2021	7:00a.m. - 7:00p.m.
Sunday, April 25, 2021	noon - 5 p.m.
Monday, April 26, 2021-Tuesday, April27, 2021	7:00a.m. - 7:00p.m.

Early Voting by Mail: Ballot applications shall be addressed to: Ms. Carolyn Guidry, Joint Early Voting Clerk, Jefferson County, P.O. Box 1151 Beaumont, Texas 77704.

The period to apply for a ballot by mail is January 1, 2021, throughApril20, 2021. The application must be received by April 20, 2021 (postmarking alone is NOT sufficient).

For the use of those voters entitled by law to vote early by mail, the early voting clerk shall provide each voter with a ballot with instructions to mark the ballot indicating his or her vote(s) on the same ballots utilized for early voting by personal appearance at the Election.

Section 6. Delivery of Voted Ballots, Counting, Tabulation, Canvassing of Returns, and Declaring Results. The voted ballots shall be delivered, counted, and tabulated in accordance with the Texas Election Code. Ms. Carolyn Guidry, County Clerk, will make and deliver respective written returns of the Election. The Board will canvass the returns and declare the results of the Election.

Section 7. Appointment of Custodian of Records. To the extent not otherwise provided for in any joint election agreement or election services contract, the Board appoints Ms. Georgia Antoine, BISD Board Affairs, as the Custodian of Records (the “Custodian”) to perform the duties related to the conduct and maintenance of records of the Election as required under the Texas Election Code during the period beginning the 50th day before Election Day and ending not earlier than the 40th day after Election Day. In particular, the Custodian shall accept and maintain records regarding campaign expenditures that may be filed with BISD.

Section 8. Approval of the Appointment of Agent for BISD. The Board Secretary has appointed Ms. Georgia Antoine, BISD Board Affairs, as the Secretary’s agent (the “Agent”) to perform the duties of secretary related to the conduct and maintenance of records of the Election as required under the Texas Election Code during the period beginning the 50th day before Election Day and ending not earlier than the 40th day after Election Day. The Agent will maintain in her office the documents, records and other items relating to the election and will be the Agent designated to receive documents on behalf of BISD that are required by the Texas Election Code. The Agent will post notice of the location and hours of her office as required by the Texas Election Code.

Section 9. Notice of Election Publication and Posting.

Publication of Notice of Election: Notice of the Election shall be published one time in the English and Spanish languages, in a newspaper published within BISD’s territory at least ten (10) days before and no more than thirty (30) days before the Election and as otherwise may be required by the Texas Election Code.

Posting of Notice of Election: Notice of the Election shall also be posted in the English and Spanish languages on the bulletin board used by the Board to post notices of the Board’s meetings, and on the BISD’s website, no later than the twenty-first (21st) day before the Election.

Section 10. Authority of the Superintendent. The Superintendent shall have the authority to take, or cause to be taken, all actions reasonable and necessary to ensure that the Election is fairly held and returns properly counted and tabulated for canvass by the Board, which actions are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Section 11. Preamble Incorporation. The recitals contained in the preamble hereof are hereby found to be true, and such recitals are hereby made a part of this Order for all purposes and are adopted as a part of the judgment and findings of the Board.

Section 12. Inconsistent Provisions. All orders and resolutions, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Order are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Order shall be and remain controlling as to the matters ordered herein.

Section 13. Governing Law. This Order shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America.

Section 14. Severability. If any provision of this Order or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held to be invalid, the remainder of this Order and the application of such provision to other persons and circumstances shall nevertheless be valid, and the Board hereby declares that this Order would have been enacted without such invalid provision.

Section 15. Notice of Meeting. The Board officially finds, determines, recites and declares that written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of the meeting at which this Order is adopted was posted on a bulletin board located at a place convenient to the public at the BISD's administrative offices for at least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled time of the meeting; that a telephonic or telegraphic notice of such meeting was given to all news media who have consented to pay any and all expenses incurred by BISD in connection with providing such notice, both as required by the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended; and that such meeting was open to the public as required by law at all times during which this Order and the subject matter thereof was discussed, considered and formally acted upon.

Section 16. Authorization to Execute. The President of the Board is authorized to execute and the Secretary of the Board is authorized to attest this Order on behalf of the Board; and the President of the Board is authorized to do all other things legal and necessary in connection with the holding and consummation of the Election.

Section 17. Effective Date. This Order is effective immediately upon approval.

CERTIFICATE FOR ORDER

I certify that the foregoing order of election was presented to the Board of Trustees of the Beaumont Independent School District during a properly posted and duly called board meeting on January 25, 2021. A quorum of the Board of Trustees was present and it was duly moved and seconded that this Order be adopted. This Order was adopted according to the following record vote:

<u>Board Member Name</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Thomas Sigee	✓	_____	_____	_____
Denise Wallace-Spooner	✓	_____	_____	_____
Robert C. Dunn	✓	_____	_____	_____
Darrell Antwine, Sr.	✓	_____	_____	_____
Zenobia Bush	✓	_____	_____	_____
Kevin Reece	✓	_____	_____	_____
Matilda Hickman	✓	_____	_____	_____
VOTE TOTALS	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

To certify which, witness my hand this 25th day of January, 2021.

BEAUMONT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Thomas Sigee
Thomas Sigee, Board President

ATTEST:

Robert C. Dunn
Robert C. Dunn, Board Secretary

RETURN TO:

BISD
3395 HARRISON AVE.
BEAUMONT, TX 77706

FILED AND RECORDED
OFFICIAL PUBLIC RECORDS

Carolyn L. Guidry

Carolyn L. Guidry, County Clerk
Jefferson County, Texas

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