# TCAD BOARD ELECTION

Are Republicans pulling a fast one while you're not paying attention?

## WHY IT MATTERS

Travis Central Appraisal District (TCAD) Directors appoint Appraisal Review Board (ARB) members, who play a key role in the taxes paid on many properties.

A new state law means 3 Directors of TCAD must be elected. And at least 2 elected TCAD Directors must agree on all ARB appointments.

So just two elected TCAD members can call the shots.

## WHAT'S AT STAKE

If the ARB undervalues properties, that means fewer tax dollars come in, and *funding for schools gets slashed*.

And...if the State says a school district's properties are undervalued, **districts have to pay the difference.** 

That's already happened in <u>16 districts</u>, including **Conroe ISD**, now facing a \$33 million shortfall due to undervaluations.

## A SNEAK ATTACK?

#### A law passed under the radar

The new law passed virtually unnoticed as part of the constitutional amendment on homestead exemptions that voters approved in November.

### Do Republicans want to pay NO taxes?

In March, almost 80% of Texas Republicans said they'd like to get rid of property taxes, and not replace that revenue.

## Christian Nationalist Texas billionaires want to destroy Texas public schools

Money from <u>billionaire Tim Dunn</u> and pals is why Abbott's dead-set on school vouchers

Republicans running for TCAD likely share Dunn's views.

## VOTE

### FOR:

- Jett Hanna, Place 1
- Shenghao Daniel Wang, Place 2
- Dick Lavine, Place 3

(Ballot won't show Candidates' party.)

### WHEN:

- Early Apr 22 30
- Electon Day May 4

### WHY:

to stand up for public schools

### YOUR VOTE MATTERS MORE THAN EVER THIS TIME

Lots of Elections = Low Turnout

Republicans don't want you to vote. That's one reason Texas has so many elections – to overwhelm you.

It's likely just <u>3% of voters</u> will decide this election.

Let's show them we can do better.

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