

La Porte ISD Board of Trustees Board Meeting Highlights

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees March 8, 2016

The meeting of the La Porte ISD Board of Trustees was called to order by Lee Wallace, Board president. The La Porte High School Army JROTC Color Guard presented the colors and led the pledges to the United States and Texas flags. Debbie Stewart, principal of DeWalt School, gave the invocation.

Recognitions

The Board recognized seven La Porte ISD students who earned top honors at the district's annual Rodeo Art Show held on Jan. 14. Winners of the show advanced to the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Art Show on March 5. LPISD winners include the following:

Tess Wilson, Best of Show, La Porte High School Edyamin Hinojosa, Best of Show, Lomax Junior High School Tyler Harmon, Best of Show, College Park Elementary Britney Loerwald, Gold Medal, La Porte High School Joanna Munoz, Gold Medal, La Porte High School Kayleigh Bland, Gold Medal, Lomax Junior High School Calista Beck, Gold Medal, Bayshore Elementary

LPHS senior Charles Johnson also was honored as being a member of the Texas All-State Band for the second time. LPHS junior Elizabeth (Libby) Elkins was recognized for advancing to the national Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) competition after winning first place in the Texas DECA Career Development Conference Feb. 25 through 27.

Superintendent's Reports

Corey Marlar, LPISD director of maintenance, transportation and operations, and Sam Zaborowski, LPHS video production teacher, shared information about the new sports broadcasting program. Through the program, students are videotaping LPHS athletic events and live streaming them on the LPISD website. Games may be viewed by going to "Sports Broadcasting" under "Departments" at www.lpisd.org.

Board Action

In other action, the Board:

- approved the minutes of the Feb. 9, 2016, Board meeting.
- received principals' reports for all LPISD campuses.
- received financial reports for February 2016.
- approved budget amendments for March 2016.

- approved the proposal for and purchase of E-Rate Uninterruptible Power Supplies.
- approved the proposal for and purchase of E-Rate Wireless Cellular Service.
- approved response to the Charter School Statements for Aristoi Classical Academy and Texas College Preparatory Academy.
- approved the purchase of furniture for the new Baker Sixth Grade Center and Lomax Elementary School.
- approved the purchase of sound reinforcement systems for the Multi-Purpose Center.
- approved the purchase of test and balance professional services for Lomax Elementary and La Porte High School.
- adopted an order authorizing the issuance of La Porte ISD Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2016.
- approved the annual financial audit engagement for the year ended June 30, 2016.
- approved the request for proposal for construction manager at risk (CMAR) for additions and renovations to Bayshore Elementary School, Heritage Elementary School, Jennie Reid Elementary School and Rizzuto Elementary School
- approved certification declaring candidates for the May 7, 2016, general election (Dee Anne Thomson and Charleya Wheeler) unopposed.
- approved Resolution 2016-04 declaring each unopposed candidate elected to the office for which they filed and cancelling the LPISD May 7, 2016, general trustee election.
- approved the purchase of real property located at 526 San Jacinto St., La Porte, also known as the Neighborhood Center.
- approved supplements to the application for a Property Value Limitation made by Enterprise Products Operating LLC, pursuant to the Texas Economic Development Act, Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code, and authorized the Superintendent to negotiate and execute any necessary applications and agreements with Enterprise Products Operating LLC relating to Chapter 313 of the Tax Code, subject to final ratification by the Board of Trustees.