



La Porte ISD Board of Trustees *Board Meeting Highlights*

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees March 21, 2017

Dee Anne Thomson, president of the La Porte ISD Board of Trustees, called the meeting to order. Members of the La Porte High School JROTC presented the colors and led the pledges to the American and Texas flags. La Porte High School principal Todd Schoppe gave the invocation.

Recognitions

The Board recognized the team from Leo A. Rizzuto Elementary School that won first place in the solar division in the Jan. 28 Mars Rover Celebration at the University of Houston. Alexis Chapa, Bekah Gilmore and Gavin McEvoy earned top honors in the engineering challenge, which included over 100 teams.

In addition, the Board acknowledged three La Porte Junior High School students who received awards at the 58th Annual Science and Engineering Fair of Houston held Feb. 24 and 25 at the University of Houston. Seventh grader Sara Adnane won second place with her project, "A Comparison of Fallout Pollution in the Greater Houston Area," and will compete at the Texas Science and Engineering Fair in San Antonio March 30 through April 2. Eighth grader Charlee Hall earned the first-place Air Alliance Award for her project, "Brrr...eathe Better by the Bay," and eighth grader Chloe Lau received the Jacobs Young Explorer Award for "Wind Power."

The La Porte ISD Business Office also was recognized for earning two awards for excellence in financial reporting. LPISD received the Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Association of School Business Officials (ASBO) for having met or exceeded the program's high standards for financial reporting and accountability, based on its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending 2016. In addition, the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada also recognized La Porte ISD with a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting, its highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting.

Superintendent's Reports

Superintendent Lloyd W. Graham provided a report on proposed school funding changes.

Board Action

In other action, the Board:

- heard from a patron regarding a transportation concern.
- approved the minutes of the regular Board meeting of Feb. 14, 2017.
- approved principals' reports for all La Porte ISD campuses.
- received financial reports for February 2017.
- approved a budget amendment.

- approved the employment of Megan Williams, second grade teacher at La Porte Elementary School.
- approved the Instructional Materials Allotment and TEKS Certification, 2017-18.
- approved the State-Adopted List of Instructional Materials under Proclamation 2017.
- approved the Interlocal Agreement for Joint Elections made and entered into by and among the City of La Porte, La Porte ISD and San Jacinto College.
- approved the response to the Charter School Statements for Texans Can Academies and the Richard Milburn Academy.
- approved Angela Garza-Viator, executive director of human resources, as a Board designee other than the Superintendent to accept resignations from Chapter 21 contract employees.
- received TASB Policy Update 107 affecting Local Policies CDC, CJ, DC, DEE, DFAA, DFBA, DFCA, FEA, FJ and GE.
- received information naming Angela Garza-Viator, executive director of human resources, as the new Title IX coordinator for La Porte ISD.