



La Porte ISD Board of Trustees *Board Meeting Highlights*

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees May 19, 2015

Lee Wallace, president of the La Porte ISD Board of Trustees, called the meeting to order. La Porte High School JROTC members presented the colors and led the pledges to the United States and Texas flags. Camilla Whitlock, principal of College Park Elementary School, gave the invocation.

Recognitions

La Porte High School culinary arts students Erica Andrade and Minmin Li were recognized for winning the La Porte ISD Nutrition Department's recent healthy recipe contest. In the contest, students were challenged to create an entrée and side dish that cost \$1.25 or less per serving, meet the nutritional requirements for school meals, and are replicable in a school cooking environment. The chicken salad sandwich and vegetable soup menu created by Erica and Minmin was featured during all lunch periods at LPHS on May 14.

The Board also recognized District and Campus Teachers of the Year and the Rookie Teacher of the Year. Yalonda Joseph of College Park Elementary and Sam Zaborowski of La Porte High School were honored as the District Elementary and Secondary Teachers of the Year, respectively. Other elementary campus honorees included Brandee Hake, Bayshore; Sandra Alaniz, Heritage; Belva Perry, La Porte; Lisa Martin, Lomax; Amber Zigler, Jennie Reid; and Shannon Fanning, Rizzuto. Additional secondary honorees were Deborah Gardner, Baker Sixth Grade Campus; Bryan Sutherland, La Porte Junior High; Jared Lucas, Lomax Junior High; Betsy Selby, DeWalt School; and April Klinkerman, La Porte High School. Blake Minor of Lomax Junior High School was recognized as the Rookie Teacher of the Year.

Superintendent's Reports

The Board of Trustees heard an update on construction projects led by Jeff Fisher of Gallagher Construction, program manager for the 2014 bond projects.

Canvassing of Trustee Election/Oath of Office

The results of the May 9, 2015, Board of Trustees election were read into the record. For Position 4, Lee Wallace received 587 votes, and Bob Guy received 218 votes. For Position 5, David L. Janda, Jr., received 628 votes, and William Stone received 232 votes.

Ruth Hoyle, administrative assistant to the Superintendent and Board of Trustees, administered the oath of office to Lee Wallace and David L. Janda, Jr.

Board Action

In other action, the Board:

- approved the minutes of the April 14, 2015, regular Board meeting.
- received financial reports for April 2015.
- approved budget amendments for May 2015
- approved the employment of professional staff, including Araina Brooks, Jill Gonzales, Erika Macias and Lan Nguyen, Bayshore Elementary; Kimberly Donnelly, Jessica Gunn, Ann Hessler and Krista Stutz, College Park Elementary; Ashley Free and Carolyn Mathis, Jennie Reid Elementary; Melissa Garza, La Porte Elementary; Dawn Sandoval, Rizzuto Elementary; Courtney Wagner, Lomax Junior High School; and Christina Todaro, La Porte High School; and educational diagnostician Cheryl Waller, Special Programs.
- approved Instructional Materials Allotment expenditures for instructional materials under Proclamation 2015.
- approved first reading of the Updates to EIF (Local).
- approved Board Resolution No. 2015-08 for Schools and Libraries Universal Services (E-Rate) for 2015-2016.
- approved Board Resolution No. 2015-09 to extend the current depository contract.
- approved 2015-2016 Harris County Department of Education Academic Behavior Center (ABC) inter-local contract.
- approved inter-local agreement for Harris County Public Health and Environmental Services
- approved change order for the purchase of grocery products for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year.
- approved the beginning of a new three-year contract for workers' compensation coverage.
- approved the purchase of additional computer hard drives.
- approved Option 3 agreement for the purchase of attendance credits.
- approved project delivery/contract award methods to be used for construction projects related to the 2014 bond program.
- adopted Resolution No. 2015-10 to grant an extension of time for the approval or disapproval of a pending application for a property tax limitation, pursuant to Texas Tax Code § 313.025.
- approved agreement and purchase of relocation equipment and services.
- approved probationary, term and non-certified contract recommendations for certified teachers and admin/professional pay grades 1, 2, 3 and 4.
- authorized Superintendent Lloyd Graham to approve hiring of contract professionals of principal level or below on the district's pay scale from May 20, 2015, to August 16, 2015.
- received principals' reports.
- approved Board Resolution No. 2015-07 for the La Porte Independent School District implementation of Senate Bill 149.
- approved the purchase of the athletic lighting system for La Porte High School softball field and tennis courts.
- approved the purchase of spectator and/or athlete natatorium seating for La Porte High School.
- approved the purchase of a new aquatics scoreboard, timing system, software and pool equipment for La Porte High School natatorium.