



## *La Porte ISD Board of Trustees*

# *Board Meeting Highlights*

### **Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees August 14, 2012**

The August 14, 2012, meeting of the La Porte ISD Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Following the Pledges of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags, Angela Garza-Viator, principal of La Porte Elementary School, gave the invocation.

#### ***Recognitions***

- The Board of Trustees recognized Dalia Mendiola, 2012 La Porte High School graduate, who earned fifth place at the national SkillsUSA auto refinishing competition in Kansas City, Missouri, in June. She was the student of auto refinishing teacher Valentin Trevino.

#### ***Superintendent's Reports***

- Superintendent Lloyd Graham presented a brief report on preparations for the start of the 2012-13 school year.

#### ***Board Action***

The Board took the following action:

- approved the minutes of the July 24, 2012, regular Board meeting.
- approved the employment of teachers Felicia Byrd, La Porte High School; Jose De Los Reyes, Bayshore Elementary; Toby Edwards, La Porte Junior High; Alice Franks, La Porte High School; Maria Gealon, La Porte High School; Eric Lambert, Lomax Junior High; Jared Lucas, Lomax Junior High; Melissa Mansker, La Porte Junior High; Wendy McCarthy, College Park Elementary; Kate Menefee, Lomax Junior High; Amber Phillips, Jennie Reid Elementary; Alisha Sheffield, Lomax Elementary; Deidra Shepherd, La Porte Junior High; Mia Thymes, La Porte Junior High; Carl Varg, La Porte High School; Bernice Villanueva, Rizzuto Elementary; and Lauren Zantop, College Park Elementary; and educational diagnosticians Natalie Edwards-Hudson and Icela Escobar.
- approved the 2012-13 Professional Development and Appraisal System (PDAS) appraisal calendar and PDAS list of teacher appraisers.
- received financial reports for July 2012.
- endorsed Ron Crier for Texas Association of School Boards director, Region 4A.
- waived the first reading and approved the second reading and adoption of DH(Local) Policy on Employee Standards of Conduct.
- approved the agreement for speech therapy services with SLP School Staffing, LLC.
- approved the purchase of lawn and grounds care maintenance equipment.
- approved the recommendation of the Superintendent concerning the termination of Kevin Wheeler and authorized him to provide appropriate notice of the termination to Mr. Wheeler.