

La Porte ISD Board of Trustees Board Meeting Highlights

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees October 9, 2012

Board President Kathy Green called the meeting to order. The La Porte High School JROTC presented the colors and led the pledges to the United States and Texas flags. Deanna Narcisse, principal at Rizzuto Elementary School, gave the invocation.

Recognitions

• On behalf of the Board, Dee Anne Thomson presented Chris Murdock, Maintenance Department staff member, with a Bulldog Award. Mr. Murdock recently assisted in saving the life of an individual who was involved in an automobile accident.

Superintendent's Reports

- Superintendent Lloyd Graham provided a report on enrollment, explaining that the district currently has approximately 7,750 students.
- In the Board/Administration Calendar report, Superintendent Graham noted that he spoke at the Oct. 9 meeting of the Plant Managers Network and discussed the topics he addressed there.

Public Hearing

• The Board held a public hearing on the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) for the 2010-2011 school year. Rhonda Cumbie, chief financial officer, presented information about the report, noting the La Porte ISD earned the rating of "Superior Achievement" with the highest score possible.

Board Action

The Board took the following action:

- approved the minutes of the Sept. 11, 2012, regular Board meeting.
- received principal's reports from all LPISD campuses.
- approved the employment of Heather Rubin, teacher at La Porte Junior High School.
- received financial reports for September 2012.
- approved the budget amendment for October 2012 as presented.
- approved the 2012-2013 District Improvement Plan.
- approved the 2012-2013 Campus Improvement Plans.
- approved the 2012-2013 Professional Development and Appraisal System (PDAS) List of Teacher Appraisers, as amended.
- approved the partnership agreement for Communities in Schools at La Porte High School, Lomax Junior High School, and La Porte Junior High School.
- approved the service fee for Tri-County East School Program for the Deaf 2012-2013.
- received a report on the Student Technology Initiative. Eddie Hill, executive director of technology, made a presentation about the program.
- approved a maximum class size waiver request.
- approved the purchase of the eFinance PLUS 5.0 software upgrade.