



La Porte ISD Board of Trustees

Board Meeting Highlights

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees October 10, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Board of Trustees President Dee Anne Thomson. La Porte High School JROTC cadets led the pledges to the American and Texas flags. Deanna Narcisse, principal at Leo A. Rizzuto Elementary School, gave the invocation.

Recognitions

The Board recognized members of the La Porte ISD human resources staff in observance of Texas Education Human Resources Day on Oct. 10. District human resources staff members include Angela Garza-Viator, executive director of human resources; Susan Julian, director of human resources; and Candace Olivares, Tina Pettis, and Aleida Ramirez, human resources specialists.

In addition, in observance of Principals Month in October, the Board honored La Porte ISD principals and assistant principals. Elementary principals and assistant principals, respectively, include Donna Spaugh and Kimberly Lanham, Bayshore; Camilla Whitlock and Tracy Greenwood, College Park; Grisel Wallace and Linda Hyde, Heritage; Carol Williams and Jessica Rose, La Porte; Patricia Herrera-Johnson and Tami King, Lomax; Diane Weeden and Lisa Basile, Jennie Reid; and Deanna Narcisse and Glenda Hernandez, Leo A. Rizzuto. Secondary campus administrators include Dr. Alicia Upchurch and Curtis Daugherty, James H. Baker Sixth Grade Campus; Candace Pohl, Chris Viator and Jennifer Engels, La Porte Junior High; Dr. Larry Gerhart, Michael Alvarez and Alice Schwarz, Lomax Junior High; Debbie Stewart and Barbara Farmer, Viola DeWalt High School; and Carlin Grammer, Dr. Kade Griffin, Yesenia De La Cruz, Mindy Evans, Nekeba George, Dr. Thad Mitchell and Debbie Seibert, La Porte High School.

The La Porte Education Foundation also presented a symbolic check to the Board representing the \$43,000 raised by the foundation and its business and industry partners to assist LPISD employees with Hurricane Harvey relief. The foundation Board of Directors recently presented 86 staff members significantly impacted by the storm with \$500 Visa gift cards.

Superintendent's Reports

Superintendent Lloyd Graham provided an update on La Porte ISD's recovery from Hurricane Harvey.

A report on La Porte Junior High and its Public Education Grant status was given by Dr. Linda Wadleigh, deputy superintendent; Danette Tilley, executive director of secondary education; and Candace Pohl, La Porte Junior High principal.

Dr. Wadleigh also led the report on bullying prevention and procedures.

Board Action

In other action, the Board:

- held a public hearing on Amendment No. 1 to Limitation on Appraised Value Agreement between the district and Celanese Ltd., Texas Comptroller Application Number 282, pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code.
- approved the minutes of the Sept. 12, 2017, regular Board meeting.
- received principals' reports from all La Porte ISD campuses.
- received financial reports for September 2017.
- received the 2017-18 District Improvement Plan and Campus Improvement Plans.
- approved a budget amendment.
- approved second reading and adoption of TASB Local Policy Update for Policies AF, DBA, DK, EB, EEB and FO.
- approved second reading and adoption of TASB Policy Update 108 affecting Local Policies EF, EFA, EFAA, EG, EH, EHDB, EIF, EL and GKB.
- approved La Porte ISD District of Innovation Expansion Plan.
- approved inter-local contract with Harris County Department of Education for math coaching services.
- approved a resolution of appreciation for La Porte (Indiana) Community School Corporation.
- approved a resolution of appreciation for Coahoma ISD.
- approved a resolution of appreciation for the La Porte Education Foundation and the foundation's Partners Program and other businesses and industries.
- approved a resolution and order of La Porte ISD authorizing the reappraisal of property within La Porte ISD (Harris County) damaged by Hurricane Harvey and flooding caused by the storm.
- approved the La Porte ISD recognition program bylaws and committee recommendations.
- approved the donation of POW-MIA Seat of Honor to the La Porte ISD Multi-Purpose Center.
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