



## *La Porte ISD Board of Trustees*

# *Board Meeting Highlights*

### **Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees** **January 13, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by Lee Wallace, president of the La Porte ISD Board of Trustees. The La Porte High School JROTC presented the colors and led the pledges to the United States and Texas flags. Danette Tilley, principal at Lomax Junior High School, gave the invocation.

#### ***Recognitions***

- Members of the Board of Trustees were honored in observance of January as School Board Recognition Month. The theme for the month is “A Work of Heart,” and Board members were presented with baskets filled with cards, letters, and other tokens of appreciation from LPISD campuses. The Board Room was also decorated with banners and posters created by LPISD students. Special presentations were made by several campuses, and Board members were presented with certificates of appreciation as well.
- Trustee Kathy Green presented Baker Sixth Grade Campus principal Mindy Evans with a Bulldog Award.

#### ***Superintendent’s Reports***

- David Knowles, executive director of secondary education, provided a report on the 2015-2016 school calendar.
- Debbie Seibert, coordinator of career and technical education, gave a presentation on the La Porte High School career and technical education program.

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

In other action, the Board:

- heard from a citizen concerning facility rental costs.
- approved the extension of the Superintendent’s current employment contract for an additional year.
- approved the minutes of the Dec. 9, 2014, regular Board meeting and the Dec. 16, 2014, called Board meeting.
- received principals’ reports from all LPISD campuses.
- approved the employment of professional staff, including teachers Carrie Estrems, La Porte High School; Zaibunnisha Momin, College Park Elementary; Wendy Reyes, Bayshore Elementary; Ashley Rone Schilling, Bayshore Elementary; Katrina Torres, La Porte Junior High School; and reading intervention specialist Melissa Khoury, Jennie Reid Elementary.
- received financial reports for December 2014.
- approved budget amendments for January 2014.
- received TASB Policy Update 101 affecting Local Policies BE, CH, DGBA, EB, FFA, FFG, FNG and GF.
- approved the response to the Charter School Statement of A+ Unlimited Potential.
- approved the response to the Charter School Statement of The Early Career Academy.

- approved Board Resolution 2014-27 authorizing investing with Austin County State Bank.
- approved the proposed interlocal agreement for joint elections between the City of La Porte, La Porte ISD and San Jacinto College.
- approved Board Resolution 2014-26 to expand the state's investment in prekindergarten education.
- approved the purchase of land surveying services for various bond projects.
- ratified the contract for material testing services for the new Lomax Elementary School.
- approved the purchase of scoreboards and timing equipment, to include scoreboards for volleyball, basketball, soccer, track and football as well as for the new multi-purpose center.
- approved the agreement for payment in lieu of taxes with Dunavant Trans Gulf Transportation, LLC.
- approved the agreement for payment in lieu of taxes with Floor and Décor Outlets of America, Inc.
- approved the agreement for payment in lieu of taxes with Red Bull North America.