



La Porte ISD Board of Trustees

Board Meeting Highlights

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees September 10, 2013

Kathy Green, president of the Board of Trustees, called the meeting to order. Following the presentation of the colors by the La Porte High School JROTC and pledges to the American and Texas flags, Angela Garza-Viator, principal of La Porte Elementary School, gave the invocation.

Superintendent's Reports

The Board heard a report from Mike Clausen, assistant superintendent, on the 2013 safety audits conducted by the Harris County Department of Education's Center for Safe and Secure Schools.

In other action, the Board:

- heard public comments from a new local business owner.
- approved the minutes of the Aug. 3, 2013, Board training meeting and the Aug. 13, 2013, regular Board meeting.
- received the principals' reports.
- received the 2013-2014 Campus Handbooks.
- approved the employment of professional staff, including teachers Julian Borrego, La Porte High School; Jennifer Castillo-Vasquez, Rizzuto Elementary; and Carmel Thomas, Lomax Elementary; and counselor Jasmine Hypolite, La Porte High School.
- received financial reports for August 2013.
- approved budget amendments for September 2013 as presented.
- approved Board Resolution #2013-21 declaring the extracurricular status of 4-H.
- conducted a public hearing on the donation of real property and improvements, commonly known as the Old Schoolhouse located at Lots 17 & 18, Block 90, to the City of La Porte, and approved Board Resolution #2013-22 authorizing this donation.
- approved the retroactive extension of 60 days to the time period for Board action on the application of Noltex, L.L.C., for a Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District and Maintenance and Operations Taxes and Board Resolution #2013-26 regarding the same.
- approved the extension of 60 days to the time period for Board action on the application of Celanese Ltd. for a Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes and Board Resolution #2013-23 regarding the same.
- conducted a public hearing on the creation of the Equistar Reinvestment Zone Number Two.
- conducted a public hearing on the application of Equistar Chemicals, LP, for an Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property.
- adopted Board Resolution #2013-24 to create the Equistar Reinvestment Zone Number Two in order to implement the application of Equistar Chemicals, LP, for an Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property.
- approved findings under the Texas Economic Development Act on the application for Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property submitted by Equistar Chemicals, LP.
- approved the agreement for Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes with Equistar Chemicals, LP.
- conducted a public hearing on the creation of the Noltex L.L.C. Reinvestment Zone.

- conducted a public hearing on the application of Noltex L.L.C. for an Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property.
- adopted Board Resolution #2013-25 to create the Noltex L.L.C. Reinvestment Zone in order to implement the application of Noltex L.L.C. for an Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property
- approved findings under the Texas Economic Development Act on the application for Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property submitted by Noltex L.L.C.
- approved the request for waiver of job creation requirement from Noltex L.L.C.
- approved the agreement for Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes with Noltex L.L.C.
- approved the maximum class size waiver.