



La Porte ISD Board of Trustees

Board Meeting Highlights

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees January 22, 2019

Dee Anne Thomson, president of the Board of Trustees, called the meeting to order. La Porte High School JROTC cadets presented the colors and led the pledges to the American and Texas flags. Earnest Brooks, principal of La Porte Junior High School, gave the invocation.

Recognitions

The Board recognized La Porte High School teacher Sarah Kotasek for being selected as the 2019 Texas Outstanding Teacher of American History by the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). Ms. Kotasek was nominated for the honor by the Jane Long Chapter of the National Society of the DAR, and her application and essay will now be considered for the national award. Also recognized was Ms. Kotasek's mother, Laura Barker, also a La Porte High School social studies teacher, who inspired her to become a teacher.

La Porte ISD campuses paid tribute to the Board of Trustees in observance of January as School Board Recognition Month. "Planting Seeds of Success" was the theme this year, with students and staff from district schools providing decorations, thank-you cards and posters, and take-home items in keeping with the theme.

Reports

Deputy Superintendent Mike Clausen provided information on the budget planning calendar, election information and board reorganization. Deputy Superintendent Dr. Linda Wadleigh followed with a presentation on the 2017-18 Texas Academic Performance Report.

Board Action

In other action, the Board:

- held a public hearing on the 2017-18 Texas Academic Performance Report.
- held a public hearing regarding the establishment of the Celanese Reinvestment Zone, pursuant to Chapters 312 and 313 of the Texas Tax Code.
- approved the minutes of the Dec. 11, 2018, regular Board meeting and the January 8, 2019, called Board meeting.
- received principals' reports for all La Porte ISD campuses.
- received financial reports for December 2018.
- received a Human Resources report.
- approved the proposed 2019-20 instructional school calendar.

- approved the Tri-County East Regional Day School Program for the Deaf Shared Services Arrangement Agreement.
- approved the bid for the district sale of real property and adopted a resolution (No. 2019-01) to sell such property owned by La Porte ISD, pursuant to the terms and conditions of purchase and sale related to such properties, specifically described as LTS 39 and 42 and TRS 40 and 42, La Porte Outlots, 11807 North D St., La Porte, Texas 77571.
- discussed and approved Resolution No. 2019-02 designating an area within the district and within Harris County as a Reinvestment Zone in anticipation of a Texas Tax Code Chapter 313 Appraised Value Limitation in La Porte ISD, to be known as the Celanese Reinvestment zone; establishing the boundaries thereof; and providing for an effective date.