

**The Board of Trustees
La Porte Independent School District
Notice of Regular Meeting**



A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of La Porte Independent School District will be held Tuesday, November 12, 2013 beginning at 6:00 PM in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 1002 San Jacinto St, La Porte, TX 77571. A livestream of this meeting will be broadcast online at: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCU_VbqU3yaIX4RtLbD_ZaGg

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting notice.

The notice for this meeting was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meeting Act on November 8, 2013, at 12:30 p.m.

I. Call to Order

CALL TO ORDER and an announcement by the president that a notice of the meeting has been posted in a manner required by law, and that a quorum is present.

II. Closed Meeting from 6:00 - 7:00 pm

III. Reconvene from Closed Meeting 7:00 pm

IV. Pledge and Invocation

A. Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags.

B. Invocation will be given by Ms. Camilla Whitlock, Baker 6th Grade Campus.

V. Board Recognitions

A. Student and Staff Recognitions

VI. Public Comments

The Board will now hear those who wish to make comments and who have completed and returned the Public Comment Participation Request. This section will be conducted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act and Board Policy. Complaints and concerns, for which other resolution channels are provided, shall be directed through those channels.

VII. Reports

A. Superintendent's Report

VIII. Receive the Annual Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2013

Weaver and Tidwell, L.L.P.

IX. Public Hearing on Annual Financial Report

Rhonda Cumbia, Chief Financial Officer

X. Public Hearing on the District's Financial Rating System of Texas (FIRST) for the 2011-2012 fiscal year.

Conduct a Public Hearing for the District's Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) Report.

Rhonda Cumbie, Chief Financial Officer

XI. Consent Agenda

A. Determine and Approve any Consent Agenda Items.

- B. Approve Board Meeting Minutes
 - 1. Regular Board Mtg., September 10, 2013
 - 2. Regular Board Mtg., October 8, 2013
 - 3. Special/Workshop Mtg., October 22, 2013
- C. Receive Principals' Reports
 - 1. Bayshore Elementary
 - 2. College Park Elementary
 - 3. Heritage Elementary
 - 4. La Porte Elementary
 - 5. Lomax Elementary
 - 6. Reid Elementary
 - 7. Rizzuto Elementary
 - 8. Baker 6th Grade Campus
 - 9. La Porte Junior High
 - 10. Lomax Junior High
 - 11. La Porte High School
 - 12. DeWalt Alternative School
- D. Approve Employment of Professional Staff.
- E. Receive Financial Reports for October, 2013.
- F. Approve Budget Amendments for November 2013, as presented.
- G. Approve Board Resolution #2013-32, amending TexPool Authorized Representatives.
- H. Approve Amending the First Public Authorized Representatives as presented.
- I. Vote for Nominee for Harris County Appraisal District Board of Directors and approve Board Resolution # 2013-33, regarding the same.
- J. Approve the first reading of TASB Policy Update 98 affecting local policies BBE, DBA, DFFA, DFFB, DGBA, DH, DNA, EC, EIA, FEA, and FEC.
- K. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding between La Porte ISD and the La Porte Education Foundation

XII. Action and/or Discussion Items

- A. Approve the Application and Set Fee for a Property Value Limitation pursuant to the Texas Economic Development Act Chapter 313 Tax Code by Lub-Line Corp. and authorize the Superintendent to negotiate with and engage necessary consultants and legal counsel and execute any necessary applications and agreements with Lub-Line Corp. relating to Chapter 313 of the Tax Code, subject to final ratification by the Board of Trustees.
- B. Conduct Public Hearing on the creation of The Linde Gas North America LLC Reinvestment Zone pursuant to Texas Tax Code § 312.0025.
- C. Conduct Public Hearing on the Application of Linde Gas North America LLC for an Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property, pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Property Tax Code.
- D. Adopt Board Resolution #2013-31, to create The Linde Gas North America LLC Reinvestment Zone pursuant to Texas Tax Code § 312.0025, in order to

implement Application of Linde Gas North America for an Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property, pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code.

- E. Approve Findings under the Texas Economic Development Act on the Application for Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property submitted by Linde Gas North America LLC.
- F. Approve Agreement for Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes with Linde Gas North America LLC.
- G. Approve the Annual Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2013.

XIII. **Action on Closed Session Items**

XIV. **Comments of Board and Superintendent**

XV. **Adjournment**

Closed meeting will be held for the purposes authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.071 et seq. concerning any and all purposes permitted by the Act, including but not limited to the following sections and purposes:

Texas Government Code Section:

- 551.071 For the purpose to consult with District's attorney, in person or by phone, on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the District under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, and regarding any matter listed on the agenda.
- 551.074 For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, resignation, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, termination or dismissal of a public officer or employee.
 - 1. Consider appointment, employment, resignation, termination, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer and/or professional and non-professional personnel.
 - 2. Consider administrative recommendations with regard to professional employees.
 - 3. Consider renewals, non-renewals and terminations of contracts for professional and nonprofessional personnel.

If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E. Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

Walter G. Jackson, Ed. D., Superintendent of Schools