



**OAK PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT 97  
260 MADISON STREET, OAK PARK, ILLINOIS  
BOARD MEETING  
October 12, 2021, 7:00 PM**

- BOARD NORMS**
- Be prepared and present
  - Respect different opinions
  - Be as concise as possible
  - Enable all opinions to be heard
  - Seek to understand and then to be understood
  - Assume positive intent
  - Hard on ideas, easy on people

**District 97 Vision and Goals**

*Create a positive learning environment for all students that is equitable, inclusive and focused on the whole child.*

**1. Inclusivity**

*The collective responsibility to provide equitable opportunities for access and promote active participation of all stakeholders in an accepting and supporting environment.*

**2. Positive Learning Environment**

*A place where all members of the school community are engaged in hands-on, real-world experiences and feel safe, empowered, supported and valued.*

**3. Equity**

*The practice of beliefs and creation of systems that provide access and opportunities, fair treatment, and full inclusion of all students. This applies across race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, gender identity and expression, disability and different learning needs, sexual orientation, language, immigrant status, religion, and other characteristics in order to realize equitable opportunities and outcomes for everyone.*

**4. Whole-Child-Focused**

*Supporting, measuring and celebrating all aspects of a student's development (social/emotional, academic, physical, artistic) through caring and respectful relationships.*

**We will ensure that every D97 student witnesses, achieves or begins experiencing what it means to be:  
A known, nurtured and celebrated LEARNER.  
An empowered and passionate SCHOLAR.  
A confident and persistent ACHIEVER.  
A creative CRITICAL THINKER AND GLOBAL CITIZEN**

**6:00 PM - EXECUTIVE SESSION (Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees or Legal Counsel for the District & Collective Negotiating 5 ILCS 120/2 (C)(1)(2))**

**The Board of Education of Oak Park Elementary School District 97, Cook County, Illinois, will convene a regular meeting in the board room, 260 Madison Street, Oak Park, Illinois.**

A disaster declaration relating to public health concerns has been issued for at least a portion of the public body's jurisdiction. In consideration of this, the COVID-19 health pandemic and the District's hybrid plan, President Jung Kim and Interim Superintendents Dr. Griff Powell & Dr. Patricia Wernet has determined that a fully accessible in-person meeting is not practical or prudent. As permitted by 5 ILCS 120/7(e), this meeting may be conducted by audio or video conference.

One or more board members will be physically present at the regular meeting location. Given COVID-19 considerations, the administration has determined that it is not feasible to allow members of the public to attend the meeting in-person. Staff and citizens may participate in the meeting via: *Zoom*. Access information is listed below.

Members of the public will be offered an opportunity to address the board during the public comment portion of the meeting via video/telephone access with prior notice to the District. For those who wish to address the board live during the meeting, please email [d97board@op97.org](mailto:d97board@op97.org) before 4 p.m. on the day prior to the board meeting, and a Zoom link will be provided. Your name will be called when it is your time to speak. Alternatively, members of the public may submit public comments by email prior to the board meeting, to be announced during the public comment portion of the meeting. Email submissions should be made by 7 p.m. on the date of the meeting and sent to [d97board@op97.org](mailto:d97board@op97.org).

1. **7:00 PM - CALL TO ORDER**

2. **ROLL CALL**

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. Public Comment should be submitted to [d97board@op97.org](mailto:d97board@op97.org). Comments received on the day of this meeting prior to 7:00 p.m. will be read aloud during the meeting. Emails received during the meeting will not be read aloud, but will be included in the official minutes of the meeting.

4. **ACTION ITEMS**

1. **Consent Agenda**

1. Approval of Minutes from the September 28, 2021 Board Meeting
2. Bill List
3. Personnel

5. **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

6. **SPECIAL REPORTS**

1. School Update

7. **BOARD ASSIGNMENTS**

1. Standing Board Committee Liaison Report Follow Up (as needed - FAC, FORC, CCE and CLAIM)
2. Intergovernmental Liaison Report Follow Up (As needed - IGOV, PTO Council, CEC, OPEF, Community Council, Tri-Board on Equity, Policy, and Self-Evaluation)

8. **CONCLUDING ITEMS**

1. Board Remarks
2. Agenda Maintenance

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

10. **INFORMATION ONLY**

The Oak Park School District 97 does not discriminate on the basis of disabilities in the admission or access to its programs or activities. We invite individuals requiring reasonable accommodation to contact the ADA Coordinator (524-3030) at least 48 hours before the scheduled meeting time. This agenda can also be made available on audiotape.