## Oak Park Elementary School District #97 Bylaws & Policies

## 7230 - GIFTS, GRANTS, AND BEQUESTS

The Board of Education is duly appreciative of public interest in and good will toward the schools manifested through gifts, grants, and bequests. **The Board is committed to ensuring equal educational opportunities in each of the District's schools, and will not allow gifts, grants, and bequests to create inequities among them. Therefore, the Board reserves the right, however, to specify the manner in which gifts are made; to define the type of gift, grant, or bequest which it considers appropriate; and to reject those which it deems inappropriate or unsuitable. If accepted, the Board will attempt to carry out the wishes of the donor.** 

All accepted gifts, grants, or bequests shall be acknowledged by the Board.

Gifts, grants, and bequests shall become the property of the Board and will be subject to use by the District as determined by the policies and administrative guidelines applying to all properties, equipment, materials, and funds owned by the Board.

Any equipment purchased by a parent organization for use in the school or at a District-related event shall be submitted to the principal or superintendent prior to purchase, so it can determine if the District would incur any liability by its use. The Board reserves the right to not accept such liability and thus deny the use of the equipment by students or District employees.

The board and administration will actively encourage the support of the district through gifts, grants, and bequests. The district will make a list of items or support that it desires and have that available to the community. The superintendent shall promulgate procedures and publicize them at the start of each school year to insure parent organizations are fully informed about the process and limitations of giving gifts.

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