

## **The Ad Hoc Dashboard/Benchmark Board Committee**

### **Overview:**

In support of its vision that Oak Park Elementary School District 97 be nationally recognized as an educational system that successfully prepares students to pursue college and careers, it is essential that the District 97 Board of Education rely upon a set of key performance indicators to track District progress towards achieving that vision, providing data on the district's continuous improvement process, and communicating relevant information to community members.

### **Purpose:**

Through the establishment of an Ad Hoc Dashboard/Benchmark Board Committee, the District 97 Board of Education will create a Dashboard (set of Benchmarks) aligned with the District's vision, mission statement, beliefs, objectives and parameters. Additionally, the Dashboard/Benchmarks will be aligned to current academic research and be informed by dashboards used or being developed by Oak Park and River Forest District 200, River Forest District 90, the Collaboration for Early Childhood, the Oak Park and River Forest Community Foundation and the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE). The Dashboard/Benchmarks will focus on measures of student and staff activity. The primary work of the committee will be to incorporate Board priorities into its agenda. The committee will update the Board on their activities related to Board priorities.

### **Charge:**

The Ad Hoc Dashboard/Benchmark Board Committee will create a dashboard that focuses on the Board's priorities, the district's vision and mission statements, beliefs, objectives, parameters, and strategies by:

- Studying academic, operational and financial components
- Analyzing baseline, annual and multi-year performance measures, and comparing the analyses to similar Illinois districts and to a national standard of performance
- Working in partnership with Oak Park and River Forest High School District 200, River Forest School District 90, the Collaboration for Early Childhood, the Oak Park and River Forest Community Foundation, and ISBE to align the Dashboard/Benchmarks as appropriate
- Researching and identifying state and national best practices related to measuring district and school performance and making recommendations to the Board regarding the implementation of those practices in District 97.

**Composition:**

The Ad Hoc Dashboard/Benchmark Board Committee will be composed of representatives from a broad cross-section of District 97 stakeholders. The selection practice will be the same process used for selecting community members to serve on all Board committees. The appointment process will ensure that no committee members have conflicts of interest.

**Non-voting** members:

- Two members of the District 97 Board of Education
- Three members of the District 97 administration, appointed by the superintendent
- Superintendent, as ex-officio member

**Voting** members:

- Five community members, who reflect community diversity, and possess the relevant skills, experience and knowledge.

This is an ad hoc committee that we expect to exist for one year. The Board President will appoint the members and the chair of the committee. The committee will meet at least monthly.

**Open Meetings:**

As a District 97 Board of Education committee, all meetings will be subject to the Illinois Open Meetings Act.