



**OAK PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT 97  
260 MADISON STREET, OAK PARK, ILLINOIS  
BOARD MEETING  
March 13, 2017, 6:00 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

**2016-2017 Board Goals**

All goals should be viewed through the lens of the community

- 1) Build deeper knowledge and understand of the four terms framing the District Goals - Equity, Inclusive, Whole Child Focus and Positive Learning Environment through community engagement.
- 2) Develop strategies to further advance community awareness regarding the fiscal condition, needs of the district and the opportunities offered by the planned referendum.
- 3) Review and refine the norms, protocols and work plans needed for Board preparation and meetings that will yield greater board and administration effectiveness and efficiency. Update district policy to communicate and advance district priorities.
- 4) Review and refine the Superintendent's evaluation instrument.

**District 97 Vision and Goals**

Create a positive learning environment for all District 97 students that is equitable, inclusive and focused on the whole child.

1. Align District 97 systems, structures and processes to reflect our stated value of educating the whole child (e.g., we act in ways that reflect our understanding of Supporting the successful development of each and every student).
2. Establish a comprehensive system of support for all District 97 staff.

By addressing these two "big rocks" or goals our school community will support the attainment of the following universal goals:

- Every community member feels like a partner in supporting our schools and each and every student
- Students and staff feel empowered, valued, and respected
- Every student is challenged and engaged
- All students have access to programs and supports to prepare them for success in high school
- We support every student to be a critical thinker, ready to contribute to their community
- Each student is known for who they are and their unique needs are met
- Students feel safe and a sense of belonging
- Caring adult-student relationships
- Students lead their own learning and become lifelong learners

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING - RETREAT**

**1. 6:00 PM - PUBLIC**

**1. 1. Public Comment**

**2. 6:10 PM - RETREAT**

2. 1. Review Survey results and discussion from "Eight Characteristics of Effective School Boards"
2. 2. On-boarding and induction of new School Board members and Board leadership transition

**3. 9:00 PM – ADJOURNMENT**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board will be on Tuesday, March 14, 2017 beginning at 7:00 p.m., at the Administration building located at 260 Madison Street, Oak Park.

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