

**Oak Park District 97
Facilities Advisory Committee (FAC)
2014-15 Annual Report**

MISSION OF COMMITTEE:

To provide on-going expert oversight and guidance to the Board and Administration regarding District facilities and infrastructure, the impact of the Strategic Plan, the District's master facilities plan, the District's 10-year Life Safety Survey Report, and proposed summer and related projects. Considerations include equity of investment among buildings, energy efficiency, environmental sustainability, and accessibility.

CHARGE TO COMMITTEE:

In October 2007, the District 97 Board of Education adopted a document that directed the FAC Committee to:

1. Examine the impact on facilities resulting directly and indirectly from the Strategic Plan.
2. Review the District's master facilities plan, including phasing of proposed multi-year improvements.
3. Review the District's 10-year Life Safety Survey Report, including proposed remediation to findings.
4. Review the District's proposed summer and related projects, including consideration within the plan of equity among buildings.
5. Investigate industry trends, best practices, environmental sustainability, and accessibility.
6. Provide guidance and recommendations to the Board for action on facilities issues as requested.
7. Report to the Board; provide an annual report summarizing the Facilities Committee's activities, noting any significant issues or trends over the preceding and succeeding fiscal years.

COMPOSITION:

The FAC Committee is comprised of two D97 board members, the D97 Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, D97 Director of Building and Grounds, and seven board-appointed community members with relevant expertise and knowledge.

D97 Board Members: James Gates, Denise Sacks

D97 Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations: Therese O'Neill

D97 Director of Buildings and Grounds: Norman Lane

Community Members: Dena Bell (Chair), Ralph Muehleisen, Jamil BouSaab, Dirk Danker, Paul May, Dane Rankin, George Beach.

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2014-2015 ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Review specific aspects of the Administration Building as requested by the board or D97 staff

Evaluate ADA accessibility upgrades and recommend implementation of specific improvements needed

Review and recommend VoIP system upgrades

Recommend efficiencies for grouping of summer work projects, specifically electrical systems, announcement systems and clocks

Ongoing review of O&M expenses and prioritization

RECAP OF BOARD AND FAC EFFORTS OVER LAST FOUR YEARS:

Capital Repairs Projects

Administrative Facility

Air Conditioning Studies

ADA Improvements

District Architect and Landscape Architect Selections

Playground Improvements

5/10 Year Capital Plan Review

FUTURE INITIATIVES:

Administrative Facility

- Be an asset to the board by providing thoughtful study and recommendation as the new building moves to the next stage

Refine plans for classroom air conditioning improvements

- Consider a phased implementation

ADA Improvements to Facilities

- Work with district to phase in ADA improvements as needed

Energy efficiency

- Work with board to find and follow best practices for implementing efficient building systems and policies