



Oak Park Elementary School District 97

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DISTRICT 97 BOARD MEMBER LIAISON REPORT

This report was created and submitted by board members who serve as liaisons to board committees, administrative committees or community organizations. It is a brief summary of the committee or organization's most recent meeting. It does not serve as or represent official minutes of that meeting.

Name of the committee/organization: COG (Council of Governments)

Date of the meeting: April 5, 2017 7:30-8:30 at OPRF HS

Names of the District 97 board liaisons: Jim Gates

Names of the District 97 administrative representatives (if applicable): None assigned

Brief summary/key outcomes of the meeting:

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Next steps:

- D97 Board elects new Board president to send to COG

Questions/feedback for the District 97 board:

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Dates of the next meetings:

- Wednesday, June 7, 2017 at 7:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, August 2, 2017 at 7:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, October 4, 2017 at 7:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, December 6, 2017 at 7:30 a.m.

Supplemental documentation (e.g., agenda, reports, etc.) from the meeting (attached):

- COG agenda (see page 2)
- Updates summaries (see page 2)

Report submitted by (include name and date): Jim Gates, April 10, 2017

COG (Council of Governments)

Wednesday, April 5, 2017

7:30 AM

OPRFHS Board Room 213

Agenda

1. Roundtable Updates *
2. Adjournment

Updates*

D200 - Jeff Weissglass and Dr. Pruitt

- Graduation is June 4, 2017
- Strategic plan is in final stages
- OPRF HS and PDOP are investigating the possibility of a shared pool
- IMAGINE OPRF study group has 60 applicants thus far

Library - Jim Madigan and Matt Baron

- Roll begins of new “no fines” policy for Oak Park residents- books not returned must be paid for
- 12% of the OPL budget must be spent on acquisitions (books, DVDs, etc.) Library purchases from vendors come at a 40% discount.

Township - David Boulanger and Gavin Morgan:

- 3 new board members and 2 with only 2 years’ experience
- Peace circles for youth conflict resolution are expanding
- Need for full client services are down from 87 to 62 as economy improves
- Township is not renewing its contract with PACE. Township will buy 2 buses and this will allow more flexibility of schedules and trips outside of Oak Park and River Forest as well as cost savings.

Park District: Jan Arnold and Paul Ascheleman:

- Tennis courts will be striped for pickle ball (fastest growing national sport)
- Renovation is underway at Euclid Park
- Plans are being developed to renovate 3 historic buildings: Cheney Mansion, Conservatory, and Pleasant Home

Village - Anan Abu-Taleb and Cara Pavletich

- Village is using an all new ERP (Electronic Resource Project) that includes an electronic billing system
- Contract negotiations are coming up with Fire and Police Departments and SEIU

D97 - Jim Gates:

- New Board member onboarding is moving forward
- New Board will be seated on 4/26/17
- D97 is reviewing process to keep community aware of Bond and Operating Referenda fund usage