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**District 97 board member Liaison Report**

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

**Date of the meeting:** 12/7/ 2016 7:30-8:45 AM

**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:**

* Update from each governmental unit provides D97 snapshot of actions/activities of fellow intergovernmental units
* COG was made aware of IGOV Candidates’ Forum and indicated support for the concept
* Comments about both the benefits of economic development and the impact on community services offered by all governmental units

Next steps:

* Discussion related to format for addressing both economic develop and impact on community services and how to communicate to the public that long range planning related to economic development and services is on-going.

Questions/feedback for the District 97 board:

* Does D97 have suggestions for a mechanism / approach to be used by the 6 intergovernmental units to dialogue on how economic development, while benefitting the tax base, impacts D97 specifically and fellow intergovernmental units in general

**Date of the next meeting (and all of 2016):**

* 2017 COG dates to be sent out before winter recess

**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 7, 2016

**Village of Oak Park**

**Meeting Agenda**

**COG (Council of Governments)**

**Wednesday, December 7, 2016 7:30 AM OPRFHS Board Room 213**

**Agenda**

1. Roundtable Updates
2. Adjournment

**Updates**

**D200 - Jeff Weissglass and Dr. Pruitt**

* Final vote on D200 referendum showed a difference of 28 votes
* Winter break coming and prep for semester finals
* Glitches with 8th grade placement test due to vendor choosing to do site clean-up at time of placement
* OPRF HS Climate and Culture Committee reported to APPLE last night
* Off campus student misconduct incident is moving to closure on-going intensive in-house work with staff and students to raise student consciousness regarding a host of issues relating to student safety and decision making

**Library –David Seleb:**

* Adopted budget at November meeting
* Next trustee meeting will be in January
* 4 seats open: 2 incumbents will run again (Matt Fruth Bruce Samuels) and 2 will not (Matt Baron and Win Fox)
* End of fine policy for Oak Park residents checking out Oak Park Library materials
* Staff training for Intellectual Freedom by Illinois Library Association

**Township - David Boulanger and Gavin Morgan**:

* Youth Services trying to fill 2 interventionists
* Peace Circle program training 5th grade *Cargo Circles* (unpack and share your gifts and your voice)
* 75-80 daily attendance at senior lunch program and Township is looking to hire someone to coordinate after lunch programming / activities for seniors

**Park District: Jan Arnold and Paul Aeschliman:**

* Finishing up Maple Park renovations
* PDOP is seeking a change in Village ordinance to allow Forest Park residents to use Oak Park dog parks
* Seeking liquor license to allow wine and beer an hour before and after performances in Scoville Park

**Village – Anan Abu-Taleb, Cara Pavletich, Bob Tucker**

* Board adopted budget
* Flexible Format Target with 22,000 square feet. Economics of Oak Park have changed dramatically. Six years ago Target wanted several million dollars in concessions move to Oak Park and now they only requested quick identification of their address and prompt action on permitting for the construction of the store.

**D97 – Chris Jasculca for Dr. Carol Kelly**:

* Update on D97 referendum planning
* 20 Public Comments on Equity related issues at 12/6/16 Board meeting

**D97 – Jim Gates**:

* Special Board meeting on December 19 with a focus on the size and type or referenda (operating fund and Cap Ex). 4 person D97 Referendum work team members: Bob Spatz, Graham, Dr. Evans, Saad Bawany
* Board will act on CCE, D97’s 4th standing committee, at 12/20 Board meeting
* D97 Board joined the Village and Library approved IGOV’s concept for a Candidates’ Workshop on January 21 or 28.
* IGOV requested that Dr. Evans work with her fellow CFOs to discuss the details related to the IGOV finances.