



IUSD Board Briefs

Highlights from the Board of Education's special meeting on June 18

Board members discuss future residential development around the Great Park

The Irvine Unified School District's Board of Education expressed concerns about the Lennar Corporation's commitment to providing the resources for an Irvine-quality school that would serve future residential developments around the Great Park.

Fredric Woocher, an attorney representing IUSD, said the district has been in negotiations for about a year and a half with Lennar, and Board members discussed the fact that Lennar has used Irvine's high-quality schools as a selling point for its housing development plans in Heritage Fields. Nevertheless, Woocher said negotiations have yielded little progress to date, and Lennar had yet to respond to a recent district proposal for land and construction costs.

Irvine's master-planned communities have historically resulted in nationally recognized schools, and Board of Education members stressed their responsibility to ensure educational equity for all of the district's students.

Board members and Mr. Woocher also urged city leaders to play a bigger role in ensuring that an Irvine-quality school is included in development plans for the Great Park.

Coming Up:

Regular Meetings:

Tuesday, June 26, 2007 in the Board Room

Tuesday, July 17, 2007 in the Board Room

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