



# Board Briefs

Highlights from this week's Board of Education meeting

## Board recognizes Woodbridge High girls' basketball team

Board members and staff paid tribute to the Woodbridge High School girls' basketball team, which captured a CIF title this month by knocking off powerhouse Marlborough High School.

Coach Eric Bangs introduced the Woodbridge High players, who were presented with special certificates honoring their achievement.

The Warriors completed the season with a record of 28-4, earning their program its sixth CIF title and its first since 1996.



Flanked by their coaches, players from the Woodbridge High School girls' basketball team are recognized by the Board of Education after winning a CIF title earlier this month.

## Board certifies Second Interim Report of 2008-09

The Board voted to certify IUSD's Second Interim Report of 2008-09 as "positive," meaning the district is projected to meet all financial obligations through 2010-11.

The Orange County Superintendent of Schools' Office requires each district to examine and certify its financial condition as "positive," "qualified" or "negative" twice during each fiscal year. A qualified certification indicates that a district *may not* be able to meet its financial obligations for the current year and the next two subsequent years; a negative certification indicates that a district *will not* be able to meet its financial obligations over this period.

While IUSD anticipates a positive balance through 2009-10, the district is projected to face a shortfall of approximately \$9 million in 2010-11 without corrective action. By certifying the Second Interim Report as positive, it is assumed that IUSD will make the necessary adjustments to bridge its budgetary gap.

IUSD's first interim report, approved in November, was also positive. It reflected the district's financial health as of Oct. 31. The second interim report indicates the district's health as of Jan. 31 and must be submitted to the Orange County Department of Education this month.

## Board approves secondary course of study for 2009-10

Meeting an annual requirement of the California Education Code, the Board of Education approved the 2009-10 curriculum for secondary schools. The Course of Study Report, which is available online, contains a listing of course titles for each school by curricular area, along with codes to indicate new and deleted courses.

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## More highlights from IUSD's March 17 Board of Education meeting:

### **Board votes to initiate bargaining process with CSEA**

Following a public hearing, Board members voted to adopt a joint proposal between IUSD and the California School Employees Association (CSEA), Chapter 517, to initiate the bargaining process. The action allows the district and its classified employees to address issues related to compensation, health and welfare benefits, retirement and the procedure for layoffs.

### **Board approves facilities analysis and establishes alternative fees**

Board members approved a School Facilities Needs Analysis and adopted alternative fees on new residential and commercial construction within the district, excluding areas already covered by Community Facilities Districts. Level 2 fees, set at \$5.32 per square foot, are now in effect per the state's facilities program guidelines. Level 3 fees, set at \$10.64 per square foot, cannot be imposed unless it is determined by the Board that the state's school building funds for new facilities have been exhausted.

### **Board members approve district expulsion plan**

The Board voted to approve an expulsion plan in compliance with the Orange County Department of Education.

In 1997, the county Board approved an expulsion plan developed in conjunction with Orange County's 28 school districts. Each district's governing board was then required to adopt its own version. The State Education Code mandates that updated versions of these plans be submitted to the state superintendent of public instruction every three years.

IUSD's review process, which began in September 2008, included a series of district focus groups that studied current procedures and addressed potential gaps in services.

### **Coming Up...**

*Budget Study Session:* 4 to 6 p.m. on Wednesday, March 18, 2009 (Board Room)  
*Community Forum:* 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 18, 2009 (Board Room)

*Regular Meetings:* 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 7, 2009 (Board Room)  
7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 5, 2009 (Board Room)

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