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Tustin school board names two new schools

Legacy, Liberty and Heritage were name suggestions among the board.

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The Tustin Unified School District board took little time Monday to name the new K-8 school at Orchard Hills, but the school at the former Tustin Air Station stirred up a bit more discussion.

Four names bounced around for the K-5 school at the base. School board member Lynn Davis made a motion for "Legacy" for the school at the base, but board member Jonathan Abelow had other suggestions.

"I really like the patriotic aspect of either Liberty or Heritage," Abelow said.

"I like Willow Park," board president Tammie Bullard chimed in. "It sounds peaceful, it sounds serene, it sounds pretty."

Davis and Francine Scinto both supported Heritage Elementary School — a choice that the board unanimously approved after making sure that there was no nearby school with the same name.

The school will be at Red Hill Avenue and Edinger Avenue. Construction has not started and no opening date has been set.

The K-8 school in the Orchard Hills area will be Orchard Hills School. The 15-acre school, which broke grounds last month near Culver Drive and Portola Parkway in Irvine, will accommodate about 1,200 students. It's scheduled to open in September, 2009.

Construction plans include a multipurpose room, media center, cafeteria, basketball courts, a track, baseball field, soccer field and gymnasium. The cost of the project is



about \$52 to \$55 million. The school was designed by MVE Institutional and will be built by Douglas E. Barnhart, Inc.

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