

**UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 223  
BARNES-HANOVER-LINN**

Regular Board Meeting, November 9, 2009 7:00 P.M.  
District Office, Barnes, Kansas

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**PRESENT:** Sara Beikman  
Daryl Bott  
Joel Hynek  
Jim Kruse  
Larry Nicholson  
Steve Ohlde  
Marge Schlabach

**ADMINISTRATION:** Rick Simoncic, Superintendent, Mike Savage, Linn Principal, Valeria Converse, Hanover Principal, Larry Wurtz, Transportation, Maintenance and Food Service Director  
**CLERK:** Becky Bruna, Clerk  
**STAFF:** Carol Hergott, Sharon Nicholson  
**PATRONS:** Steve Joonas, Donna Kruse

**The following motions were made seconded and approved:\***

The meeting was called to order by President, Marge Schlabach with the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call conducted.

\*To approve the agenda as amended.

\*To approve the October 13<sup>th</sup> minutes and the payment of bills and financial reports.

\*To accept a grant for the Hanover Playground in the amount of \$444.00.

The Board recognized Carol Hergott at the Linn Public School and Sharon Nicholson at the Hanover Public School with certificates and pins for their 10 years of dedication to USD 223.

Steve Joonas and Donna Kruse informed the board of the progress so far from the golf program and would like board input on how to proceed for the 2010-11 school year. The golf program presented the board with a check for \$7000.00 to cover expenses for the 2009-10 school year.

\*To accept a grant for the High School Golf Program in the amount \$7000.00.

\*To approve the resolution to authorize an annual tax levy for a period not to exceed 5 years in an amount not to exceed 4 mills, upon the assessed taxable tangible property in the district for the purpose of acquisition, construction, reconstruction, repair, remodeling, addition to, furnishing and equipping of building necessary for the school district purposes.

The board discussed the Linn Junior High Football program for the 2010-11 school year. It was the consensus of the board to use KSHSAA rule 29 section 3 article 2 stating; Seventh and eighth grades of two-year middle/junior high schools may be combined with ninth grade students from

senior high schools for interschool football with the consent of the Executive Board, provided both schools are under the same board of education or school board.

Larry Wurtz reported on maintenance, transportation and food service at each building. Assemblies were held at each school on October 21<sup>st</sup> for Bus Drivers Appreciation. A special thanks for their years of dedication to the district.

Val Converse reported on activities at the Hanover School.

Mike Savage reported on activities at the Linn School.

Mr. Simoncic informed the board that Linn Elementary and Linn High School and Hanover High School received the prestigious Governor's Achievement Award. Only 41 elementary schools, 12 middle/junior high schools and 17 high schools qualified for the award. The superintendent presented the Jerry Moran speech on Capitol Hill about Hanover Schools being dedicated to excellence. Mr. Simoncic gave an update on possible further cuts to education due to a short fall in state revenue and encouraged board members to contact legislators.

The board discussed maintenance concerns at the Hanover Schools and when the last time the district had an energy audit completed was in 2002.

\*To hold Executive Session for Non-Elected Personnel.

\*To hold Executive Session for Superintendent Evaluation.

\*To approve Donald Lehman and Gary Ouellette for Assistant High School Boys Basketball Coaches at Linn Public School for the 2009-10 school year.

\*To adjourn the meeting.