

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

Regular Board Meeting, December 8, 2008 7:00 P.M.  
District Office, Barnes, Kansas

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**PRESENT:**               **Bruce Meyer**  
                              **Todd Frye**  
                              **Bryce Heck**  
                              **Joel Hynek**  
                              **Jim Kruse**  
                              **Larry Nicholson**  
                              **Marge Schlabach**

**ADMINISTRATION:**   **Steve Joonas, Mike Savage, Valeria Converse, Larry Wurtz**

**CLERK:**               **Cindy Hiesterman, Clerk , Becky Bruna, Deputy Clerk**

**STAFF:** **Richard Turner, Randy Walling, Kim Lohse**

**PATRONS:**       **Cindi Ohlde, Lee Singular, Dee Dee Singular**

**OTHERS:** **Rex Woods, Auditor, Donna Kruse, Press**

The meeting was called to order and roll call conducted by President, Bruce Meyer.

The following motions were made seconded and approved:

\*To adopt the agenda as amended.

\*To approve the Consent Agenda as presented, with the addition of 8<sup>th</sup> Grade English Essay Grant at Hanover.

Richard Turner, Social Studies Instructor at the Linn Attendance Center described his responsibilities and application of resources to achieve covering the curriculum and all the tested indicators. Mr. Turner also serves as the Linn Girls HS BB Coach and Golf Coach.

Randy Walling, PE Instructor for K-12 at Linn, and Kim Lohse, PE Instructor at Hanover for grades K-12 presented their curriculum and responsibilities to the Board.

Cindi Ohlde and Dee Dee Singular addressed the Board concerning moving the High School Graduation date at Linn to a Saturday for 2010. The Board consensus was to consult with Site Council members for input on the request.

Superintendent Joonas reported to the Board concerning issues with the TLEC Speech and Language Pathology department and progress being made with certification of teachers in the SLP area.

Rex Woods, CPA presented his report on his audit of the financial records of USD 223 ending June 30, 2008. Mr. Woods urged the Board to focus on retaining curriculum & educational programs and avoid excess spending.

\*To approve the Report on Audit of Special Financial Statement for June 30, 2008 as presented.

\*To approve a contract with Mr. Woods for the 2009 year.

Larry Wurtz reported to the board concerning transportation and food service. The reduction in fuel cost has significantly helped the budget for transportation. Mr. Wurtz informed the Board that the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade English Grant at Hanover would be used to install a new water cooler in the Hanover Gym.

The cooks at both schools invite the Board to attend the Christmas meal on December 19<sup>th</sup> at each school.

Mike Savage reported on activities at the Linn Center. The school is approaching the end of the first semester.

Val Converse, principal at Hanover, reported to the Board on activities at the Hanover Center. Mrs. Converse shared the draft of the "Distinguished Service Program" at Hanover.

\*To approve Karen Meyer, Lori Beikmann, and Kim Lohse for Hanover Site Council.

Mr. Joonas informed the board of the purchase and installation of two ADA door openers. These will be placed on the exit door out of the old gym at Linn, and on the door into the cafeteria at Hanover to help improve handicap accessibility.

It was the consensus of the board to move the start time for the January 12<sup>th</sup> Board meeting to 7:30pm to accommodate conflicts.

\*To hold Executive Session for Non-Elected Personnel

\*To hold Executive Session for Negotiations.

\*To hold Executive Session for Superintendent Evaluation.

\*To approve Lynn Turner as a part-time Migrant Aide at the Greenleaf Center for the 2008-09 year.

The board continued discussion on the proposed changes in the board boundaries.

After discussion on the Board District Boundary Reapportionment it was decided to have tables of information available at Basketball games. There will also be an informational meeting at Linn in the Library and at Hanover in the Cafeteria on Wednesday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. This will be an opportunity for questions and answers regarding the proposed changes. All patrons are welcome to attend.

The Board reviewed the submitted bids for specifications on the electrical upgrade required to continue with the A/C projects at both buildings. Bids were received from Latimer Sommers & Associates, Insite Group, Inc. and Orazem & Scalora Engineering.

\*To approve the low bid from Latimer Sommers & Associates.

\*To approve Karma Hageman as HS VB and Diane Friedrichs as Assistant HS VB, Lyle Thompson as JH VB, Randy Walling as JH FB and Trenton Horn as Assistant JH FB at Linn Attendance Center. Matt Heuer as HS Football and Michelle Walling as JH VB at the Hanover Center for the 2009-2010 school year.

\*To approve Steve Joonas as part-time Assistant HS BB in Linn at a set salary of \$500 for the 2009-2010 school year.

\*To adjourn the meeting.

**Cindy Hiesterman, Clerk**