

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

Regular Board Meeting, October 13, 2008 7:30 P.M.
Linn Attendance Center, Linn, Kansas

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PRESENT: **Bruce Meyer, President**
 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: **Debra Bisnette, Marcy Oehmke, Vicki Kyner, Anita Bott**

PATRONS: **Janet Fritschi, Donna Kruse**

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.

Janet Fritschi , manager of Sunflower U.P. Federal Credit Union presented the Sunflower Save@School program, designed to help students acquire positive financial habits by opening savings accounts and making frequent deposits.

*To approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

FACS Instructor, Vicki Kyner, from the Hanover Attendance Center introduced herself to the board. Vicki described her program and Family Consumer Science courses at Hanover. Marcy Oehmke, FACS Instructor at Linn and ESL Teacher described her programs. Anita Bott, district school nurse described her job and presented the board with her instructional materials that she uses for hygiene in grades 4-9.

Debra Bisnette presented a powerpoint showing the assessment data from last spring's testing in Math, Reading, History and Science. Standard of Excellence was achieved this year in Hanover for K-8 Math, K-8 Reading, 9-12 Math and 9-12 Reading. Standard of Excellence was achieved at the Linn Center in K-8 Math, K-8 Reading, K-8 History, 9-12 Math, 9-12 Reading, and 9-12 Science. Mrs. Bisnette commended the staff and students on the extraordinary scores.

Board member, Marge Schlabach was honored by the board for receiving an award from KASB on achieving Level I of KASB Boardmanship Academy. The award is earned for attending continuing education courses from KASB and the National School Board Association.

The Board discussed the Goals for the District set for 2008-09.

They are as follows:

1. Attain the highest level of achievement possible for all students in academics, activities, and athletics.
2. Provide a safe and secure learning environment for everyone.
3. Enhance and maintain facilities, services, and technology that foster outstanding education.
4. Recruit and retain excellent staff by emphasizing professional development and striving to improve compensation.
5. Open and maintain active two way communication with the community, staff, students and governmental agencies.

*To approve the District Goals as presented for 2008-09.

Superintendent Joonas presented the summary of the September 22nd Enrollment figures for the district.

The Board continued discussion on Out of District Drivers Ed Students.

*To approve Out of District Student participation in the District Drivers Education program with the same fees being charged for students in district.

Larry Wurtz reported to the board concerning transportation and food service. The Board discussed the large amount of truck traffic in front of the Hanover school and concerns of safety. Mr. Wurtz also reported on the visit from the fire marshall and changes that were made over the summer for compliance.

Val Converse, principal at Hanover, reported to the Board on activities at the Hanover Center. Mrs. Converse reported on plans for Hanover to host the KASB Regional Meeting.

Mike Savage reported on activities at the Linn Center. Randy Nadler will be visiting both schools in October. Mr. Savage also reported changes in KSHSAA Rules regarding coaches contact with athletes during the summer.

*To approve Linn Play Practices to be held on Wednesday nights as a part of their practice schedule.

Mr. Joonas presented administrative recommendations for "Current Requirements/Guidelines for Mentors/Aide."

Superintendent Joonas also described the new migrant program and meetings that are taking place weekly with families designed to help improve language content acquisition.

The Board continued their discussion on the Board member district boundaries.

*To approve the School Improvement Plans for Linn and Hanover schools for 2008-09 as presented.

*To approve the Site Council members for Linn and Hanover schools for 2008-09 as presented.

*To approve Haley Ordoyne as HS Girls Basketball Assistant at the Linn Center for the 2008-09 year.

*To adjourn the meeting.

Cindy Hiesterman, Clerk