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September 27, 2012

**Russell Independent SCHOOL DISTRICT
DISTRICT FACILITIES PLAN HEARING REPORT***

A public hearing was held at the Russell Independent Middle on September 24, 2012, at 6:30 (local time). The purpose of the public hearing was to propose a new District Facility Plan developed by the Russell Independent Local Planning Committee. The Local Planning Committee (LPC) voted 11 in favor (8 absent) of the proposed new plan and the Board voted 5 in favor to approve the new plan.

There was/were 8 district employees and three board members in attendance. Larry Woods, KSBA Consultant, served as the locally-appointed hearing officer. There were no community members and no media present..

COMMENTS

Larry Woods called the public hearing to order. The hearing officer outlined the purpose of the hearing and the hearing procedures in accordance with 702 KAR 1:001. It was explained that those persons wishing to speak would be given the opportunity and that written statements would be accepted. All considerations will be made available to the Kentucky Board of Education via the hearing officer's report. The hearing officer read the proposed new District Facility Plan which includes;

- A. No projects proposed in 2012-2014 Biennium
- B. Proposed projects in 2014-2016:
 - 2b. New High School (10-12)
 - Renovations at:
 - 1. Existing Russell High School to become 6-9 Middle School.
 - 2. Existing Russell Middle School to become 4-5 Intermediate School
 - 3. Existing Russell-McDowell Intermediate to become Central Office, Alternate School, and Early Childhood Center
 - 2c. Major
 - 4. Russell Area Technology Center

Capital Construction Projects:

- 1. Central Bus Garage
- 2. Central Office on 2nd Floor of Russell McDowell

Discretionary Projects

- 1. Remedial repairs at Russell Primary
- 2. Site Improvements at Russell-McDowell Intermediate
- 3. District White Board Initiatives

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The floor was opened to those who wished to make a statement. There were no statements.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the new District Facility Plan developed by the Russell Independent Local Planning Committee and adopted by the Russell Independent Board of Education be approved as the District Facility Plan for the Russell Independent School District. A copy of the new plan is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Woods, KSBA Consultant

cc: Tim Lucas, Manager
Public Hearing Agenda
Planning File

Attachments: Russell Independent School District Facility Plan

*This document is presented to KDE as submitted by the district-appointed hearing officer.