

MARCH 7TH, 2013

**BELL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
DISTRICT FACILITIES PLAN HEARING REPORT***

A public hearing was held at the Bell County Board of Education on March 7th, 2013, at 6:30pm (local time). The purpose of the public hearing was to propose a new District Facility Plan developed by the Bell County Local Planning Committee. The Local Planning Committee (LPC) voted **14 - 0** in favor of the proposed new plan and the Board voted **4-0** to approve the new plan.

There was no one from the public in attendance. Mrs. Yvonne Gilliam, Superintendent and Tom Gambrel, Director of Facilities and LPC Chair were in attendance in case there were any questions to be answered. Chris Warren, DPP, Bell County Schools, served as the locally-appointed hearing officer. The Public Hearing Sign-In Sheet is attached, indicating participants that were present.

COMMENTS

Chris Warren, hearing officer, called the public hearing to order. Mr. Warren was prepared to outline the purpose of the hearing and the hearing procedures in accordance with 702 KAR 1:001. Since no one was present, there was no need to explain that those persons wishing to speak would be given the opportunity and that written statements would be accepted and that all considerations will be made available to the Kentucky Board of Education via the hearing officer's report. The hearing officer did not have to read the proposed new District Facility Plan which includes; major renovations at Bell County High School, Bell Central Elementary to include HVAC systems, athletic facility improvements at BCHS and Bell Central, renovations and the addition of six classrooms at Yellow Creek Elementary, Safety and Security upgrades at each school site in the district, including secure entry vestibules at BCHS and Bell Central due to the fact that the only two people in attendance were part of the DFP process.

Mr. Warren waited until 7:10 pm to allow for anyone that may have been running late due to some unforeseen circumstance. At that time he dismissed the meeting.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Warren, DPP
Bell County Schools

cc: Tim Lucas, Manager
Public Hearing Agenda
Planning File

Attachments: **Bell County** School District Facility Plan

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