

April 22, 2013

**WOODFORD CO. SCHOOL DISTRICT
DISTRICT FACILITIES PLAN HEARING REPORT***

A public hearing was held at the Huntertown Elementary School on April 22, 2013, at 6:45 PM (local time). The purpose of the public hearing was to propose a new District Facility Plan developed by the Woodford Co. Public Schools Local Planning Committee. The Local Planning Committee (LPC) voted 15-0 in favor of the proposed new plan and the Board voted 4-0 to approve the new plan.

There were (26) individual(s) in attendance. Amy M. Smith, Chief Operating Officer, served as the locally-appointed hearing officer. Scott Hawkins, Superintendent; board members Debby Edelen, Sherry Springate, Ambrose Wilson, and Margie Cleveland; Mike Stacy, District Chief Academic Officer; Greg French, District Chief Information Officers; Michelle Cassady, District Director of Instruction; Teresa Wasson, District Special Ed Director, Garet Wells, District Director of Human Resources; Mark Lancaster, Transportation Director were present.

COMMENTS

Ambrose Wilson 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: long term goals for a new high school followed by major renovations at old high school to repurpose for Central Office and Administrative Center, Transportation Center, Central Storage, Alternative Ed Center, and Community Ed Center; system renovations to Northside and Southside; district wide security system; new preschool playground; intelligent classroom installations; renovations to the Preschool building to accommodate Safe Harbor students; WCHS awnings, WCMS athletic bathroom/concession building; paving a road between Huntertown and Southside to add a second egress; and construct a WCHS auditorium.

The floor was opened to those who wished to make a statement.

Hearing opened by Ambrose Wilson IV, Chair of the Woodford County Board of Education and then turned over to Amy Smith. Plan made available to the public. Sign in sheet and anyone here for hearing to sign the sheet. Comments are recorded and will be submitted to KDE with our approved District Facility Plan. For review, the plan involves long term goals for a new high school, then major renovation to old high school to be used for several programs including central office, transportation dept, etc; system renovations at Northside and Southside; includes district wide security system; new preschool playground; classroom installations of voice amplification systems; current preschool building to accommodate safe harbor students; awnings around bus loops; athletic/bathrooms/concessions at WCMS; paving between Huntertown and Southside; construction of auditorium at the high school. At this time open up for the public to speak. If you have something in writing to present I can read that. If at the podium state your name.

Ms. Yearsley, parent. Asked you not to approve facility plan and you have. You have made no consideration to the outcome of the preschool center. Extremely disappointed.

Dena Summer, 2 children at early childhood center. My concern is not for my children they will be ok regardless; however, I have seen children make tremendous strides. My son has special needs. If not been for early childhood center would not have done as well. So many things logistically you have not looked at and work in school with teachers. Like to see you spend time in the classroom. Making this decision based on financial papers. Spend one day working with teachers, they have done tremendous things. Agree with safe harbor. If you have a plan you should have it all laid out in paper. Don't just say you have it all worked out. How it will flow? Don't say how it will work on what I see and hear. If you have a plan in writing I think we deserve a copy of that. Needs to be done by the end of the year. Things we know that needs to be worked out before next year. In Louisville shifted from one area to another and did not have it worked out. If you jump the gun you will cause chaos at the early childhood center but also at the individual schools. Hope you will give us another year to work out the kinks instead of jumping in. Due it to us that it will affect, owe it to us to give us that plan.

Margie Evans, concerned citizen. Distressed with the way this school board and previous board have callously abandoned buildings. It is a matter of being deprived of caring for small town. Embarrassed with the old middle school that is falling down and was abandoned. It could have been repaired and saved if it had been maintained throughout the years. Items were not taken care of on the buildings including down spouts. Became a haven for drug activity, in middle of historic area. I would be embarrassed if on the board to see it on the abandoned property list. Now I look at what you want to do with the old community education building. See the same thing happening. Another historic district in the middle of town. It will deteriorate. I thought it was interesting parents/teachers were told when the middle school still in session on Maple street that the mold problem wasn't a huge issue. Middle school moved on to new building, Simmons moved in except for basement due to mold issue. I don't know what the answer is but I am, you are not a taxable entity in this community. My suggestion is going to be to the city council that non taxable entities be in a different category for blighted and abandoned buildings and be on a fine basis instead of a taxable basis. Don't see how you can take buildings that mean something in the community/neighborhood and say we don't care, goodbye, it is over. I know people who would have given anything to have had the curtains in the middle school auditorium and were not for sale. I had a builder who wanted the flooring and wasn't for sale. None of that was saved, all of it is gone. It will go with the wrecking ball. What it does to that neighborhood and whatever happens at the corner of main and macey what I can see is a disservice to the community.

Charles Carroll: totally disappointed in how you are handling this, getting rid of buildings, efficient to be used. That building on macey is perfectly capable of being remodeled and restored. Lady went over entire list of properties and that money could have been used on that facility. Granddaughter, Lisa Yearsley made strides. Keep under the table under the public eyes. Don't know how many kids/grandkids you have but you are throwing a lot of down the drain. Going to be an eyesore to the public. Pishah sat a long time before corporation bought it and fixed it, can do some work on hvac, wiring. I think you have let public down.

Dena Summer: Lisa's daughter this girl cannot talk. When started only spoke 4 words, now does more, could not do without the program. Teachers found out on spring break they would be moved, we found out the Monday after spring break. What kind of planning is that, you are

displacing so many people. Mr. Hawkins when can I expect something in writing so we can tell you when something.

Lisa Yearsley, parent: transparent, new catch phrase. Wasn't introduced to entire committee. Not transparent the week before spring break say we are going to move 100 of you around the district. Formality we have to let you know, have a public hearing, have a public hearing after we have made a decision. If you wanted our input you would have asked for it before it was approved. It was not transparent. I had to search to find the plan. You as a board disappoint me tremendously.

Letter from Cain and Nicole Ishmal read by Amy Smith: we have had very positive experiences at the Early Childhood Center, support for the staff and the kids they support. So many challenges they work with, 20+ kids with learning issues 3 and up. Receive students throughout the year at different levels. Prepare kids for kindergarten. Discussion in community that moving to other buildings may have issue with extended program due to space issues. Parents may have to look to other programs. We have encouraged parents to keep kids in public school instead of private for fear that they parents will keep their kids in private school and school funding will be lost. Concerned that kids would be moved to Simmons and that there is not enough space. Safe Harbor important but need to provide support for early childhood. Move cautiously, fear consequences that have not been discovered.

Sharon Carroll – ask some questions financials. Taking a facility maybe 10 years old and renovate for older children. Remodel other elementaries for smaller children. Has the thought of portables been thought of for safe harbor for a year and more time to adjust for this program. Throwing money away. Remodel something here and there when you don't have to remodel the early childhood center. Think you are rushing into a move.

Mr. Carroll – you laid head down on table and not paying attention.

Dena - would have liked to bring in all the kids. Give it a year. What is point of public hearing unless you have to. We are very frustrated. We are a family at the early childhood center.

Lisa yearsley – do this every day, don't know why we wasted time on public hearing.

Margie: recording will go to KDE with the plan. Amy: the meeting minutes will go to KDE.

Lisa Yearsley: is there a place to easy access, that's all right, go ahead with the meeting.

Amy: thank you for attending and voicing the concerns and you have heard.

Motion to adjourn: Ms. Cleveland, Ms. Edelen, all in favor approved.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

Respectfully submitted,



Amy M. Smith, Hearing Officer

cc: Tim Lucas, Manager
Public Hearing Agenda
Planning File

Attachments: **Woodford Co Public** School District Facility Plan

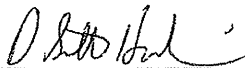
*This document is presented to KDE as submitted by the district-appointed hearing officer.

April 24, 2013

The following agenda item was approved as part of motion XI J by the Woodford County Board of Education at the April 22, 2013 Regular Board Meeting on a motion made by Ms. Cleveland, a second made by Ms. Edelen and all members present voting yes, the Board approved:

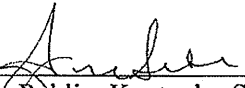
Public Hearing Report

I certify that the above action was taken by the Woodford County Board of Education at the April 22, 2013 Meeting.



Mr. D. Scott Hawkins, Secretary
Woodford County Board of Education

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24 day of April, 2013



Notary Public, Kentucky State at large

My commission expires 1-13-15.

WOODFORD COUNTY SCHOOLS DISTRICT FACILITIES PLAN

PLAN OF SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

1. Current Plan P-5, 6-8, 9-12
2. Long Range Plan P-5, 6-8, 9-12

SCHOOL CENTERS	Status	Organization	2012 Student Enrollment Capacity
1. Secondary			
a. Woodford High School	Permanent	9-12 Center	1199/1309
		to become a permanent Central Office, Transportation Center, Central Storage, Preschool, Alternate Education Center and Career and Technical Education Center	
2. Middle			
a. Woodford County Middle School	Permanent	6-8 Center	903/900
3. Elementary			
a. Huntertown Elementary School	Permanent	PS-5 Center	493/571
b. Northside Elementary School	Permanent	PS-5 Center	322/550
c. Simmons Elementary School	Permanent	PS-5 Center	416/463
d. Southside Elementary School	Permanent	PS-5 Center	527/800
e. Woodford County Preschool	Permanent	PS Center	n/a/80

CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION PRIORITIES (Schedule after the 2014 Biennium)

- 2a. New construction** to meet student capacity; further implementation of established programs; or complete approved projects constructed in phases.

Eff. % Cost Est.

1. New High School 186,287 sf.
1,400 Student capacity on a new site purchased in June 2012 \$43,833,331

- 2c. Major renovation/additions of educational facilities;** including expansions, kitchens, cafeterias, libraries, administrative areas, auditoriums, and gymnasiums.

Eff. % Cost Est.

1. Woodford County High School 154,560 sf.
Major Renovation to include; roof replacement, HVAC replacement, ADA upgrades, life safety upgrades and retrofit the facility to include the following facilities; Central Office and Administration Center (30,000 sf.), Transportation Center (12,000 sf.), Central Storage (10,000 sf.), Preschool Center (33,000 sf.), Alternative Education Center (30,000 sf.), and Community Education Center (15,000 sf.) \$6,500,000
2. Northside Elementary 56,020 sf.
Major Renovation to include; roof replacement, HVAC replacement, life safety upgrades and ADA accessibility renovations. \$7,638,327
3. Southside Elementary 67,130 sf.
Major Renovation to include; roof replacement, HVAC replacement, life safety upgrades and ADA accessibility renovations. \$9,153,176

2e. Renovation to upgrade all existing facilities to meet the most current life safety requirements of the Kentucky

Building Code.

Eff. %

Cost Est.

1. District wide security

Major renovations to include security system upgrades at; Woodford Co. High, Woodford Co. Middle, Huntertown Elem., Northside Elem., Simmons Elem., Southside Elem., Woodford Co. Preschool and the Central Office.

\$180,000

DISTRICT NEED**\$67,304,834****5. Discretionary Construction Projects;** Functional Centers; Improvements by new construction or renovation.

Estimated Costs of these projects will not be included in the FACILITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT TOTAL.

1. Preschool playground

1,500 sf.

\$50,000

2. District Intelligent Classroom Initiative

Provide voice amp systems in all classrooms starting with specialty rooms art, music, and P.E.

Construct: Amplification Systems - 300 rooms

\$1,000 per clrm.

\$300,000

3. Woodford Co. Preschool

6,335 sf.

Renovation to repurpose the Woodford Co. Preschool building for older students, including modifying the kitchen and bathrooms. This would accommodate Safe Harbor Students until the new high school is built and they are moved to the old high school.

\$50,000

4. Woodford High School

154,560 sf.

Minor Renovation to add awing's to cover sidewalks at the bus loop.

\$100,000

5. Woodford High School

154,560 sf.

Minor Renovation to remove top rows of bleachers on lower level banks on side.

\$20,000

6. Woodford County Middle School

127,625 sf.

Construct: 1 Athletic bathroom/concession building

\$400,000

7. Southside Elementary

67,130 sf.

Minor Renovation to include; paving road connection to Huntertown Elementary to provide a secondary emergency egress from both schools.

\$432,540

8. Woodford High School

154,560 sf.

Construct: 1 auditorium

5,500 sf.

5,500 sf.

68%

\$1,903,162

December 7, 2012

Woodford County Enrollment History

EOY	District Enrollment	Annual % Change	Three Year Change	Five Year Change	Ten Year Change	Enrollment Change Per Year
1989-1990	3,592					
1990-1991	3,671	2.20%				79
1991-1992	3,758	2.37%				87
1992-1993	3,736	-0.59%	4.01%			-22
1993-1994	3,882	3.91%	5.75%			146
1994-1995	3,845	-0.95%	2.32%	7.04%		-37
1995-1996	3,961	3.02%	6.02%	7.90%		116
1996-1997	3,903	-1.46%	0.54%	3.86%		-58
1997-1998	3,893	-0.26%	1.25%	4.20%		-10
1998-1999	3,986	2.39%	0.63%	2.68%		93
1999-2000	3,953	-0.83%	1.28%	2.81%	10.05%	-33
2000-2001	3,928	-0.63%	0.90%	-0.83%	7.00%	-25
2001-2002	3,879	-1.25%	-2.68%	-0.61%	3.22%	-49
2002-2003	3,829	-1.29%	-3.14%	-1.64%	2.49%	-50
2003-2004	3,821	-0.21%	-2.72%	-4.14%	-1.57%	-8
2004-2005	3,849	0.73%	-0.77%	-2.63%	0.10%	28
2005-2006	3,957	2.81%	3.34%	0.74%	-0.10%	108
2006-2007	3,998	1.04%	4.63%	3.07%	2.43%	41
2007-2008	4,058	1.50%	5.43%	5.98%	4.24%	60
2008-2009	4,051	-0.17%	2.38%	6.02%	1.63%	-7
2009-2010	4,057	0.15%	1.48%	5.40%	2.63%	6
2010-2011	4,059	0.05%	0.02%	2.58%	3.34%	2
2011-2012	4,005	-1.33%	-1.14%	0.18%	3.25%	-54
Enrollment change from EOY 1989-1990						11.50%
Average Change per year						0.50%

Woodford County

2011- University of Louisville Population Projections from the 2010 Census

Age Group	2000	2,010	2,015	2,020	2,025	2,030	2,035	2,040	2,045	2,050
00-04	1,450	1,435	1,457	1,476	1,482	1,458	1,420	1,382	1,362	1,355
05-09	1,643	1,708	1,547	1,570	1,590	1,597	1,571	1,530	1,490	1,468
10-14	1,788	1,735	1,785	1,617	1,641	1,662	1,669	1,642	1,599	1,558
15-19	1,624	1,705	1,671	1,717	1,563	1,585	1,604	1,611	1,586	1,547
Total 05-19	5,055	5,148	5,003	4,904	4,794	4,844	4,844	4,783	4,675	4,573
% Change from 2010			-3%	-5%	-7%	-6%	-6%	-7%	-9%	-11%
% Change per each period			-3%	-2%	-2%	1%	0%	-1%	-2%	-2%
20-24	1,221	1,218	1,224	1,200	1,232	1,126	1,141	1,154	1,159	1,142
25-29	1,415	1,299	1,321	1,328	1,300	1,338	1,211	1,229	1,244	1,250
30-34	1,613	1,389	1,441	1,467	1,474	1,442	1,485	1,344	1,364	1,381
35-39	2,040	1,622	1,603	1,663	1,693	1,701	1,664	1,713	1,551	1,573
40-44	2,170	1,736	1,731	1,711	1,775	1,807	1,816	1,776	1,829	1,655
45-49	1,956	2,125	1,811	1,805	1,784	1,851	1,884	1,894	1,852	1,908
50-54	1,667	2,154	2,181	1,858	1,852	1,830	1,899	1,933	1,943	1,900
55-59	1,242	1,910	2,187	2,215	1,887	1,880	1,858	1,928	1,962	1,972
60-64	965	1,662	1,893	2,168	2,195	1,871	1,864	1,842	1,911	1,945
65-69	715	1,129	1,580	1,801	2,063	2,090	1,781	1,773	1,753	1,819
70-74	635	785	1,020	1,425	1,627	1,864	1,891	1,610	1,602	1,583
75-79	513	564	657	855	1,191	1,363	1,562	1,588	1,351	1,343
80-84	290	415	423	491	640	889	1,020	1,170	1,192	1,013
85+	261	348	411	450	507	618	811	985	1,160	1,268
Projected Totals per Year	23,208	24,939	25,943	26,817	27,496	27,972	28,151	28,104	27,910	27,680