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UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT DISTRICT FACILITIES PLAN HEARING REPORT*

A public hearing was held at the Union County Board of Education Central Office located at 501 South Mart Street, Morganfield, Kentucky on <u>April 24, 2019</u>, at <u>5:30PM</u> (local time). The purpose of the public hearing was to propose a new District Facility Plan developed by the <u>Union County</u> Local Planning Committee. The Local Planning Committee (LPC) voted 13 – 0 in favor of the proposed new plan and the Board voted 5 - 0 to approve the new plan.

Steve Carter, Deputy Superintendent for the Union County School District served as the locally-appointed hearing officer. Judy Douglas and Joe Crowdus were in attendance.

COMMENTS

Deputy Superintendent Carter called the public hearing to order. The hearing officer outlined the purpose of the hearing and the hearing procedures in accordance with 702 KAR 4:180. 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 discussed the proposed new District Facility Plan. The schools in Union County are quite old but for the most part, they are in good condition. They need some major renovations. These include but are not limited to the following: lighting, external and internal doors, plumbing fixtures, furniture, asphalt paving, drainage issues, electrical wiring, carpet and flooring, phone and intercom systems, fire alarm and security system updates, lockers, library furnishings, kitchen equipment, and the like are all addressed in the plan. Many of these items have been listed on previous facility plans. The approximate renovation costs at each school and at the vocational center was shared at the Public Hearing. These needs were placed in Priority 2.

The central office, maintenance building, bus garage renovations and a new central storage building were placed in Priority 4.

Several discretionary projects were placed in Priority 5.

The total unmet need figure for Union County Schools was \$40,477,628.

The discretionary cost amount was approximately 12 million dollars.

The floor was opened to those who wished to make a statement. No one chose to speak and there were no written or emailed comments.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Marter
Steve Carter

Deputy Superintendent Union County Schools