RECOMMENDATIONS

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

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

Hearing officer name and title

KDE Staff name and title

cc:

Greg Dunbar, Manager of

District Facilities Branch

Plan

Planning File

Attachments:

Public Hearing Agenda

Hardin County School District Facility

9-17-20

HARDIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT DISTRICT FACILITIES PLAN HEARING REPORT AMENDMENT NO. 2

A public hearing was held at the Hardin County Board of Education on Sept. 16th, at 6:00 pm. The purpose of the public hearing was to propose an amended District Facility Plan developed by the Hardin County Local Planning Committee. The Local Planning Committee (LPC) voted 14-0 in favor of the proposed amended plan and the Board voted 5-0 to approve the amendment.

There was/were (16) persons at the hearing exclusive of the hearing officer individual(s) in attendance. John Stith, Chief Operating Officer for Hardin Co Schools, served as the locally-appointed hearing officer. Terrie Morgan, Superintendent, Kathy Cofer, Jenn Ryan, Jeremy Clark, Stacy Vincent, Courtney Overly, Laura Davis, Nicole Kiser, Lisa Stevenson, Kay Sharon, Board Member, Kevin Reilly, LPC member, Pam Earles, Joe Stucker, LPC member, Donna Propes, Dana Lajon, Matthew Lajon and his two daughters were present.

COMMENTS

Superintendent Morgan 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 amendment #2 to the District Facility Plan which includes; the amendment affected West Middle School and Cecilia Valley Elementary. Due to extra elementary capacity on the South end of the county, Cecilia Valley Elementary needs to be converted to West Middle School. This will use up a good portion of the extra elementary capacity and get West Middle students and staff in a modern facility.

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

- 1) Kathy C. spoke about the history of facility use in the district regarding Cecilia Valley and wants to keep Cecilia Valley an elementary school.
- 2) Jenn R. spoke about the benefits of Cecilia Valley Elementary School and wants transition pushed back.
- 3) Courtney O. spoke about the benefits of Cecilia Valley Elementary and how out of district changes affects school populations.
- 4) Laura Davis spoke to say don't make a rash decision and Cecilia Valley is a model school.
- 5) Dana Lajon spoke about the benefits of Cecilia Valley Elementary. Choose to stay because impressed with Howevalley.
- 6) Jeremy Clark spoke about enrollment and redistricting also choose to live in this area because of Cecilia Valley Elementary.