

**Agenda: LPC Meeting #3**

Date: February 10, 2022

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: In-Person/Zoom Meeting

**Meeting Purpose:** Potential District Facilities Plan Amendment**Meeting Called by:** Hopkins County Schools**Mission Statement**

The Mission of Hopkins County Schools is to unite as one team to learn and inspire.

**LPC Members** (x indicates attendance)

Amy Smith	X	Shelia Carter		Tina Peyton	
Marty Cline	X	Matt Beshear	X	Kilee Beshear	X
George Jones	X	Wendy Eaves	X	Lanise Stone	X
Steve Faulk	X	Eric Stone	X	Meaghan Teal	X
Peter Hughes	X	Jon Wells	X	Dr. Beth Beverly	X
Chuck Shockley	X	Scott Moore	X	Rian McGuyer	
Travis Ipox	X	Kia Zieba			

**Other Attendees** (x indicates attendance)

Pete Galloway	X	Drew Taylor	X	Julie Vaughn	X
Damon Fleming	X	Erika Stark	X	Brooke Stuart	X
John Osborne	X	Mary Jones	X	Andrew Owens	X
Lori Harrison	X	Eydie Tate	X	Mark Rawlings	X
Matt Hughes	X	Jan Richey	X	Justin McElfresh	X
Andy Belcher	X	Chad Menser	X	Ann Elkins	X
Alaysha Scott	X	Valerie Epperson	X	Jenny Haw	X
Jamie Brooks	X	Rebecca Barnett	X	JW Durst	X

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Information</b>
Call Meeting to Order	<p>Marty Cline called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. and welcomed everyone.</p> <p>Pete Galloway reviewed the DFP process. During the 4 year period, things can change that may need to be addressed in the facilities plan. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting since reconvening. He reviewed the architect review findings and funding availability from previous meetings. Any members attending by Zoom are asked to use the chat feature.</p>
Approval of Minutes from 2/3/22	Motion to approve by Steve Faulk, 2 <sup>nd</sup> by Scott Moore. All approved.

<p>Presentation of Draft #2 with KDE Comments Added</p>	<p>Justin McElfresh of Sherman Carter Barnhart Architects said there aren't many changes in the draft District Facilities Plan after being reviewed by Kentucky Department of Education. They added the wording "to become a transitional center" under South Hopkins Middle and Earlington Elementary. Southside is indicated to become a permanent PS-8 center. Renovations for Earlington and SHMS have been crossed out and cost estimates removed. There are a number of items for renovation to Southside Elementary to bring it to a PS-8 center. There is a slight change under Central Office that would allow the district to look at purchasing an existing facility and an addition rather than building an entirely new facility. Also, square footage is added to auxiliary gyms already in the plan to allow for storm shelters.</p> <p>Steve Faulk asked about the change to Southside enrollment from KDE. Mr. McElfresh said that is just a slight adjustment.</p> <p>Mr. Cline asked if there is any flexibility to the space listed to be added at Southside. Mr. McElfresh said that there is. The state will allow you to increase the size once the project is established.</p> <p>Scott Moore asked for the definition of transitional center. From an LPC perspective, Mr. McElfresh said, this means you are identifying these centers as transitional. Anything for closure would be undertaken by the board. Mr. Moore asked why Earlington was considered in the top three. Mr. McElfresh said this is difficult. Some of it is professional judgment and age of building systems. Earlington and West Hopkins have similar needs. However, they also look at what they may encounter that would make a renovation more difficult. Mr. Moore asked if Section 5 funds is bonded money. McElfresh said it is not.</p>
<p>Discussion</p>	<p>Mr. Cline asked if there is any additional discussion.</p> <p>Mr. Faulk said our school district has recorded a steady decline in enrollment. That's mostly because of job opportunities. At the same time, we are using 17 educational buildings. This is more buildings per student enrollment than any other district in the state. He said he knows change is difficult, but the school board is trying to maximize our financial opportunities and the learning experience for students and staff without raising taxes. One thing that has</p>

	<p>been looked at is one high school for our district. He feels it would be beneficial, but it would be difficult without a nickel or utility tax. He asks for other people’s thoughts on one high school.</p> <p>Mr. McElfresh said a new high school would be at least \$70M-\$90M, but that would have to include a second phase.</p> <p>Jon Wells said enrollment may make that necessary, but there are some HCCHS students who already spend a lot of time on a bus. This would increase if it’s moved to a more central location.</p> <p>Eric Stone said he has seen students leave West Hopkins in 8<sup>th</sup> grade who say they aren’t going to do the bus ride to Central and transfer to another nearby district.</p>
Vote	<p>Motion by Eric Stone to approve the amended DFP as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jon Wells. Roll call vote was taken. The vote to approve the draft was unanimous, 15-0.</p>
Next Steps	<p>Immediately after this meeting, no sooner than 6 p.m., there will be a required Public Forum. This draft will be submitted for KDE final approval and will go to the Hopkins County Board of Education for their approval. That will be on their agenda for a special called meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 15, at 5:30 p.m. at the CTC. The board will also appoint a hearing officer. That hearing is tentatively scheduled for March 3 at 5:30 p.m. at the CTC.</p> <p>Mr. Galloway said the public hearing will be advertised 2 weeks prior. Anyone who wishes to speak regarding the approved plan can do that. Comments will be documented. People may also submit written comments that he will read at the public hearing. The hearing is recorded and that recording is also submitted to the state.</p> <p>Mr. Cline thanked committee members for their willingness to participate in this process for the betterment of the district.</p>
Adjourn	<p>Motion to adjourn by Scott Moore, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt Beshear. All approved. Meeting is adjourned at 5:44 p.m.</p>