

UNITED BANKSHARES INC/WV  
Form 8-K  
May 24, 2012

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

### CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):

May 21, 2012

## United Bankshares, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

West Virginia  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

No. 0-13322  
(Commission  
File Number)  
300 United Center

55-0641179  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

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**500 Virginia Street, East**

**Charleston, West Virginia 25301**

**(Address of Principal Executive Offices)**

**(304) 424-8800**

**(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)**

**Not Applicable**

**(Former name or address, if changed since last report)**

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**Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders**

United Bankshares, Inc. ( United or the Company ) held its Annual Meeting of Shareholders (the Meeting ) on May 21, 2012 in Parkersburg, West Virginia. At the Meeting, shareholders voted on all proposals outlined in the Company s proxy statement (the Proxy Statement ) which were: (1) to elect fifteen (15) persons to serve as directors of the Company for a one-year term expiring at the 2013 Annual Meeting; (2) to ratify the selection of Ernst & Young LLP, as the independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012; and (3) to approve, on an advisory basis, the compensation of United s named executive officers. The proposals are described in detail in the Proxy Statement mailed to shareholders on or about April 9, 2012. The voting results for the proposals appear below.

Proposal 1. Election of Directors:

|                         | Votes For  | Votes Withheld | Abstentions | Broker Non-Votes |
|-------------------------|------------|----------------|-------------|------------------|
| Richard M. Adams        | 33,461,412 | 1,206,434      |             | 7,507,726        |
| Robert G. Astorg        | 33,574,997 | 1,092,849      |             | 7,507,726        |
| W. Gaston Caperton, III | 33,534,338 | 1,133,508      |             | 7,507,726        |
| Lawrence K. Doll        | 33,429,094 | 1,238,752      |             | 7,507,726        |
| Theodore J. Georgelas   | 33,641,056 | 1,026,790      |             | 7,507,726        |
| F. T. Graff, Jr.        | 32,633,907 | 2,033,939      |             | 7,507,726        |
| Douglas J. Leech        | 28,399,931 | 6,267,915      |             | 7,507,726        |
| John M. McMahon         | 33,607,244 | 1,060,602      |             | 7,507,726        |
| J. Paul McNamara        | 34,400,905 | 266,941        |             | 7,507,726        |
| Mark R. Nesselroad      | 34,240,798 | 427,048        |             | 7,507,726        |
| William C. Pitt, III    | 33,575,239 | 1,092,607      |             | 7,507,726        |
| Donald L. Unger         | 33,353,787 | 1,314,059      |             | 7,507,726        |
| Mary K. Weddle          | 34,392,663 | 275,183        |             | 7,507,726        |
| Gary G. White           | 34,372,185 | 295,661        |             | 7,507,726        |
| P. Clinton Winter, Jr.  | 33,747,776 | 920,070        |             | 7,507,726        |

Proposal 2. Ratification of the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm for 2012:

| For        | Against   | Abstentions | Broker Non-Votes |
|------------|-----------|-------------|------------------|
| 40,921,537 | 1,148,607 | 105,428     |                  |

Proposal 3. Approval, on an advisory basis, the compensation of United s named executive officers:

| For        | Against   | Abstentions | Broker Non-Votes |
|------------|-----------|-------------|------------------|
| 32,970,240 | 1,057,714 | 639,892     | 7,507,726        |

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

UNITED BANKSHARES, INC.

Date: May 24, 2012

By: /s/ Steven E. Wilson  
Steven E. Wilson, Executive Vice  
President, Treasurer, Secretary and  
Chief Financial Officer