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UNITED BANKSHARES INC/WV Form 8-K April 10, 2006

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): <u>April 10, 2006</u>

United Bankshares, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

West Virginia No. 0-13322 55-0641179

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

300 United Center 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)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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Item 8.01. Other Events

On April 10, 2006, United Bankshares, Inc. (United) issued a press release announcing a repositioning of its balance sheet. United s management indicated that the repositioning of the balance sheet was primarily in response to current changes in recent economic indicators and changes in United s deposit mix. Management believes these initiatives should improve United s net interest income, net interest margin, net earnings, return on assets, return on equity and risk-based capital ratios in future periods. Attached as Exhibit 99.1 is a copy of the press release relating to the announcement, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release, dated April 10, 2006, issued by United Bankshares, Inc.

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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: April 10, 2006 By: /s/ Steven E. Wilson

Steven E. Wilson, Executive Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Chief Financial

Officer