

MSAD 51 Board of Directors, Facilities Committee

Update on Greely High School Construction Project

The preliminary work for the Greely High School construction project approved by the voters in November 2006 is progressing according to schedule. Since the referendum, the following has occurred:

- The DOE approved the District's request to use a construction manager model and interviews were conducted by a committee comprised of the architect, Steve Blatt; the District's Superintendent and Director of Finances, Human Resources and Operations; and, representatives from the Board of Directors and the community. Ledgewood Construction, located in South Portland with a long history of serving as a general contractor and construction manager in Maine, has been hired as the construction manager for the project.
- With respect to the required permitting, DOT approved the project in January 2007. The project is currently before the Planning Board for the Town of Cumberland and its approval of the project is anticipated this spring. DEP approval is expected shortly thereafter.
- Negotiations were completed so that the project can be completed without moving the track.
- Architect Steve Blatt is working with the high school staff to further define building needs.
- The project will be done in two phases.
 - Phase I, 2007-2008: It is anticipated that the new construction will begin this June after the school year is completed and be ready for use in the fall of 2008. In addition, there will be some site work, re-roofing of the existing building and work done on the pool in Phase I.
 - Phase II, 2008-2009: The majority of the renovation and the remainder of the site work will take place during the 2008-2009 school year and is expected to be complete by August, 2009.
- The Bond Anticipation Notes (BAN) have been issued and the District is on track for the bonds to be issued next fall.

The work ahead will be significant but the District and community are well poised to take on this effort.