

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #247 (2000-2001)

March 19, 2001

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: DENALI REPLACEMENT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STATUS  
REPORT

PERTINENT FACTS:

The District received the Denali Elementary Replacement School Project Schematic Design drawings with construction cost estimate in February 2001.

The estimated construction cost of \$12.3 million is \$3.9 million above the budget of \$8.4, resulting in insufficient project funding to construct the project as currently designed and funded. The original budget was based upon the Fairview project, but recent changes in the construction market have significantly increased construction costs.

To validate the construction cost estimate the District contracted with Olympic Associates. Olympic Associates' assessment concluded that the probable construction cost would be approximately \$12 - \$12.5 million, which validated the original cost estimate.

Preliminary reviews indicate that there are cost reductions that can be made to the design without significantly compromising the program or quality of the project. However, it will not be possible to make sufficient reductions to bring the project within current funding and still meet these objectives.

Over the next few weeks the design team, building design committee and Facilities department will identify potential cost reductions and impacts to the project schedule.

A proposed course of action will be presented to the School Board at the April 30, 2001, meeting. These recommendations will identify possible cost reductions, additional funding required to complete the project, and revised design and construction schedules.

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