

Facility Development Report

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The primary activity of the Facility Development Committee for last two months has been the hiring of a construction manager to initially refine the cost estimate of the project. We currently have a very well developed conceptual design; the next step to get to final construction drawings will need to have specific professions (architectural, structural, electrical and mechanical) contracted to finalize the details and then cost out these details. The construction manager will co-ordinate the different professions and secure a more definitive cost estimate which should be done in September (initially we had thought this would be available in June but we experienced delays in scheduling interviews).

For the selection process, announcements were placed in the local newspaper as well as trade publications; 12 submissions were received by the stated deadline and shortlists of 5 candidates were selected for interviews. After careful consideration, Kindred Construction Ltd. was chosen based on their combination of expertise and experience working with non-profits. Meetings have been held between the project manager (Alan Martin from Kindred) and the specific professions and work on developing the “near final” construction plans (and the cost estimate) is underway. We will be meeting with the construction manager on a bi-monthly basis (and more often if needed) to receive updates and provide feedback as required.