

CORPORATE SERVICES, STRATEGIC PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

PROCUREMENT APPROVAL LIMIT

"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." (Matthew 25:40)

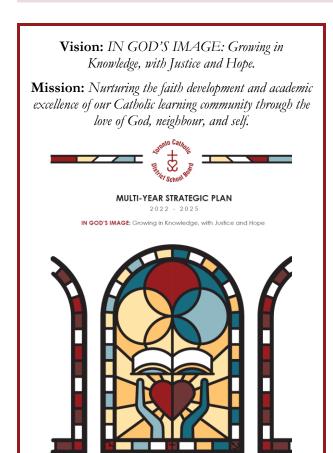
Drafted Meeting Date

March 15, 2024

April 18, 2024

J. Charles, Head of Procurement Services and Contract Administration

RECOMMENDATION REPORT



Brendan Browne
Director of Education

Adrian Della Mora Associate Director of Academic Affairs and Chief Operating Officer

Derek Boyce

Associate Director of Corporate Services and Chief Commercial Officer

Ryan Putnam Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The attached presentation was reviewed and discussed in detail with the Audit Committee on February 21, 2024. The presentation outlines a number of factors for consideration with respect to the current procurement approval limit. Staff is recommending an increase to the current limit to improve operational efficiency, reduce administrative time, mitigate vendor bid and scheduling challenges, and to adopt best practice in the education sector.

B. PURPOSE

This report recommends an increase to the current procurement limit based on the factors outlined in the attached presentation and rationale below.

C. SUMMARY

The attached presentation provides information regarding a number of factors pertinent to the consideration of the Board's procurement approval limit.

After an in-depth discussion the Audit Committee passed a motion recommending an increase to the procurement approval limit to \$100,000 effective immediately with awards between \$50,000 and \$100,000 to be provided as information in the monthly procurement approvals report.

Staff recommends an increase beyond \$100,000 and cite the current limit at our coterminous Board of \$250,000 for general goods/services and \$500,000 for capital/renewal. All new build awards are approved by the Board.

In addition, the remaining 8 Boards in the top 10 delegate full procurement authority to staff provided the award is within the approved budget and the process is consistent with Broader Public Sector Procurement Directive.

D. RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Trustees approve an increase to the procurement approval limit to \$100,000, effective immediately, with all procurement awards between \$50,000 and \$100,000 to be provided as information in the monthly procurement approvals report.

Ver2.6 Page 2 of 2