

AVON MAITLAND DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Create Positive, Inclusive Learning Environments, and Maximize Outcomes for Students

DIRECTOR'S ACTION REPORT

TO: Regular Board Meeting – Tuesday, May 7, 2019

AGENDA ITEM: 5.4 d)

SUBJECT: Approval of Procurement Process: Replacement Primary and Secondary Data Centre Hewlett Packard Enterprise Servers

1.0 Background

- 1.1 The Information Technology (IT) Department requires a refresh of Avon Maitland's (Board) current Primary and Secondary Data Centre Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HPE) servers located at the Education Centre and the Learning Resource Centre. Based on current performance issues and the manufacturer's end of life and support matrix, these servers are due to be replaced.
- 1.2 Pursuant to the Provincial Centralized Procurement Initiative, school boards are required to use an existing Vendor of Record (VOR) arrangement available through organizations such as Ontario Education Collaborative Marketplace (OECM) and Ministry of Government and Consumer Services (MGCS). It was determined that both OECM and MGCS had VOR arrangements for the procurement of these servers.
- 1.3 In addition, per the Board's Purchasing Administrative Procedure, this process requires board approval, as the expected value of the procurement is in excess of \$100,000.

2.0 Procurement Process

- 2.1 In April, staff reviewed the VOR arrangements available under both OECM and MGCS and determined that Compugen Inc. is the vendor of record for this equipment.
- 2.2 Staff requested and received quotes from Compugen Inc. under both VOR contracts, for the following equipment: Four (4) Hewlett Packard Enterprise ProLiant DL380 Gen10 8 Small Form Factor Configure-to-order servers.
- 2.3 Based on the information provided by Compugen Inc., it was determined that the best value for the Board is to procure the four (4) Hewlett Packard Enterprise DL380 Gen10 Small Form Factor Configure-to-order servers using the MGCS agreement referenced as Tender-6065: X86 Server Products and Services at a total price of \$106,717.29 including sales tax.

3.0 Recommendation

3.1 It is recommended that:

The Avon Maitland District School Board award the contract to supply four (4) Hewlett Packard Enterprise ProLiant DL380 Gen10 8 Small Form Factor Configure-to-order servers using the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services agreement referenced as Tender-6065: X86 Server Products and Services to the firm Compugen Inc., for the total amount of \$106,717.29 including applicable sales tax.

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