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## 803.1 Purchasing

## **Policy**

The procurement of materials, services, or equipment shall be made in accordance with the following criteria:

- · cost;
- reliability of the product and supplier;
- · ability to deliver on time;
- after sales service, maintenance and warranty;
- · features of the product.

## Regulations

- 1. The Associate Superintendent, Business Affairs shall be responsible for developing necessary procedures to ensure that:
  - 1.1 there is competitive buying for goods and services, where appropriate;
  - 1.2 federal and provincial acts and regulations are adhered to:
  - 1.3 wherever possible, bulk buying is used to obtain the best possible price and quality; 1.4 except as authorized by Division policy, supplies and equipment are not purchased for resale to employees and students unless expressly authorized by Board resolution or policy;
  - 1.5 all expenditures have been authorized by the Board in its approval of the annual budget or by special resolution;
  - 1.6 staff who are authorized to make purchases on behalf of the Division, do so in accordance with purchasing policy, regulations and procedures.
- 2. Notwithstanding any of the above, any contract, reply to a request for a proposal, or tender for the supply of an individual item with a value of more than \$100,000 shall be referred to the Board or a committee of the Board for approval.

The Board delegates to the Superintendent the authority to develop the procedures necessary to implement this policy.

