



117TH BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING

BOR RESOLUTION NO. 157

Series of 2024

GRANTING A DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT TO ENTER/SIGN CONTRACT AGREEMENT, ISSUE NOTICES OF AWARD AND TO PROCEED TO WINNING BIDDERS OF PROJECTS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS COVERING INFRASTRUCTURE AND EQUIPMENT INVOLVING AN AMOUNT OF UP TO TEN MILLION PESOS (P10,000,000.00) AND FOR EXPENDABLE GOODS AND SERVICES INVOLVING AN AMOUNT OF UP TO SIX MILLION PESOS (P6,000,000.00) PER CONTRACT AMOUNT AND SHALL ONLY BE AVAILED OF IN STRICT ADHERENCE TO THE RULES AND REQUIREMENTS PRESCRIBED UNDER RA 9184; FURTHER, REQUIRING ITS SUBMISSION TO THE BOARD FOR CONFIRMATION DURING ITS REGULAR MEETING

WHEREAS, CHED en banc Resolution No. 428-2015 dated July 27, 2015 granted authority for the SUC President to sign contracts of capital outlay projects covering infrastructure, equipment and consulting services of more than P3,000,000.00 contract amount shall be subjected to Board approval during a regular or special meeting;

WHEREAS, the Board, through BOR Resolution No. 131, s. 2018 dated September 3, 2018, approved the threshold limit requested by the University President: Infrastructure and Equipment – P5.0M and below; Goods and Services – P3M million and below;

WHEREAS, R.A. 9184 requires government agencies to implement projects promptly and in adherence to the recommended earliest possible time and maximum period allowed for the procurement of infrastructure projects;

WHEREAS, the University President presented a request by seeking Board approval of a delegated authority to enter into contract with the winning bidders for projects approved by the Board of Regents covering infrastructure and equipment and consulting services involving an amount of up to Ten Million pesos (P10,000,000.00) and for expendable goods and services involving an amount of up to Six Million Pesos (P6,000,000.00) per contract amount (Approved Budget for the Contract);

WHEREAS, it was made clear that the authority sought for shall only be availed of in strict adherence to the rules and requirements prescribed under R.A. 9184 and all actions taken by the office of the President in furtherance thereof shall be submitted to the Board for confirmation;

WHEREAS, the proposal was presented at the meeting of the University Administrative Council on 28 September 2024, and obtained favorable endorsement;

WHEREAS, a comparative matrix of threshold limits for other SUC Presidents was presented to the Board as compliance;

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WHEREAS, finding the University Administrative Council's recommendation in order, the Governing Board has agreed to approve the proposal;

Now, therefore, on motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, be it:


RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved that the Board of Regents of Visayas State University grants a delegated authority to the University President to enter/sign contract agreement, issue notices of award and to proceed to winning bidders of projects approved by the Board Of Regents covering infrastructure and equipment involving an amount of up to Ten Million Pesos (P10,000,000.00) and for expendable goods and services involving an amount of up to Six Million Pesos (P6,000,000.00) per contract amount and shall only be availed of in strict adherence to the rules and requirements prescribed under RA 9184;

RESOLVED FURTHER, to require its submission to the governing board for confirmation during its regular meeting.

IN WITNESS of our approval thereof, we hereby affix our signatures this 17th day of December 2024 at the Commission on Higher Education, Diliman, Quezon City, Philippines.


VSU BOARD OF REGENTS


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CHED Commissioner and Chairperson-designate

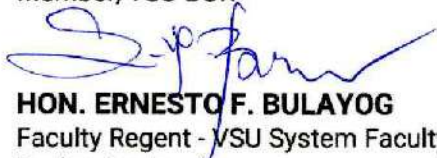

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

SUBJECT

PROPOSAL TO INCREASE THE THRESHOLD OF THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT IN APPROVING PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS

RATIONALE

Republic Act 9158, Section 7 (o) states that the *"The Board shall have the following specific powers and duties in addition to its general powers of administration and the exercise of all the powers granted to the Board of Directors of a corporation under Section 36 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 68, otherwise known as the Corporation Code of the Philippines: (o) To delegate any of its powers and duties provided for hereinabove to the president and/or other officials of the University as it may deem appropriate to expedite the administration of the affairs of the University;"*

It is proposed to increase the threshold limits and delegated signing authority for procurement activities per Contract amount (amount refers to the **Approved Budget** for the Contract):

- (a) Expendable Goods and Services: **6 M and below** – approval of the President and confirmation of the Board;
- (b) Infrastructure and Equipment: **10 M and below** - approval of the President and confirmation of the Board.

The university management wanted to ensure that there is timely delivery of goods and services to its clientele, as well as improve the budget utilization rate both for obligation and disbursement across all funds especially on Internally Generated Income to which the University performed very low in the past years. This also aims to contribute to the accomplishment of targets in the areas of instruction, research, extension, innovation, and production. Hence, this proposal.

LEGAL BASIS

- RA No. 8292, Section 4(o)
- RA No. 9158, Section 7 (o)
- RA No. 9437
- E.O 292, Book IV, Chapter 8, Sec. 40

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSAL

The proposal seeks the approval to increase the threshold granted to the University President in approving procurement contracts.

ENDORSEMENT

The University Administrative Council (UADCO) endorsed approval during its September 12, 2024 meeting.

During the BOR meeting last October 15, 2024, it was suggested by the Board to benchmark from other SUCs as to the delegated signing authority of the University Presidents as approved by their respective GB.

ATTACHMENT

- Proposed Increase of Threshold of the President in approving bidded contracts;

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- BOR Resolution No. 131, s. 2018
- BOR Resolution No. 54, s. 2018
- BOR Resolution No. 14 s. 2006
- Summary of Delegated Signing Authority for Procurement Contracts
- Threshold of SUC Presidents as provided by their Board Secretary

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Summary of Delegated Signing Authority for Procurement Contracts

BOARD AUTHORITY	DATE APPROVED	PARTICULARS
Resolution No. 54, s. 2018	5 July 2018	Adoption of CHED en banc Resolution No. 229-2018 until such time the University Administration is able to come up with a proposal increasing the threshold amounts considering the unique capability of the University
Resolution No. 131, s. 2018	3 September 2018	Approving the New Threshold Limits requested by the University President: Infrastructure and Equipment – P5 M and below; Goods and Services – P3 M and below, effective upon Board approval

PROPOSED DELEGATED AUTHORITY	JUSTIFICATION
Proposed new threshold limits and delegated signing authority for procurement activities per Contract amount (a) Expendable Goods and Services: 6 M and below – approval of the President and confirmation of the Board; (b) Infrastructure and Equipment: 10 M and below – approval of the President and confirmation of the Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To increase Budget utilization rate both for obligation and disbursement across all funds especially on Internally Generated Income. - To Improve the implementation of different programs and projects especially externally funded projects having timelines/duration; - Adhere to the cash-based budgeting as emphasized in various DBM guidelines - Prevent the return of unexpended balances to the funding agency - Timely delivery of equipment and goods for the benefit of intended beneficiaries (students, faculty, staff and stakeholders) - To answer to the different procurement delays related to award of contracts - Contribute to the attainment of targets of the different areas of the university in terms of instruction, research, extension, innovation, and production

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20 September 2024

DR. PROSE IVY G. YEPES
University President
Visayas State University

Benjie D. Corpio
— Benjie D. Corpio
9/20/24

Dear Dr. Yepes,

Good day!

We would like to submit the proposal on the Increase of Threshold of the President in Approving Procurement Contracts.

Thank you very much for your usual support.

Very truly yours,

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IN APPROVING PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS**

It was in 2018 that the amount of the threshold of the President was approved through BOR Resolution No. 131 s. 2018. It has been six (6) years, since its approval and there are significant changes in prices considering the inflation rate. In view of this, we would like to propose increase due to the following reasons:

- a.) To increase Budget Utilization Rate both for obligation and disbursement across all funds especially on Internally Generated Income for in the past years we have achieved low rates.
- b.) To improve the implementation of different programs and projects especially externally funded projects which has a timeline/duration.
- c.) Prevent return of unexpended balances to the funding agency
- d.) Adhere to the cash based budgeting as emphasized in various DBM guidelines
- e.) Timely delivery of equipment and goods for the benefit of intended beneficiaries (students, faculty, staff and other stakeholders)
- f.) To answer to the different procurement delays related to award of contracts
- g.) Contribute in the attainment of targets of the different areas of the university in terms of instruction, research, extension, innovation and production.

Presented below is the proposed delegating power of the VSU President on procurement activities:

Particulars	Per BOR 131, s. 2018	Proposed
Expendable Goods and Services	3M and below	6M and below – approval of the President and confirmation of the Board
Infrastructure and Equipment	5M and below	10M and below – approval of the President and confirmation of the Board

Note: Amount referred here is the Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC)

Attachment: BOR Resolution No. 131 s. 2018



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THRESHOLD COMPARISON

SUCS	Infrastructure Projects	Goods and Services
Biliran Province State University (BiPSU)	3M	3M
Eastern Samar State University (ESSU)	3M	600T
Leyte Normal University (LNU)	10M	5M
Northwest Samar State University (NWSSU)	3M	1M
Partido State University (PSU)	10M	10M
Southern Leyte State University (SLSU)	10M	6M
University of the Philippines (UP)	150M	25M


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