

### Trustee censure

**May 20, 2021 (Winnipeg, MB)** – At a meeting held May 17, 2021, the Board of Trustees of the Winnipeg School Division adopted a motion to formally censure Trustee Yijie (Jennifer) Chen for breaching the Winnipeg School Division Trustee Code of Conduct as outlined in Procedural By-law 1263 by publicly disclosing confidential information of the Board of Trustees.

Further, it is the responsibility of all trustees to:

- Commit to the Code of Conduct and to act at all times respectfully and with good faith, and in the best interests of the Winnipeg School Division.
- Demonstrate discretion and confidentiality with respect to information dealt within closed sessions including, but not limited to other matters identified as Confidential Information, which includes items dealing with negotiations with employees of the Board.
- Keep in confidence any personal or confidential information obtained in their capacity as a trustee and not disclose the information except when required by law or authorized by the school board to do so.
- Place in priority one's obligation to the democratic process rather than to one's own interests.
- Respect the Board's established due process.
- Respect the consultation process.
- Respect the decision of the Chair or Board on points of order.
- Refrain from making disparaging remarks about another trustee or group of trustees.
- Refrain from speculating on the motives of a trustee or a group of trustees, and; maintain a focus on issues being discussed without the inclusion of personal or anecdotal comments.

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