## TRUSTEE CODE OF CONDUCT SANCTIONS

- 1. The Trustee Code of Conduct requires that the Board commit itself and its members to ethical and appropriate conduct. Failure of a trustee to conduct themself in compliance with this policy may result in the Board instituting sanctions.
- 2. In particular, the Trustee Code of Conduct requires that trustees shall respect the confidentiality appropriate to issues of a sensitive nature.
- 3. Failure to comply with this requirement constitutes a failure of security. An individual trustee may bring a suspected breach of security to the attention of the Board, at a closed meeting of the Board. If by majority vote the Board agrees that a failure has occurred, the failure shall be recorded by the Board and the following procedure shall be invoked:
  - 3.1 The Board Chair shall request that the Director for the Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Board of Education (as head of the Saskatchewan Rivers Public Board of Education under <u>The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act</u>, appoint an independent investigator to review this matter. This request may occur only after such a motion has been discussed and agreed to by a majority of trustees present at a closed meeting of the Board. This decision shall immediately be approved in a public meeting of the Board.
  - 3.2 The independent investigator shall conduct an investigation and submit a report of findings and recommendations to the Board Chair and to the Director.
  - 3.3 The Board Chair shall present at a closed meeting of the Board, the report of the independent investigator. At this time, the trustee in question shall have an opportunity to present any additional, relevant information.
  - 3.4 If it is determined by a majority vote of the Board that a willful violation of security has occurred, for a first occurrence, a motion to write a letter of censure marked "Personal and Confidential" is required to be discussed and agreed upon by a majority of trustees present at a closed meeting of the Board. This decision requires immediate approval by a majority vote of trustees at a public meeting of the Board.
  - 3.5 For subsequent occurrences, a motion of censure against the trustee in question may be brought directly to a public meeting of the Board. This motion shall be approved by a majority vote of trustees present at such a meeting.
  - 3.6 The Board may additionally remove the offending trustee from some or all of the positions to which the Board may have appointed the trustee.

- 4. For a violation of all other sections of the Code of Conduct corrective measures may include:
  - An aggrieved trustee going to the offending trustee to seek resolution if the matter is between those trustees;
  - The Board Chair and Vice-Chair meeting with the offending trustee to seek resolution,
  - Having the matter discussed in an in-camera session of the board to seek resolution;
  - The Board authorizing the Board Chair to send a letter of clarification or direction to the trustee.