

Abilene Independent School District Board Document

Meeting Date: January 8, 2025

Meeting Type: Board Workshop

Item Type: Board Action (no presentation) Future Action Required: No If Yes, Month: n/a

Subject: Appealed Library Materials Board Decision on December 8, 2025

Background Information:

At the December 8, 2025, board meeting the SLAC's recommendations on challenged library materials were presented to the board. The board voted to approve the recommendation of the SLAC regarding which challenged materials should remain in the district's library catalog and which titles should be removed. The board voted to keep the following titles in the high school libraries:

- I Am Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter
- The Bluest Eye
- The Glass Castle
- Kite Runner
- The Lovely Bones
- Nineteen Minutes
- Poet X
- Sold
- Speak
- Will Grayson, Will Grayson

Per SB 13, if an appeal is made, the board of trustees shall take action at the first open meeting of the board held after the date the appeal is filed. If the decision is to not remove the library material(s), the board is not required to take any action in response to a written challenge of the library material(s) submitted before the second anniversary of the date of the determination to not remove the library material.

School board members have been given access to the challenge forms that were submitted to the district, SLAC notes, the SLAC meeting audio recordings, and access to the books assist them.

Attached Supporting Documents: None

Fiscal Implications: None

Administrative Recommendation:

After reviewing the materials, uphold the recommendation of the SLAC unless they agree that any title(s) is not appropriate to remain in the district's library catalog.

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