Consider approval for Library Materials October 20, 2025

1. Board Goal: Domain 1: High Quality Curriculum And Effective Instruction

2. Background:

Senate Bill 13 (SB) states each time a school library catalog is updated, the board of trustees must approve or reject the list of proposed library materials at the first open meeting of the board held 30 days or later after the list is made available to the public.

UCISD Library Services convened a comprehensive review process that included educators, stakeholders and campus administrators to ensure all materials under consideration are aligned with the district's educational and developmental goals. Each selection is intentionally designed to enrich the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) and strengthen the district's curriculum through engaging, standards-based resources. Titles are carefully curated to support a balanced and inclusive library collection that reflects the diverse interests, maturity levels, abilities, and learning styles of all students. These materials aim to foster a lifelong love of reading, promote critical thinking, and encourage personal growth through the respectful exploration of diverse ideas and perspectives.

3. Process:

UCISD Library Services follows a transparent and collaborative process for reviewing and recommending library materials. Suggestions may originate from students, parents, teachers, library staff, and community members, with additional input gathered through consultation with library professionals from other districts. Selections are guided by trusted sources, including professional library journals, recognized state and national reading lists, and reputable vendor catalogs. Each title under consideration must include professional reviews that indicate favorable quality and content, ensuring that all materials are age-appropriate, academically relevant, and aligned with the district's educational standards.

4. Fiscal Impact:

All purchases were budgeted through existing instructional materials and library allocations.

5. Recommendation:

Approval of the Library materials for the 25-26 school year.

6. Action Required:

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7. Contact:

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