



Paradise Valley Unified School District | Meeting Minutes

Library Title Review Committee Meeting #1

Oct 7, 2024 | [Library Title Review Meeting, VIRTUAL](#)

Attendees: Alexandra Ariemma, Amy Smith, BRIDGET O'BRIEN, COURTNEY LEYBA, Candis Rade, Deborah Arn, Haley Kolseth, Heidi Winden, Julie Hight, Julie Slaughter, Kayla Vronoski, Linda Cleveland, Lissa Davis, Megan Knee, Melchor Miranda, MILLIE DAVILA, Nisha Shah, Patience Sharp, RHIANNA SCHNORR, Shelly Edgar, SHIRLEY HANEY, SHANNON WOOD, STACI DAGUANNO, TARA ANDERSON, Cheryl Newman, DOROTHY JOKERST, AMBER LOVE, Amy House, Zita Benjamin

Agenda with Notes from the Meeting

Date: October 7, 2024

Time: 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Meeting Location (Virtual)

Purpose of the Committee:

The Curriculum and Instruction Department will be facilitating a committee which will generate a list of book titles for Paradise Valley school libraries to purchase for school libraries. This process has been created to fulfill [Arizona's HB 2439](#)

Purpose of Today's Meeting:

- Discuss the Arizona Law and PV's Process
- Review the PV List of Titles
- Approve the PV List of Titles for Community Review

Outcomes of Today's Meeting:

- Shared Understanding of Process & AZ Law
- Finalized List for Community Review

Agenda with Notes

- I. Welcome

- A. Introduction of Facilitator
- B. Review Norms, Purpose of Committee & Today's Outcomes
- C. Review Professional Agreements, & Roles
- D. Committee Member Introductions
- E. Open Meeting Law & Freedom of Information
- F. Communication to Stakeholders
- G. Review Timelines
- No Notes from This Section

II. School Library Law

- A. Review Law
- B. Share 3 main components of law
- C. Share how PV has met each component
- Notes:
 - Can books be added to a school site without adding to the list if another school in the district has that book? Answer: No, each school has a unique collection. Once a book is approved through this process, then it will be approved for any school in our district for that grade band

III. Our Process for this Committee

- A. Review Timeframe
- B. Decision Making Checkpoints
- No Notes for This Section

IV. PV List of Titles for Community Feedback

- A. Share how lists were developed
- B. Review Feedback Form & Access
- Notes: Discussion of previously approved four titles from the series, *Heartstopper*. Concern from a middle school that the book is more suited for high school students. After several sites were consulted, book is listed as 13+ or 14+ depending on site. 8th graders are usually 13 but 7th graders are 12. Netflix has a new series based on the books and the series is rated 14+. Committee decided to recommend moving the title from middle school to high school on the Fall 2024 Title List that will go out for public review. Titles are listed with an * and note of the recommendation to move to a different grade band.

V. Next Steps

- A. Open Meetings & PV
- B. Community Member Comments
- C. Next Meeting Information
- No Notes from This Section