



## School Library Advisory Council

11.19.25

Voting Members Present	Non-Voting Members Present
Ellen Burnett	Jenn Hoelscher
Dayspring Fowler	Julee Manley
Amanda Puffer	Kari Eliason
Jen Sutton	Tammie Baggerly
Katherine Dickey	Lori McLaughlin

### AGENDA

#### 1. Welcome and Purpose

- Good Things: The meeting opened with participants sharing personal and professional highlights, such as student activities.
- Visual Highlights: Attendees reviewed photos of campus events, including STEM/literacy nights, wax museums, and character dress-up days.
- Battle of the Books: A detailed overview was provided for Battle of the Books, a middle school competition where students read a selected list of titles and compete in teams to identify authors and titles for points.
- Primary Objective: The main purpose of the meeting was to discuss and finalize the book list for the upcoming April 20th board meeting.

#### 2. Book list with professional reviews where appropriate and vote

The meeting minutes identified one book on the proposed purchase list that was questioned by a parent committee member:

Book Title	Level	Committee Action	Concern Raised
Scar Like A River	Middle School	Motion to move to high school list	Reviews indicated mature subjects better suited for high school students

After a discussion, the motion to approve the entire book list with this book removed from the middle school list was made and seconded. The council voted unanimously to move forward with this list.

### 3. Questions, Answers and Feedback

- Budget Status: Participants noted that current library budgets are nearly spent for the fiscal year, with no significant new orders expected until the budget reopens in September.
- Meeting Cadence: Feedback suggested moving toward shorter, more frequent virtual meetings (e.g., 30 minutes monthly). This would prevent the large books lists that occur in the fall and reduce the wait time for student-requested books. SLAC would like the list ASAP. We need to align with board systems for efficiency.
- Future Staffing Concerns: There was a discussion regarding the impact of moving to Innovation Specialists next year and how this committee will support teachers and students through that transition.
- Next Steps: The committee plans to meet again in August to prepare lists for the September budget opening.