

Lake Travis ISD — School Library Advisory Council (SLAC)

Official Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, May 19, 2026

Time: 12:30 p.m. -2:30 p.m.

Location: Educational Development Center (EDC), 607 Ranch Rd 620 N, Austin, TX 78734

Facilitator: Tasha Barker

Attendees

Role	Name	Attendance
SLAC Committee, Member	Monica Hall-Porter	Present
SLAC Committee, Member	Ana Marie Lindsey	Present
SLAC Committee, Member	Carolyn Hall	Absent
SLAC Committee, Member	Tisha Moulinet	Absent
SLAC Committee, Member	Jodie Dover	Present
SLAC Committee, Member	Heather Andress	Present
SLAC Committee, Member	Margaret Green	Present
SLAC Committee, Member	Ashley Conrad	Present
SLAC Committee, Member	Katie Johnston	Present
SLAC Committee, Member	Aprillanne Sweat	Present
SLAC Committee, Member/Chair	Gina Dreesen	Present
SLAC Committee, Member	Christine Badillo	Present
SLAC Committee, Member	Windsar Fields	Absent
SLAC Committee, Member	Lindsay Germann	Tardy
School Board Liaison	Keely Cano	Absent
School Board Liaison	Jonathan Bove	Present
District Resource	Maci Shannon	Present
District Resource	Andrea Khawaja	Absent
District Resource	Elizabeth Sterns	Present
District Resource	Mina Ehrie	Present
District Resource	Caitlin Robson	Present

Call to Order & Agenda

The meeting was called to order at 12:38 p.m.

Action Item Summary

I. Call to Order & Roll Call

Chairwoman Gina Dreesen called the meeting to order. A roll call of voting members was conducted, and it was determined that a quorum was present, authorizing the Council to conduct its review and record sentiment tallies for the Board of Trustees.

II. Statement of Advisory Role

Chairwoman Dreesen began the meeting by reaffirming that the role of SLAC is advisory in nature.

"This Council does not vote to approve or deny purchases, as final authority rests with the Board of Trustees. Our responsibility is to review proposed materials, consider submitted feedback, and report our observations and collective sentiment tallies to the Board for their final consideration."

III. Summary of Discussion & Sentiment Tallies

The committee's discussion included a line-by-line consideration of the submitted feedback.

Elementary Procurement List:

1. The My Sister Freak: a Graphic Novel

Jones, Dani

- Based on protagonist age, publisher reviews, LGBTQ+ and romance references it is recommended that this book be moved to Middle School.
- Discussed amongst SLAC members - ideas on how parents can restrict these types of books to elementary age students.
- 7 voters move the book for consideration at the elementary school level
- 3 voters move the book for consideration to the middle school level

2. Brady Mason's perfect fit

Melleby, Nicole

- Book includes content regarding same-sex crushes, LGBTQ+, and obscene/profane gestures throughout
- One voting member is currently reading this book and states that the same-sex crush is the mother. The book is juvenile and is over 400 pages. It romanticizes orphans finding parents. Member feels that the majority of elementary school students will not want to read the book but does belong in elementary school libraries.
- 8 voters move the book for consideration at the elementary school level
- 2 voters move the book for consideration to the middle school level

3. Hand-Me-Down

Alexander, Damian

- Book to be released in July - asked Librarians when would books released during summer be placed on school shelves? Can be several months depending on availability or if the books are popular and back ordered. For example, if this book is on back order and is then added to a list to be voted on by SLAC, then it could be November when the book would be on shelves.
- Discussed other books written by Alexander, Damian.
- Kirkus Review states the book has a LGBTQ+ theme.
- Librarian states that books that are reviewed by SLAC are scrutinized by a Librarian before a decision is made to place the book on the shelf. Not all books go to every campus Library due to differences in students at each campus.
- 7 voters move the book for consideration at the elementary school level
- 3 voters move the book for consideration to the middle school level

Middle School Procurement List:

1. Pizza Witch

Graley, Sarah (graphic novel)

- Based on the protagonist's age (17 years old) and romance, a voting member is recommending this book for high school.
- 8 voters move the book for consideration at the middle school level
- 1 voter moves the book for consideration to the high school level

2. Keyaki Shopping District's Sakura Bathhouse, Vol. 1

Yuzu Tsubaki

- Librarian removed from consideration - this was on a digital list and had not been vetted.

For a complete and detailed record of the discussion, the official [audio recording](#) of the meeting shall serve as the authoritative record.

Meeting Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:34 p.m.