School Library Advisory Council (SLAC)

October 6, 2026

5:00pm - 6:00pm

Board Room at WISD Administration

Welcome and Introductions

Establishment of SLAC

Senate Bill 13 - SB 13 and related statute, administrative rule, and legal precedent establish a variety of requirements for Texas public schools, related to how to manage library materials, including policies that school boards must establish.

The board may choose to establish a local school advisory council to assist the district in ensuring that local community values are reflected in each school library catalog.

SLAC Membership

Members shall be appointed by school board members

The board president shall designate the chair of the committee.

The board chair and a majority of appointed members must be parents of enrolled students and be individuals who are not employed by the district.

Each board member may appoint one non-voting member to the SLAC but all such non-voting members must serve in one of the following roles: classroom teacher, librarian, certified school counselor, school administrator, member of the business community, or member of the clergy.

SLAC meetings

The SLAC shall meet at least two times per school year.

SLAC meetings shall be recorded and posted on the district website.

SLAC will meet as necessary to fulfill the responsibilities listed below

SLAC responsibilities

1. The LSLAC shall review and present a recommendation to the Board of Trustees regarding changes to policies and procedures for (a) the acquisition of library materials consistent with local community values, and (b) processing challenges received by the district, including the procedures identified in this policy and any related administrative procedures.

2. The LSLAC shall determine whether library materials proposed for acquisition, including all materials proposed for acquisition and donated materials, are appropriate for each grade level for which the library materials are proposed to be acquired, and the LSLAC shall present its determinations as recommendations to the Board of Trustees.

3. The LSLAC shall determine whether removal of any library materials is warranted based on an analysis of whether the library materials at issue contain harmful material or indecent content or profane content that is inconsistent with local community values or

age appropriateness. The LSLAC shall present its determinations as recommendations to the Board of Trustees.

4. The LSLAC shall evaluate all challenges received by the district and present the committee's findings and recommendations to the Board of Trustees.

5. The LSLAC shall evaluate the applicability of and make recommendations to the Board of Trustees, if applicable, for joint use agreements or strategies for collaboration between the school district and local public libraries or community organizations.

6. The LSLAC may adopt and recommend procedures to the Board of Trustees to permit the appointment of library material review subcommittees that consist of at least five members appointed by the Board of Trustees, who are not on the LSLAC and a majority of whom are parents of students enrolled in the school district and who are not employed by the district to review challenged library materials. The Board of Trustees may adopt or reject such recommendation. If adopted, the library material review committee must meet at least two times each year and at other times necessary to review library materials and make a recommendation for action by the district and to follow the same meeting posting, minutes, and recording requirements that the LSLAC is required to follow. If rejected, the LSLAC must satisfy all requirements set forth in this policy.

All recommendations made by the LSLAC must adhere to the library standards approved by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC), as contained in 13 Tex. Admin. Code § 4.2. Before presentation to the board, the district's legal counsel shall evaluate all LSLAC recommendations to confirm adherence to TSLAC standards. LSLAC recommendations not compliant with TSLAC administrative rules shall not be presented to the board.

The district-level library supervisor shall also coordinate meetings and activities of the LSLAC and ensure compliance with this policy.

Library Material Acquisition Time Line

August 28, 2026	Potential order list received from campus librarians
October 6, 2026	SLAC meeting to establish review process
October 7, 2026	Potential order list post to district website for community review and input
November 6, 2026	SLAC meeting to review recommendations of the SLAC
November 16, 2026	School Board Meeting and potential approval of book order list
November 17, 2026	Approved book orders are placed for spring delivery

Designation of SLAC president

Establish a process for material review

District librarians - provide guidance for reviewing book titles

Questions

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Signature

9/30/26

Date

3:15 pm.

Time