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Transcript

00:00:01 Speaker 2

Yeah, I'd like to call to order the meeting of the Livingston Parish Library Board control for July 19th at 5:00 PM, Mr.

00:00:13 Speaker 3

Karov where you call the roll.

00:00:16 Speaker 1

Ronnie binkis

00:00:18 Speaker 1

Kathy DeGeneres Ivy Graham.

00:00:22 Speaker 1

Debbie Hanson

00:00:23 Speaker 1

Here Steven link.

00:00:26 Speaker 1

Melissa Anderson

00:00:28 Speaker 1

Hearing Sandifer, yeah. Clayton Riggs.

00:00:32 Speaker 3

Have everyone received the minutes.

00:00:35 Speaker 3

From the last meeting.

00:00:41 Speaker 2

Is there motion to dispense with the reading?

00:00:44 Speaker 1

I approved this presented.

00:00:46 Speaker 6

I made that we approve the Minutes.

00:00:48 Speaker 7

I said

00:00:49 Speaker 2

All in favor.

00:00:56 Speaker 2

She was next. Public comments.

00:00:59 Speaker 7

I'm going to make.

00:01:00 Speaker 5

A motion.

00:01:01 Speaker 5

To amend the agenda to move up light of six items 6A and 6B.

00:01:09 Speaker 5

So that we can address what we need to test.

00:01:13 Speaker 5

And everybody has to stay.

00:01:16 Speaker 5
For the boring stuff at the end, unless you.

00:01:18 Speaker 5
Want to you're very welcome to.

00:01:21 Speaker 1
Maybe a second?

00:01:22 Speaker 5
I didn't say one second.

00:01:26 Speaker 1
I'm going to.

00:01:28 Speaker 1
Do a roll call for that.

00:01:31 Speaker 1
Miss Hanson.

00:01:33 Speaker 1
Yes, Mr generous.

00:01:36 Speaker 1
OK, Miss Anderson, Miss Sandifer.

00:01:40 Speaker 1
OK, so agenda is amended.

00:01:44 Speaker 3
New business.

00:01:48 Speaker 5
I have some.

00:01:55 Speaker 5
Papers to share.

00:01:56 Speaker 5
I have enough for each board member I.

00:01:58 Speaker 11
Don't have enough for everybody that I can share.

00:02:13 Speaker 4
Next line.

00:02:38 Speaker 13
Oh, that's right.

00:02:39 Speaker 13
I'm not projects.

00:02:54 Speaker 14
Right here.

00:02:58 Speaker 5
So in in the booklet there are two pages.

00:03:03 Speaker 5
Or in the little pamphlet that I.

00:03:04 Speaker 11
Made it so made there are.

00:03:07 Speaker 11
Two days that I did not write a book title.

00:03:09 Speaker 11
Once replying with that book is on the front.

00:03:21 Speaker 5
So anybody else is cell phone.

00:03:22 Speaker 5
If you have, yeah.

00:03:24 Speaker 8
Right?

00:03:34 Speaker 5
Here just look idle.

00:03:36 Speaker 11
Well, trippy desktop.

00:03:38 Speaker 10
I don't wanna see that.

00:03:40 Speaker 15
The house.

00:03:48 Speaker 14
Thank you very much.

00:03:55 Speaker 16
Benchwarmer goodpastor yes.

00:04:01 Speaker 11
OK.

00:04:02 Speaker 5
So the the extra 2 pages go with.

00:04:05 Speaker 7
The book it feels good to be yourself.

00:04:06 Speaker 11
And and So what? I'm

00:04:08 Speaker 11
Things to the board in light is I was approached by.

00:04:12 Speaker 11
A few critical.

00:04:13 Speaker 11
Of Livingston Parish

00:04:16 Speaker 5
A state official also brought this to my attention, and so I started looking things up in our libraries.

00:04:23 Speaker 5
In my rule starts of our votes that we have.

00:04:26 Speaker 5
In our log.

00:04:26 Speaker 5
Area we wanted to ask simply just ask the board to look into the content of some of the books in our library in our region.

00:04:34 Speaker 5
There are so many.

00:04:36 Speaker 7
They come in various genres.

00:04:39 Speaker 5
So it's hard to track down the content I was inside about the content in regards to children and the children and young adult section.

00:04:47 Speaker 5

I have found it to be inappropriate.

00:04:50 Speaker 5

And then.

00:04:52 Speaker 5

I need the board to look at it.

00:04:55 Speaker 5

I know that.

00:04:58 Speaker 2

You probably have.

00:05:00 Speaker 5

No idea where I'm.

00:05:02 Speaker 5

Coming from so, in order for us to have this discussion, I wrote some books now.

00:05:07 Speaker 4

Right?

00:05:09 Speaker 7

So that you can go home.

00:05:11 Speaker 5

And look at it.

00:05:14 Speaker 4

I don't see.

00:05:16 Speaker 5

There's more you know, but there's just.

00:05:19 Speaker 5

So many I don't know how to.

00:05:21 Speaker 5

How to track it or address it?

00:05:25 Speaker 5

It is very tedious and complex.

00:05:40 Speaker 4

Do you?

00:05:40 Speaker 3

Have anything further to add?

00:05:42 Speaker 5

Is that at this point?

00:05:44 Speaker 5

Do we open that framework and put in the compact and discuss?

00:05:52 Speaker 3

I would have to.

00:05:54 Speaker 2

Do a lot of living.

00:05:56 Speaker 7

Please she proposing what are you proposing?

00:05:59 Speaker 5

I'm proposing for the board to.

00:05:59 Speaker 7

In these messages.

00:06:01 Speaker 5

Look into the books that we have in our library in regard to.

00:06:05 Speaker 5

Inappropriate sexual conduct content for children and young adults.

00:06:13 Speaker 7

So just look into.

00:06:14 Speaker 19

Yeah, what's the action?

00:06:15 Speaker 19

After you look at it?

00:06:16 Speaker 11

Are we opening for public, yeah.

00:06:20 Speaker 3

Public comments are appropriate at this time.

00:06:24 Speaker 3

After this, 'cause to deny.

00:06:29 Speaker 1

Miss Cathy, you want to?

00:06:30 Speaker 2

Y'all gonna have you wanted to go to the public podium then have to go to?

00:06:34 Speaker 3

The podium and state.

00:06:36 Speaker 3

Your name and address and address.

00:06:39 Speaker 3

The sandefer.

00:06:40 Speaker 4

Right?

00:06:40 Speaker 11

On another board member.

00:06:43 Speaker 6

I'm sorry, say my name and director roles.

00:06:46 Speaker 1

Or where are you from?

00:06:47 Speaker 7

You're living in a clear living address.

00:06:51 Speaker 6

All right hello board, my name is Amanda Jones. I'm the 2021 school library General National School Librarian of the Year and a resident of Livingston Parish.

00:07:02 Speaker 6

I am here on behalf of my own childhood business district and as a taxpayer, I am the President of the Louisiana Association of School Librarians, and I'm speaking on behalf in that capacity today.

00:07:16 Speaker 6

While both challenges are often done with the best intentions with the name of age appropriateness, they often target marginalized communities such as our black indigenous people of color and our LGBT community.

00:07:29 Speaker 6

They also target books on sexual health and reproduction.

00:07:33 Speaker 6

Considering that Livingston Parish has the highest rate of children.

00:07:36 Speaker 6

In foster care per capita in Louisiana and that number has doubled over the years.

00:07:41 Speaker 6

I find it ironic that any member of.

00:07:42 Speaker 6

The community will.

00:07:43 Speaker 6

Want to limit access books only?

00:07:45 Speaker 6

Reproduction or relocate it away from our children who need it the most.

00:07:49 Speaker 6

Once you start relocating and banning one topic, it becomes a slippery slope.

00:07:54 Speaker 6

And where does it end?

00:07:55 Speaker 6

All members of our Community deserve to be seen.

00:07:58 Speaker 6

Have access to information and and see themselves in our Public Library collection, censoring and relocating books and displays is harmful to our community.

00:08:08 Speaker 6

Will be extremely harmful to our most vulnerable.

00:08:11 Speaker 6

Our children according to the Trevor Project LGBTQ youth.

00:08:15 Speaker 6

Not inherently prone to suicide risks, however, they are at a higher risk because of how they are mistreated and stigmatized in our society.

00:08:24 Speaker 6

Libraries are for everyone according to the American Library Association, of which I have a member and hold several offices.

00:08:31 Speaker 6

Libraries are a cornerstone of the community dedicated to serving the information needs of everyone.

00:08:36 Speaker 6

As such, they collect and make available a wide variety of information resources representing the.

00:08:42 Speaker 6

Range of human thought.

00:08:43 Speaker 6

And experience with such a broad spectrum of ideas and information available.

00:08:47 Speaker 6

It is inevitable that.

00:08:49 Speaker 6

Occasionally encounter resources they believe to be inappropriate for their own family just because you enter a library.

00:08:55 Speaker 6

It does not mean that you will not see something that you do not like.

00:08:59 Speaker 6

Libraries have diverse collections with resources for many points of view, and a library's mission is provide access.

00:09:05 Speaker 6

To all users.

00:09:07 Speaker 6

All library users have the 1st Amendment right to borrow, read, view and listen to library resources.

00:09:13 Speaker 6

According to the American Library Association.

00:09:15 Speaker 6

If an individual is concerned about a child or young adult resource or its location in the library, that individual has the right to go through the library's consider reconsideration policy that is already in place.

00:09:26 Speaker 6

In our parish, each family has the right to determine which library.

00:09:30 Speaker 6

The resources are acceptable for their own children, but individuals must also realize that they must afford the same rights.

00:09:37 Speaker 6

To other parents.

00:09:38 Speaker 6

The citizens of our parish consists of taxpayers who are white, black, brown, gay, straight Christian and non Christian people from all backgrounds and walks of life and no one portion of the community should dictate what the rest of the citizens have access to.

00:09:52 Speaker 6

You just because you don't want to read it or see it and does not give you the right to deny others or demand it's relocate.

00:09:58 Speaker 6

Mission if we remove or relocate books with LGBTQ themes or sexual health content, what message is that sending to our community?

00:10:07 Speaker 6

Why is your belief system any more important than others? What will be next if you accomplish this mission? Parents have a personal responsibility to monitor their own child's reading and no.

00:10:17 Speaker 6

One else is.

00:10:19 Speaker 6

The Livingston Parish Library director Giovanni Tariff has accomplished wonderful wonders for our Public Library and made it an.

00:10:25 Speaker 6

Award-winning system.

00:10:27 Speaker 6

There's a reason the Louisiana Library Association named him the 2019 Public Library director of the Year.

00:10:33 Speaker 6

Trust his judgment and those of the other dedicated Livingston Parish Library employees.

00:10:37 Speaker 6

There is already a solid corruption development policy in place.

00:10:41 Speaker 6

Nobody is putting ***** in children.

00:10:43 Speaker 6

Sections of the library.

00:10:45 Speaker 6

It stopped that false narrative the librarians over the collection of library science degrees that use professional reviews, which list ages of relevant.

00:10:52 Speaker 6

Relevancy and age appropriateness before deciding where to place it in the library, there is already a book challenge process.

00:10:59 Speaker 6

If a community member.

00:11:00 Speaker 6

There's not like a particular book or location as a board member.

00:11:04 Speaker 6

You should already know that.

00:11:06 Speaker 6

Two board member Aaron Sandifer who placed this item on the agenda.

00:11:09 Speaker 6

I will say this you once posted on social media that there are folks who don't do not agree with you and then we can be one of your greatest teachers and that is a very animal statement.

00:11:19 Speaker 6

I would love to teach you about how harmful censorship can be, both policing and agenda items like this that will affect.

00:11:25 Speaker 6

For youth and historical historically marginalized communities.

00:11:29 Speaker 6

To the entire.

00:11:30 Speaker 6

But I will say this, I grew up in this parish. I had lived here for 44 years. I was raised that God is love.

00:11:37 Speaker 6

What I've come to realize is that what many people mean is that God is love.

00:11:41 Speaker 6

Only if you have the same religious and political beliefs as.

00:11:44 Speaker 6

The I have lived in our pairs for a long time.

00:11:47 Speaker 6

I have a mother of a child in our system and I have been a Livingston Parish.

00:11:50 Speaker 6

Library card holder since 1983.

00:11:52 Speaker 6

I mean, I have watched our Public Library grow to be one of our parishes biggest assets, something that we can be proud of.

00:11:59 Speaker 6

I will remind board Members that regardless of your old device on the topic of book content location to think about this, no one on the right side of history has ever been on the side of censorship and hiding books.

00:12:11 Speaker 6

In the words of authors.

00:12:13 Speaker 6

Steven Chomsky banning books gives us silence from meaning, speech it.

00:12:17 Speaker 6

Closes our ears.

00:12:18 Speaker 6

When we need to listen, it makes us blind when we need sites, hate and fear disguised as moral outrage have no place in Livingston Parish.

00:12:26 Speaker 6

Thank you for allowing.

00:12:27 Speaker 6

Me to speak tonight.

00:12:40 Speaker 20

So here's some of the same statistics, but they're very prevalent.

00:12:43 Speaker 20

My name is Kelsey Sibley.

00:12:44 Speaker 20

I am my pronouns, are she her and I'm a lifelong resident of Livingston Parish and a patron of this library system.

00:12:51 Speaker 20

I got my first library card before I could even write my own name that has my grandmother handwriting on it.

00:12:56 Speaker 20

I was reading by the age of four and testing.

00:12:58 Speaker 20

Above my grade level throughout.

00:13:01 Speaker 20

I attended Livingston Parish public schools and I'm a proud graduate of Bunker High.

00:13:05 Speaker 20

I went on to graduate from LSU with a degree in mass communication in a minor in history.

00:13:09 Speaker 20

I have built a career out of reading and writing and.

00:13:12 Speaker 20

I'm good at.

00:13:12 Speaker 16

It all of this.

00:13:14 Speaker 20

Is significant to the point I.

00:13:15 Speaker 20

Want to make to you?

00:13:16 Speaker 20

About the severity of this discussion.

00:13:19 Speaker 20

Despite whatever pretty words, I think we've all heard about being concerned about what's in our collection, I want to make sure that we're being honest.

00:13:27 Speaker 20

About what this?

00:13:28 Speaker 20

Discussion is.

00:13:29 Speaker 20

It's an attempt to remove.

00:13:30 Speaker 20

Content from the Public Library system and an effort to censor the voices of historically oppressed and marginalized communities.

00:13:36 Speaker 20

The board in this system has a responsibility to make decisions that align a library with mission and vision statements listed on the library website.

00:13:44 Speaker 20

I believe the content.

00:13:46 Speaker 20

The errors are defense too, and maybe some of the other parents and elected officials.

00:13:51 Speaker 20

Are specifically LGBTQIA those stories and voices are being targeted nationwide according to the American Library Association. The top three most challenged books in 2021 were all LGBTQIA plus.

00:14:05 Speaker 20

As we've seen across the country, most publicly in Florida, with the parental rights and education bill, more commonly known as we don't say gay bill supporters of banning LGBTQI content will cite the need to protect children from discussions about gender identity and sexuality, and they even go so far as to label this consenting as grooming.

00:14:23 Speaker 20

Let's talk about why this is problematic.

00:14:26 Speaker 20

In the context of a Public Library, first removing any content from a library in an effort to Center for political and ideological reasons is not only wrong, it's unethical and could be considered a violation of First Amendment.

00:14:37 Speaker 20

Right?

00:14:38 Speaker 20

2nd censorship of LGBTQ I plus materials discriminates against patrons, residents and families that are part of.

00:14:45 Speaker 20

That community.

00:14:46 Speaker 20

There are silencing voices both in the LGBTQIA community and other marginalized groups only serves to further oppress those groups and leads to a rise in youth.

00:14:54 Speaker 20

Suicide attempts in self harming behavior according to the target projects LGBTQ youth.

00:15:00 Speaker 20

Mental health survey. 45% of LGBTQ youth report experiencing threats or sorry.

00:15:09 Speaker 20

Contemplated suicide and nearly one in five transgender and nonbinary youth attempted suicide that is unsolved.

00:15:16 Speaker 20

This rate was higher in LGBTQ youth of color. 36% of LGBTQ youth reported experiencing corruption.

00:15:22 Speaker 20

Of and instances of physical harm.

00:15:25 Speaker 20

Due to their gender identity and sexual orientation.

00:15:28 Speaker 20

By threatening the removal of any content this community is saying it does not support.

00:15:32 Speaker 20

And affirm our LGBTQ youth.

00:15:34 Speaker 20

As someone who found the library to be a place of immeasurable power and a world that often tells children that they are powerless, I will never stop fighting to ensure that this library system retains that state of string.

00:15:46 Speaker 20

If that means attending every single board member board meeting of this library until these challenges stop.

00:15:53 Speaker 20

I will if that means spending my weekends reporting all of these attempts at censorship. So the American Library Association's Office for Intellectual freedom.

00:16:01 Speaker 20

I'm gonna do.

00:16:02 Speaker 20

It, I'm hopeful that this board considers that the outcome of this discussion directly impacts the lives of our LGBTQIA plus patrons, their families, and their loved ones, denying access.

00:16:13 Speaker 20

To content as a violation of all patrons rights and it is detrimental to the future of our democracy and our culture.

00:16:31 Speaker 19

My name is Jimmy Jones and I'm left resident of Lisbon Parish.

00:16:35 Speaker 19

I went to school at Doyle High School and I lived less than a mile away from this library and I am ashamed of that board.

00:16:42 Speaker 10

Member over there.

00:16:48 Speaker 19

And the two people that sat behind me who were rudely making comments, hearing the other two lovely people thing that is a shame on you because.

00:17:01 Speaker 3

OK, just get back on your talk.

00:17:03 Speaker 19

I am on topic.

00:17:05 Speaker 19

It's coming around.

00:17:06 Speaker 19

It's a shame.

00:17:07 Speaker 19

That you will not sit and listen to another argument.

00:17:13 Speaker 19

All these books.

00:17:15 Speaker 19

Are relevant to LGBTQ. I want to understand why you are assuming that this is grooming. None of these are grooming, dating, and set a guide for the 21st King Boy that is a wolf directed teen boys, not children.

00:17:32 Speaker 19

And honestly, I find it very funny you're trying to ban this, but considering the facts of in pregnancy, teen pregnancy has gone down 60% with with.

00:17:46 Speaker 19

With comprehensive sex education and that's the study done by the UM.

00:17:53 Speaker 19

Done by nurse sociation.

00:18:00 Speaker 19

I'll take a 2 bolt.

00:18:01 Speaker 19

If you're trying to ban them.

00:18:04 Speaker 19

I have attempted suicide based off my sexuality.

00:18:08 Speaker 19

If I read his books when I was a kid, I would have made that sense.

00:18:16 Speaker 19

It feels good to be yourself.

00:18:18 Speaker 19

Where was that when I was complimenting completing suicide?

00:18:23 Speaker 19

If I would have known that it's OK to be who I am, I would have done that and now you're trying to ban that for the future kids.

00:18:33 Speaker 19

That's a shame.

00:18:36 Speaker 19

That's a shame.

00:18:37 Speaker 19

What if my suicide attempt was successful?

00:18:43 Speaker 19

That would have been another statistic update children.

00:18:48 Speaker 20

That's a shame.

00:18:51 Speaker 19

Transgender people by Tamara Thompson.

00:18:57 Speaker 19

That's in Hawaii.

00:18:58 Speaker 19

Section not done the.

00:18:59 Speaker 19

Goal and testing the wife is not filtered session.

00:19:04 Speaker 19

If your child is going to the Hawaii section.

00:19:08 Speaker 19

In looking at non fiction books.

00:19:11 Speaker 19

You might even have a conversation with your child about why are they seeking out this information.

00:19:17 Speaker 19

And you might be surprised because you're not teaching your child correctly at home.

00:19:22 Speaker 19

You're not teaching your child the information they want.

00:19:24 Speaker 19

No, you're not teaching them that being having a different gender activities, OK?

00:19:30 Speaker 19

That's a shame.

00:19:31 Speaker 19

That's a shame.

00:19:33 Speaker 19

It's all in the name of protecting children.

00:19:38 Speaker 19

In a study done by the O abuse.

00:19:43 Speaker 19

Organization 21% of child molesters were gay people. The other 80% straight people. Where are the straight versus straight books on this list to protect children? Where are they?

00:20:01 Speaker 19

They're not there.

00:20:02 Speaker 19

You have this false sense of grooming stuff in your head.

00:20:06 Speaker 19

This is not none of these books are inappropriate.

00:20:09 Speaker 19

Kids looking up their gender identity.

00:20:13 Speaker 19

Kids looking up how to have safe sex.

00:20:17 Speaker 19

The chants you're talking about are teenagers.

00:20:22 Speaker 19

By actively banning of what's teaching them about safe sex, you're promoting teen pregnancy.

00:20:32 Speaker 19

In a state with the highest capital foster kids, you're promoting teen pregnancy, more children or your taxpayers.

00:20:42 Speaker 19

And if you care about gay children, why are we talking about?

00:20:46 Speaker 19

Why are we talking about this terrible children?

00:20:49 Speaker 19

Why are we talking about censorship?

00:20:52 Speaker 19

When we should be talking about the mouse Sophie, there's children that go hungry.

00:20:57 Speaker 19

The children that don't have a place to sleep at night.

00:21:01 Speaker 19

What why are we talking about this?

00:21:04 Speaker 19

When there's kids dying in schools, why?

00:21:08 Speaker 19

Why are you trying to control what a child reads?

00:21:12 Speaker 19

When there's bigger issues on the table.

00:21:15 Speaker 19

Controlling what children breed is the first sign of fascism you're trying to control.

00:21:22 Speaker 19

What a.

00:21:22 Speaker 19

Child that shape.

00:21:24 Speaker 19

Every fascist government has tried to censor boats.

00:21:29 Speaker 19

This is a fascist policy and it's a shame that's inclusive Paris schools of lives in Paris Library system.

00:21:37 Speaker 19

A shame.

00:21:39 Speaker 3

This is my fault.

00:21:40 Speaker 3

I forgot to tell you that there's a man out, so could you kind of get you in here we can thank you.

00:21:51 Speaker 3

There is actually in the fog that you know.

00:21:52 Speaker 7

Yes, it's 3,000,000 slides.

00:21:57 Speaker 4

OK.

00:21:58 Speaker 19

I finished all finishing up fruit way.

00:22:04 Speaker 19

You're censoring things that save people's lives. That's a shame.

00:22:11 Speaker 19

Shame on you.

00:22:24 Speaker 21

My name is Daniel Becker.

00:22:26 Speaker 21

I'm actually.

00:22:28 Speaker 22

The Youth Services librarian at The Walking Bridge Librarian.

00:22:33 Speaker 5

I Pierce

00:22:35 Speaker 21

I just I came today just because she not only support the library system that I've worked for that I love, but also to read a letter written on a patron written by a patron who asked me to read it on Perfect Pass that she couldn't be here today.

00:22:50 Speaker 21

It is addressed from the Council.

00:22:54 Speaker 21

Dear Parish Library Council, it has come to my attention that the LP Council is seeking to ban most with LGBTQIA content, so I'm writing so opposed to this change in policy and a longtime patron of the Livingston Parish Library system.

00:23:08 Speaker 21

My 3.

00:23:08 Speaker 21

Even attended story time each week when they were toddlers. Our summers literally revolve around the library's summer reading programs and activities throughout the school year we attended children, team and adult programs, and over the course of the past 16 years, our family has checked out and read thousands upon thousands of books. My children, husband and I are in the library.

00:23:29 Speaker 21

So often that we know.

00:23:30 Speaker 21

The librarians by name.

00:23:32 Speaker 21

And they know our names well now that my babies are all teenagers, they are active in a teen Advisory Board and enjoy working their service hours at the Watson branch as a college English teacher, I routinely recommend that my students seek out the parish library for their research needs and as a lifelong resident.

00:23:49 Speaker 21

I have voted yes for the library tax mileage every single time it has been on the ballot.

00:23:53 Speaker 21

Because I believe so strongly in our Public Library system, and I've made sure for my others to be.

00:23:59 Speaker 21

In short, I am as Pro Public Library as you can get today.

00:24:04 Speaker 21

My argument is simple.

00:24:06 Speaker 21

Censorship and book banning is dangerous.

00:24:08 Speaker 21

It's a simplistic.

00:24:09 Speaker 21

It's a slippery slope that will lead to more censorship than simply the topic you're considering today.

00:24:15 Speaker 21

The public may be clamoring today for this topic to be banned, but what topic will come on the.

00:24:19 Speaker 21

Chopping block next.

00:24:21 Speaker 21

Before you discard my argument as just liberal propaganda, you may need to know I am a very conservative evangelical Christian.

00:24:28 Speaker 21

My family and I attend live.

00:24:30 Speaker 21

Got this church every week.

00:24:32 Speaker 21

I've taught Sunday school for the past 15 years and I teach an inductive adult Bible class weekly.

00:24:37 Speaker 21

My personal views on homosexuality align with my conservative Southern Baptist.

00:24:41 Speaker 21

Bait and the Bible.

00:24:43 Speaker 21

However, my personal convictions are mine, while the Public Library is for everyone and is funded by everyone in the parish Conservative.

00:24:51 Speaker 21

Liberal Christian and non Christian alike.

00:24:53 Speaker 21

Our libraries are safe educational spaces for all within our parish.

00:24:58 Speaker 21

If it's a Christian or morality issue that is making you.

00:25:00 Speaker 21

Center This band of LGBTQIA books and you won't be able to stop.

00:25:04 Speaker 21

With just banning this one topic.

00:25:06 Speaker 21

To weed out the immorality within your walls.

00:25:08 Speaker 21

You'll need to burn at least half the library books because the majority of them includes sex outside of marriage, adultery, theft, lying, murder, violence toward others, and idolatry.

00:25:20 Speaker 21

And let's discuss what happens if you do in fact ban books with even a single LGBTQIA character in them.

00:25:26 Speaker 21

You'll need to throw away my favorite Louise Penny 18 inspectors or branch books since.

00:25:31 Speaker 21

Homosexual couple appeals among her dozens of side characters on the chopping block who go, my son favorite author Rick Riordan and I guess it also means the Harry Potter series must go as well, since JK Rowling has been quite vocal about Albus Dumbledore being gay.

00:25:44 Speaker 21

No matter that, that was only hinted throughout the Harry Potter book.

00:25:48 Speaker 21

If we're sensitive for censoring homosexual content, then those.

00:25:51 Speaker 21

Books must go to.

00:25:53 Speaker 21

List of excluded offers could fill pages, but what I

00:25:55 Speaker 21

Keep coming back.

00:25:56 Speaker 21

To is the.

00:25:56 Speaker 21

Question what topic will come on the chopping block tomorrow is tomorrow?

00:26:00 Speaker 21

The topic to be chopped maybe all pro Christianity authors or books that mention abortion or books that mention.

00:26:07 Speaker 21

I'm so vocal in my support of our parish libraries because they've done what libraries are supposed to do.

00:26:13 Speaker 21

Libraries are supposed to show us worlds outside of our own personal narrow points of view.

00:26:18 Speaker 21

They're supposed to protect the right to read and opposing points of view.

00:26:22 Speaker 21

They're supposed to promote the discussion of ideas, not restrict them.

00:26:25 Speaker 21

They're supposed to be opposed to the censorship.

00:26:27 Speaker 21

Banning of books, I implore you not to open this Pandora's.

00:26:31 Speaker 21

Box of banning books.

00:26:32 Speaker 21

Censorship only begets more censorship, and this limits freedom of thought and expression, ideals which libraries like bars should defend.

00:26:40 Speaker 21

Thank you and sincerely, Jennifer Durham.

00:26:55 Speaker 15

Or maybe I'm not good at public speaking.

00:26:59 Speaker 23

I would just like small, very briefly about represent.

00:27:01 Speaker 23

Patient and wife support.

00:27:02 Speaker 11

Which is worse?

00:27:03 Speaker 23

I have 4 kids my.

00:27:04 Speaker 11

Daughter is 12.

00:27:05 Speaker 5

Like this?

00:27:08 Speaker 23

My daughter has been delighted for anyone who doesn't know that, like does the skin condition where you have patches of skin that lack melanin, so it shows up as white spots on your skin and place in your body and anyone can have this.

00:27:16 Speaker 23

I've adult friends with her leg over now.

00:27:18 Speaker 23

In 30s and still self-conscious about their appearance because they did not see themselves portrayed in media.

00:27:23 Speaker 23

My daughter a few years ago got a Barbie for Christmas from around here that has the leg of my daughter opened his present.

00:27:28 Speaker 23

Pull it out.

00:27:29 Speaker 6

And said she looks like.

00:27:31 Speaker 23

She was excited in that moment she got 2 messages, loud and clear.

00:27:34 Speaker 23

One I am not alone, and two.

00:27:36 Speaker 23

There's nothing wrong with me.

00:27:38 Speaker 23

She did all that, looked like her so she knows she's beautiful because she has seen it.

00:27:41 Speaker 23

That is representation that is the message that every child.

00:27:44 Speaker 23

Is able to hear about themselves.

00:27:45 Speaker 24

You aren't alone.

00:27:46 Speaker 23

And there's nothing.

00:27:46 Speaker 23

Wrong with using a child without little Lego may walk on the toy aisle.

00:27:50 Speaker 23

See this Barbie doll show.

00:27:51 Speaker 23

They may not see themselves, but they will see that it's OK and there's nothing wrong with it.

00:27:55 Speaker 23

They turn the corner and see my daughter.

00:27:56 Speaker 23

They don't know it's normal.

00:27:58 Speaker 23

Just because you don't want your.

00:28:00 Speaker 23

Kids to have access to something doesn't.

00:28:01 Speaker 23

That no child should have access to it.

00:28:03 Speaker 23

Equal access and representation are important because there are gay kids and there are.

00:28:07 Speaker 23

Trans kids.

00:28:08 Speaker 23

If you succeed in removing LGBTQ plus content from the library, children are still going to leave the library and see gay and trans people in their community classmates in their classroom.

00:28:18 Speaker 23

People in the store, and me right here in the library.

00:28:21 Speaker 23

If we could have a book with the Prince and Princess, we could have a book with a friend of Prince.

00:28:24 Speaker 23

If we can have a.

00:28:25 Speaker 23

Book with a mommy and a daddy.

00:28:26 Speaker 23

We could have a book with Mommy and Mommy.

00:28:28 Speaker 23

If we could have a coming of age story.

00:28:30 Speaker 23

For teenagers, that includes heterosexual questions and love interests that tell stories of questions.

00:28:34 Speaker 23

That nearly all teenagers.

00:28:35 Speaker 23

Have we could have those same stories for LGBTQ plus teenagers?

00:28:41 Speaker 23

These kids and teens are already here.

00:28:42 Speaker 23

They exist and they come to this library.

00:28:45 Speaker 23

The only outcome we have if we take LGBTQ plus books off the shelves is that some kids will be denied a message that all kids deserve access to, which is that they have a line.

00:28:54 Speaker 23

And there's nothing wrong with that.

00:28:57 Speaker 10

Second, my name is Anna Wallace.

00:29:08 Speaker 10

I am a near lifelong resident.

00:29:09 Speaker 10

Of Livingston Parish.

00:29:11 Speaker 10

I currently live in Walker and a lot of what everyone has said exactly echoes.

00:29:17 Speaker 10

My sentiment, so I won't.

00:29:20 Speaker 10

You know, beat a dead horse on that.

00:29:21 Speaker 10

It's about 90 degrees in here, so I did want to hone in on the particular book.

00:29:29 Speaker 10

Eating insects, the advice for young teen boys.

00:29:33 Speaker 10

I didn't write down statistics like everybody else.

00:29:36 Speaker 10

But it is no secret that in the age of the Internet our young children, especially boys, are exposed to ***** at a younger and younger age.

00:29:48 Speaker 10

I know the excerpt that was pulled from that book does focus on actual sexual acts.

00:29:55 Speaker 10

But I think as she stated before, the library is a safe space for people to look for answers.

00:30:03 Speaker 10

And by denying you know, young, curious boys that opportunity, we are saying that you know when you're an adult, what comes after doesn't really matter.

00:30:15 Speaker 10

The other statistic I'd like to cite again. I didn't write down a source over 90% of sexual assaults are committed by men.

00:30:23 Speaker 10

And I really think that you know if you actually look up the contents of that book, that's just one page.

00:30:30 Speaker 10

A lot of the other content has to do with consent and respect and how to treat someone that you're having a sexual relationship.

00:30:38 Speaker 10

With I think.

00:30:40 Speaker 10

It you know we, we tend to see.

00:30:42 Speaker 10

Sex as a very taboo.

00:30:43 Speaker 10

Subject, But we all have sex.

00:30:47 Speaker 10

We we do.

00:30:49 Speaker 10

Unless perhaps you're asexual, but it's a normal thing. It's a normal thing to talk about, and if you don't have conversations with young people, then they're set-up to fail.

00:31:00 Speaker 10

They don't know how to ask for consent.

00:31:02 Speaker 10

They don't know how to be respectful, so I appreciate your time.

00:31:05 Speaker 10

Thank you.

00:31:14

Come from.

00:31:14 Speaker 5

Near Livingston up down.

00:31:16 Speaker 23

President for all my lives.

00:31:18 Speaker 25

And also I have voted for the tax to support.

00:31:22 Speaker 25

Love the library.

00:31:24 Speaker 11

So I don't have.

00:31:25 Speaker 25

A big speech like all the.

00:31:26 Speaker 25

Other ones do, but this is the way, and this is that this is how I'm going to.

00:31:32 Speaker 25

Speak to y'all.

00:31:34 Speaker 25

Uhm, I only got this message last night and it was about this specific book, dating and sex. A guide for the 21st century Teen Boy by Andrew Smilers. Whatever, that's my.

00:31:48 Speaker 25

LER

00:31:49 Speaker 25

OK, and I also got.

00:31:54 Speaker 25

Some of the pages that were sent to me.

00:31:59 Speaker 25

Very, very explicit.

00:32:04 Speaker 25

Pictures, illustrations on what and how they should acquire or be with a female.

00:32:16 Speaker 25

And I understand but this.

00:32:17 Speaker 25

Is the problem I am?

00:32:19 Speaker 25

About grandparents

00:32:21 Speaker 25

And this is on the shelf available for a 6th grader to 12th graders.

00:32:30 Speaker 25

6th graders are 11 years old, eleven.

00:32:36 Speaker 25

I would not want my child or my grandchild looking at these explicit.

00:32:42 Speaker 25

Pictures and yes there is technology and yes it is at hand and that is for parents.

00:32:49 Speaker 25

But you say, well you send your child to the library and or even the parent may even go with the child to the library.

00:32:58 Speaker 25

You have this.

00:32:59 Speaker 25

11 year old browsing the shells pulling it.

00:33:03 Speaker 25

Down do they?

00:33:04 Speaker 25

Have to check it out.

00:33:05 Speaker 25

No, they don't have to check it out.

00:33:08 Speaker 26

All they have to do.

00:33:09 Speaker 25

Is open it up and browse it right there where they're at.

00:33:13 Speaker 18

There it is in their face.

00:33:15 Speaker 25

So I'm not saying.

00:33:16 Speaker 25

That you ban.

00:33:18 Speaker 25

Books on any subject or on any people, because we are all equal and we are all loved in the eyes of God.

00:33:27 Speaker 7

And that's the way.

00:33:28 Speaker 24

It should be.

00:33:31 Speaker 25

I think that this should not be able.

00:33:35 Speaker 25

Should they not be put on the shelf for eight an 11 year old to reach up there and pull down, it should be put in a more categorized.

00:33:45 Speaker 25

Uhm shelf for older children.

00:33:48 Speaker 25

17 year olds, fine, adults fine, but I just I'm speaking on behalf of my grandchildren.

00:33:58 Speaker 25

The world is all.

00:34:00 Speaker 25

Great and that is up to the parents, how they raise their children and what standards, what they teach them morals.

00:34:08 Speaker 25

Yes there are morals and people do adhere to morals.

00:34:13 Speaker 25

So yes, I'm upset about this.

00:34:16 Speaker 25

I would not want my grandchild coming in here.

00:34:18 Speaker 25

Pulling it off, just pulling it down, browsing it.

00:34:22 Speaker 25

They don't have to check it out like I said.

00:34:24 Speaker 25

This it's in my.

00:34:25 Speaker 25

Face, let me look at it all these explicit.

00:34:30 Speaker 25

I don't know if y'all seen.

00:34:31 Speaker 25

The pages, but it's too.

00:34:33 Speaker 25

Explicit for an 11 year old to have in their possession and again.

00:34:39 Speaker 25

I don't have all the speeches and I don't have all the PHD's, but I am a grandparent and I do matter just like the rest of everyone.

00:34:52 Speaker 25

Thank you.

00:35:01 Speaker 22

My name is autumn.

00:35:02 Speaker 11

I'm from Walker. I graduated from Walker High in 2019.

00:35:06 Speaker 26

I started having sexual comments made about my body in Melbourne.

00:35:08 Speaker 4

That's good.

00:35:10 Speaker 26

I was assaulted at 15 by Random Boy on school bus and I was assaulted again at 16 by another student that was older.

00:35:20 Speaker 26

And I did.

00:35:22 Speaker 26

I know that they are.

00:35:24 Speaker 26

Explicit in nature, but one thing that we need to know is that our kids are being sexual regardless of what we want when they're being children.

00:35:34 Speaker 26

Nothing will stop that.

00:35:37 Speaker 26

By teaching consent by teaching what's appropriate by teaching how to interact with others by teaching representation you prevent assault on your students in the school system.

00:35:51 Speaker 26

I still as a 21 year.

00:35:53 Speaker 26

Old adult that graduated?

00:35:55 Speaker 26

High school in.

00:35:55 Speaker 26

2019 still get flashbacks and I still have troubles with my partners today because I was assaulted by someone that never got caught and went on to rape another student at the same high school at a dance.

00:36:10 Speaker 26

It is important that you teach consent.

00:36:13 Speaker 26

That you teach identity and that you teach representation.

00:36:17 Speaker 26

The assault rate for queer students and for queer people.

00:36:22 Speaker 26

It's much higher, much, much higher than your average student.

00:36:27 Speaker 26

I happen to be cleared.

00:36:29 Speaker 26

I got assaulted by two.

00:36:31 Speaker 26

I got assaulted by a boy that was younger than me and I got assaulted by another boy.

00:36:36 Speaker 26

That was two years older than me who was 18.

00:36:40 Speaker 26

And I was too scared to go to my mother to tell her about it until about a year.

00:36:44 Speaker 26

Ago because I didn't have the resources that let me know that things like this happen.

00:36:51 Speaker 26

We didn't have that available where it was.

00:36:56 Speaker 26

It is important.

00:36:56 Speaker 26

To have that available to future girls.

00:37:00 Speaker 26

And in future boys and future, anyone that is a child so they know how to interact with other students respectfully, they know not to rape.

00:37:09 Speaker 6

They know how.

00:37:09 Speaker 26

To have sexual relations with others and be respected.

00:37:12 Speaker 26

They know their own sexuality and their own gender and.

00:37:15 Speaker 26

They have it figured out.

00:37:17 Speaker 26

This is important if we don't have it.

00:37:20 Speaker 26

Insults like mines thing happening.

00:37:24 Speaker 26

Sexual comments that are inappropriate.

00:37:25 Speaker 26

Looking things that happen.

00:37:27 Speaker 26

If we don't tell them how to be.

00:37:31 Speaker 23

Checked with another person.

00:37:32 Speaker 26

They have no examples.

00:37:33 Speaker 24

For them and the worst things come from it.

00:37:41 Speaker 16

Hello my name is Gabby launcher.

00:37:47 Speaker 16

I live right down the.

00:37:48 Speaker 16

Street from here.

00:37:49 Speaker 19

And I sent a picture of this library for about 15 years.

00:37:53 Speaker 19

I've grown up in here and I have found a lot of scaphism in here because I grew up knowing I was a lesbian.

00:38:00 Speaker 19

From a very young age, and as you know we are in rural South Louisiana and that's not an easy thing to grow up doing.

00:38:10 Speaker 19

I do believe that we should not be in these books because there.

00:38:14 Speaker 19

Are people like?

00:38:15 Speaker 19

Me, who grew up hearing slurs, hearing death threats against my friends who work here.

00:38:20 Speaker 19

It's scary, it's we feel like we don't belong.

00:38:24 Speaker 19

We feel like the world is against us and every day just surviving can be a challenge.

00:38:31 Speaker 19

So to see ourselves in books like these it.

00:38:34 Speaker 19

Can do more.

00:38:34 Speaker 19

Than you could ever imagine it.

00:38:36 Speaker 19

Makes us feel like.

00:38:37 Speaker 19

We do belong here and we.

00:38:39 Speaker 19

Have a Prince in this world.

00:38:41 Speaker 19

And after the topic of books with sexual education, I am aware that there are people who don't want their children to see these books, and that's understandable.

00:38:51 Speaker 19

The material can be seen as offensive, but what I have to say is that children do need to understand consent.

00:39:00 Speaker 19

When I was six I was molested by one of my classmates.

00:39:05 Speaker 19

And this impacted me.

00:39:07 Speaker 19

For the rest of my life.

00:39:09 Speaker 19

And growing up as an openly queer person, I faced a lot of people who didn't believe I was clear and who didn't.

00:39:19 Speaker 5

Want to accept that?

00:39:21 Speaker 19

Playing in high school, my best friend who.

00:39:26 Speaker 19

Repeatedly sexually assaulted.

00:39:27 Speaker 19

Me in attempt to turn me straight.

00:39:30 Speaker 19

And deep in my heart, I believe that it's because.

00:39:35 Speaker 19

He didn't understand.

00:39:36 Speaker 19

Consent 'cause he would never talk that and.

00:39:40 Speaker 19

I I think it's just it's bad we can't.

00:39:43 Speaker 19

Remove these books from the shelves because we're wrong.

00:39:46 Speaker 19

Moving this knowledge from our teams, we're hurting people by not providing the education they need because every day there are there are kids like me in the system like in the school systems who are suffering.

00:39:59 Speaker 27

At the hands.

00:39:59 Speaker 19

Of people who don't understand consent and the boys are suffering too because they're forming these unhealthy relationships and believing that's a way that.

00:40:07 Speaker 19

Things should be.

00:40:08 Speaker 19

And thus I think we should keep these books in.

00:40:11 Speaker 19

It's really important for queer people to see ourselves represented with her mental health.

00:40:15 Speaker 19

It's good for our belonging.

00:40:17 Speaker 19

It's good for us to understand what we deserve, what we need, and that we shouldn't allow ourselves to be heard by people in order to feel like we belong.

00:40:26 Speaker 19

So thank you all for listening.

00:40:35 Speaker 28

Hello my name.

00:40:37 Speaker 18

Is Lori Colley?

00:40:38 Speaker 8

I am a lifelong resident in Livingston Parish.

00:40:41 Speaker 15

Longer required educated.

00:40:43 Speaker 8

I'm I'm just saying that I think.

00:40:46 Speaker 8

She ate and now the people who had come here today and said, you know what I'm at?

00:40:51 Speaker 8

Right now you don't know the courage.

00:40:54 Speaker 8

It takes to stand up and say that.

00:40:57 Speaker 8

I know I've seen kids like that and I'm.

00:41:00 Speaker 8

Gonna tell you.

00:41:01 Speaker 8

I'm grandmother other parents with 60.

00:41:04 Speaker 8

Two years old and I remember the kids when.

00:41:07 Speaker 8

I was growing up.

00:41:08 Speaker 8

You know what they?

00:41:08 Speaker 8

Were gay.

00:41:09 Speaker 8

But they don't.

00:41:10 Speaker 8

Like dirt and they were hiding in closets because everybody else in general.

00:41:14 Speaker 8

And I appreciate their childhood.

00:41:16 Speaker 13

First try.

00:41:18 Speaker 8

But I also know.

00:41:18 Speaker 8

They were ignorant.

00:41:19 Speaker 18

They thought they.

00:41:20 Speaker 8

Were period they thought they're just been wrong.

00:41:22 Speaker 8

We had no.

00:41:23 Speaker 8

Way to find.

00:41:23 Speaker 4

We recently featured.

00:41:24 Speaker 18

That knowledge?

00:41:26 Speaker 23

You said something.

00:41:27 Speaker 8

When they started this and we said.

00:41:31 Speaker 8

That's OK.

00:41:33 Speaker 8

We all have one.

00:41:38 Speaker 10

But how we get some one of the most?

00:41:41 Speaker 8

Important things we can give our.

00:41:42 Speaker 8

Children is not.

00:41:44 Speaker 8

Knowledge, think to read.

00:41:46 Speaker 9

Easy to grow.

00:41:48 Speaker 8

To understand who they are.

00:41:50 Speaker 8

And to become.

00:41:51 Speaker 8

Whoever they want to be, 'cause you're not gonna change.

00:41:55 Speaker 8

It's not gonna work.

00:41:57 Speaker 6

Libraries were part of that process, yeah?

00:42:00 Speaker 8

I taught school for many years for me to.

00:42:02 Speaker 8

Come into a place with books is almost like a sanctuary.

00:42:07 Speaker 8

They're just amazing.

00:42:09 Speaker 8

I mean there's something wonderful you come into this building.

00:42:12 Speaker 8

You're surrounded by books that teach you later.

00:42:15 Speaker 8

They transport you to other places when you don't want to be in this place.

00:42:20 Speaker 8

They let you experience a world beyond those doors.

00:42:24 Speaker 8

This parish, this state.

00:42:27 Speaker 8

You can go anywhere.

00:42:29 Speaker 8

Or they just might help you find a place in the.

00:42:32 Speaker 8

World to find out.

00:42:33 Speaker 8

You know what you're somebody else just like me.

00:42:38 Speaker 25

Hey, I like the.

00:42:40 Speaker 8

Form I've met farmers through books.

00:42:42 Speaker 8

I want to see my OK.

00:42:46

It's OK.

00:42:48 Speaker 8

My grandson is old enough.

00:42:52 Speaker 8

We will have those discussions just like that people find prints.

00:42:56 Speaker 8

And they will show.
00:42:57 Speaker 8
And yarn we look at.
00:43:01 Speaker 8
'cause you know what everywhere you go.
00:43:03 Speaker 8
Kids gonna have.
00:43:03 Speaker 8
A book and the best button right now will tell you.
00:43:06 Speaker 8
Right now you.
00:43:06 Speaker 27
Know the book is going to.
00:43:07 Speaker 8
Be read more than any other average tonight.
00:43:10 Speaker 8
Second kid not to do it, and that's what.
00:43:16 Speaker 25
They're going to do.
00:43:17 Speaker 8
That book is gonna be well.
00:43:18 Speaker 8
Read and so in the restrooms on your lips.
00:43:22 Speaker 23
It's too naked.
00:43:23 Speaker 8
Human and the nature of kids.
00:43:25 Speaker 8
Then if you want.
00:43:26 Speaker 8
To know anything about sex, go.
00:43:28 Speaker 8
Ask for kids.
00:43:28 Speaker 8
They already know.
00:43:30 Speaker 8
They probably know the wrong thing.
00:43:32 Speaker 8
What they know.
00:43:34 Speaker 8
It's a lot going on and we can stick our hands, the sandals.
00:43:38 Speaker 8
It doesn't happen.
00:43:39 Speaker 8
But we can say, you know.
00:43:40 Speaker 3
Get some education here.
00:43:42 Speaker 8

So that they don't have.
00:43:43 Speaker 8
The consequences of as these.
00:43:45 Speaker 8
Young women have talked about being assaulted.
00:43:49 Speaker 8
Or being a queer child.
00:43:51 Speaker 8
Who doesn't know what to do?
00:43:53 Speaker 8
Or how to go and ask?
00:43:55 Speaker 8
Or something or fine and full.
00:43:57 Speaker 8
That explains to you you're not different, you're just like this.
00:44:03 Speaker 8
Censorship does the exact opposite of.
00:44:05 Speaker 8
Opening the doors, it closes them.
00:44:07 Speaker 8
To tell someone else, especially someone else's child.
00:44:12 Speaker 8
What they have to read, study, think based.
00:44:16 Speaker 8
On our own.
00:44:17 Speaker 8
Personal grief is the opening to door opening.
00:44:21 Speaker 8
The door to.
00:44:21 Speaker 8
Hate prejudice vehicles.
00:44:24 Speaker 8
The library is a public place that's paid for.
00:44:26 Speaker 8
With public tax dollars, I know I.
00:44:29 Speaker 8
Vote yes on every tax.
00:44:31 Speaker 8
Activision season 2 my bug so lonely here.
00:44:36 Speaker 8
To tell someone the public.
00:44:39 Speaker 8
Anyone in the public, and that's who.
00:44:41 Speaker 8
You are that you are not.
00:44:43 Speaker 8
Welcome, basically 'cause that's what you tell what you say.
00:44:48 Speaker 8

Quotes and by the way, when you move.
00:44:50 Speaker 8
Them into a different.
00:44:51 Speaker 15
Collection or you?
00:44:51 Speaker 8
Don't have them on your.
00:44:52 Speaker 8
Shelf you're telling them that?
00:44:54 Speaker 8
OK, you're saying to them, you know?
00:44:56 Speaker 30
This book is.
00:44:57 Speaker 8
Not approved.
00:44:58
We need to.
00:44:58 Speaker 8
Take this away.
00:44:58 Speaker 8
Well, that's telling the kid I'm not.
00:45:00 Speaker 8
Approaching something, I'm doing it wrong.
00:45:04 Speaker 8
Now that's the in synthesis.
00:45:06 Speaker 9
Of one library.
00:45:08 Speaker 8
Once the door of ignorance and intolerance.
00:45:11 Speaker 5
Americans seals is open.
00:45:13 Speaker 8
It tends to get hard to close.
00:45:16 Speaker 8
My husband and I had a discussion.
00:45:17 Speaker 3
Stash it.
00:45:18 Speaker 8
And I just.
00:45:18 Speaker 8
Like to say for the.
00:45:19 Speaker 8
Record my husband and I do not share the same political beliefs, right?
00:45:24 Speaker 8
Wing conservative, as I have not.
00:45:26 Speaker 8
You know what he said today?
00:45:28 Speaker 8

He said, Laurie, when does it stop?
00:45:30 Speaker 8
You know?
00:45:32 Speaker 8
Maybe if I'm Christian.
00:45:35 Speaker 8
What I wanted was.
00:45:38 Speaker 8
Which means he was shot only Appleton are.
00:45:40 Speaker 10
Christians or is high.
00:45:42 Speaker 8
In Catholic, I don't have books about.
00:45:45 Speaker 8
France and we said never happened.
00:45:48 Speaker 8
You know what has he just happened?
00:45:51 Speaker 8
All you have to do is go read.
00:45:53 Speaker 8
Some really really.
00:45:54 Speaker 8
Graphic awful books about the Holocaust.
00:45:59 Speaker 8
You want to get this.
00:46:00 Speaker 8
Just go look at those pictures.
00:46:03 Speaker 8
And you know what?
00:46:04 Speaker 8
We all should.
00:46:05 Speaker 8
Everyone should still look at.
00:46:07 Speaker 8
Their graphic if you think sex is graphic.
00:46:09 Speaker 8
No seeing bodies.
00:46:11 Speaker 15
Pulled apart because they could.
00:46:13 Speaker 8
Dragging across the ground is pretty graphic.
00:46:16 Speaker 8
Sex was reasonable.
00:46:19 Speaker 8
So I'm gonna.
00:46:20 Speaker 8
Ask you please.
00:46:21 Speaker 31

Don't start bringing Tyler.

00:46:22 Speaker 8

Into this place.

00:46:23 Speaker 8

This place and put some money.

00:46:26 Speaker 8

I'll quote another.

00:46:27 Speaker 8

Very conservative Republican President Dwight D Eisenhower said, don't join book burns.

00:46:35 Speaker 8

Don't be afraid to show your library and the free book, so I'm going to ask.

00:46:43 Speaker 8

Yeah, tonight I stand against the book.

00:46:45 Speaker 8

Firms 9.

00:46:48 Speaker 8

It starts with one.

00:46:50 Speaker 15

It starts anymore.

00:46:52 Speaker 8

And I'd ask you to consider that.

00:46:54 Speaker 8

OK, consider that and just remember.

00:46:59 Speaker 30

You can't stop it.

00:47:01 Speaker 8

Every one of your books, your kids you know.

00:47:05 Speaker 8

They're gonna read it and they're gonna.

00:47:07 Speaker 15

Hit from you.

00:47:08 Speaker 15

OK, but they're gonna read it.

00:47:10 Speaker 21

Is if you know.

00:47:11 Speaker 5

What he's doing.

00:47:12 Speaker 8

Feet deserve and I'm gonna say.

00:47:14 Speaker 8

Thank you, you're wonderful.

00:47:15 Speaker 8

I just depressed.

00:47:17 Speaker 5

And I got a little bit.

00:47:33 Speaker 32

Alright, since you refuse me, nobody else.

00:47:36 Speaker 32

My name is Tommy Hennessy.

00:47:38 Speaker 31

Born and raised in this parish, I graduated.

00:47:40 Speaker 32

From Dumb Springs High School in 1998.

00:47:43 Speaker 14

Still live here today.

00:47:45 Speaker 32

Don't worry, jail something.

00:47:47 Speaker 32

The majority of males and females have fantasies of some socio sexual activity while they masturbate.

00:47:54 Speaker 32

The fantasy not infrequently involves idealized sexual partners and activities that the individual has not.

00:48:00 Speaker 32

Experience and might even avoid in real life since the ***** person is in sole control of areas that are stimulated the degree.

00:48:09 Speaker 32

Of pressure and.

00:48:10 Speaker 32

The rapidity of movement ***** is often more effective in producing sexual arousal and orgasm than his socio sexual activity, during which the stimulation.

00:48:21 Speaker 32

Is determined to some degree by one partner.

00:48:26 Speaker 32

That's the Encyclopedia Britannica divorced and that one too.

00:48:45 Speaker 18

Obviously I'm opposed.

00:48:48 Speaker 18

I think that uh library stands to provide information and parents stand through controlling for information their children receive and how they process.

00:49:00 Speaker 18

So what we know in history they've got prohibitions, doesn't program.

00:49:08 Speaker 18

Prohibition, as was mentioned before, will likely.

00:49:11 Speaker 18

Lead to them high.

00:49:14 Speaker 18

That's not what you.

00:49:15 Speaker 18

Want as a?

00:49:16 Speaker 18

Parent, I'm not a parent.

00:49:17 Speaker 18

But I've been around so good.

00:49:18 Speaker 18

Enough, and I know enough.

00:49:19 Speaker 5

About child development.

00:49:20 Speaker 15
Through my work.

00:49:21 Speaker 8
That it's important to be open with your children.

00:49:25 Speaker 18
Now, if you don't want them to.

00:49:27
Read these books.

00:49:28 Speaker 18
That's part of being open with them.

00:49:30 Speaker 18
And if you do want to ban it in your own.

00:49:32 Speaker 18
Home that is your prerogative.

00:49:35 Speaker 18
However, the banning it's a Public Library isn't appropriate if.

00:49:40 Speaker 18
We're talking about.

00:49:41 Speaker 18
Inappropriate that is truly a group.

00:49:46 Speaker 18
Let's see I.

00:49:46 Speaker 18
Do have a?

00:49:47 Speaker 18
Yeah, I apologize.

00:49:50 Speaker 23
There's probably a little bit of a concept of.

00:49:54 Speaker 18
Well, this all applies to LGBTQIA people.

00:49:57 Speaker 18
And this doesn't apply.

00:49:57 Speaker 18
My kid, he was not that straight.

00:49:59 Speaker 18
There's no way.

00:50:00 Speaker 18
Well, there are clones of people.

00:50:02 Speaker 18
I'm showing this right now so.

00:50:03 Speaker 18
We can tell you that.

00:50:05 Speaker 18
My hours there are lot of people wearing the garment.

00:50:09 Speaker 18
And they're like even struggle, but.

00:50:11 Speaker 18
And not being able to have.

00:50:12 Speaker 18

That open discussion with.

00:50:14 Speaker 18

Themselves or other people who are their friends and typically their parents and their family.

00:50:22 Speaker 18

There's an issue with access.

00:50:24 Speaker 18

In the library itself, a child was being able to browse and find us again.

00:50:30 Speaker 22

I have to question.

00:50:32 Speaker 22

I know it's a struggle.

00:50:33 Speaker 18

In here because.

00:50:34 Speaker 18

You always have to watch.

00:50:35 Speaker 18

Them and what they're doing and how things are going.

00:50:38 Speaker 18

And there's so much stuff to filter.

00:50:41 Speaker 18

For them.

00:50:43 Speaker 18

Shield for them.

00:50:46 Speaker 18

Being supervisor the library, they would know there is a relation of issue, my access.

00:50:51 Speaker 18

I don't think 11 or I.

00:50:52 Speaker 4

End Quote.

00:50:52 Speaker 18

Should necessarily read everything that there is about.

00:50:55 Speaker 18

The Holocaust.

00:50:56 Speaker 18

I don't think they're ready for it.

00:50:58 Speaker 18

I don't think that they're ready for a.

00:51:00 Speaker 18

Lot of the adult section modes.

00:51:02 Speaker 18

But a young adults

00:51:03 Speaker 18

A teenager is absolutely.

00:51:05 Speaker 18

For information about dating and sex.

00:51:08 Speaker 18

An 11 year old.

00:51:09 Speaker 18

Is absolutely ready for information about dating and sex.

00:51:15 Speaker 18

I personally know someone who got pregnant at 11/5 whole world and they.

00:51:21 Speaker 22

Didn't know what they were doing.

00:51:22 Speaker 18

Because no one had that discussion.

00:51:23 Speaker 18

With him they did not.

00:51:25 Speaker 18

Have access to that information.

00:51:26 Speaker 18

My great.

00:51:27 Speaker 18

I was of a generation where we did have issues with bamboo.

00:51:32 Speaker 18

And Mike Schools was one that had issues with that.

00:51:35 Speaker 18

And I I really do think that upgradeable.

00:51:40 Speaker 18

And the conversations were having home, obviously, and this is where we are.

00:51:46 Speaker 18

And in banning these conversations and discussion about these things.

00:51:50 Speaker 18

I, I think it's really telling that he first.

00:51:55 Speaker 18

Is April out dating his ex 14 years?

00:52:00 Speaker 18

As then that is a problem.

00:52:02 Speaker 18

And we talk about the explicit images.

00:52:05 Speaker 18

In the book.

00:52:06 Speaker 18

Monkey sex and body parts.

00:52:09 Speaker 18

Aren't kind of explicit and we can't.

00:52:12 Speaker 18

Have these discussions.

00:52:13 Speaker 18

About these cities with children of appropriate age.

00:52:15 Speaker 18

Let's be brave.

00:52:17 Speaker 18

We know girls that start their period at 9:00.

00:52:20 Speaker 18

If we aren't having that period.

00:52:22 Speaker 4

One second.

00:52:23 Speaker 22

Every woman in.

00:52:24 Speaker 18

This room knows that.

00:52:26 Speaker 18

You can be really explicit when you're.

00:52:27 Speaker 18

Learning about the process involved.

00:52:29 Speaker 18

And we need ban things.

00:52:31 Speaker 18

Based on personal interpretations of appropriateness or explicitness, rather than the actual.

00:52:37 Speaker 18

Information provided and the impact of that information was public.

00:52:42 Speaker 18

If we're having.

00:52:43 Speaker 18

Issues with personal morality impacting public knowledge.

00:52:47 Speaker 18

And that's.

00:52:49 Speaker 18

Probation violation.

00:52:52 Speaker 18

I could ramble on for.

00:52:53 Speaker 18

A bit, I'm sure there are other people there.

00:53:03 Speaker 12

Ma'am, our record required by state their name and where they're from.

00:53:07 Speaker 22

I'm Becky.

00:53:09 Speaker 12

OK, perfect and if everybody can.

00:53:10 Speaker 12

Just remember, please continue.

00:53:12 Speaker 24

Then elder, I am from Denver Springs, Louisiana.

00:53:14 Speaker 24

I burned down.

00:53:16 Speaker 24

Springs High school.

00:53:21 Speaker 24

Briefly mention the book that everyone specifically keeps.

00:53:25 Speaker 24

Talking about if none.

00:53:26 Speaker 23

Of you are aware it is.

00:53:27 Speaker 24
Called dating and sets a guide.

00:53:29 Speaker 24
To the 21st century team.

00:53:31 Speaker 24
Sorry, there are other books.

00:53:33 Speaker 24
On this list I just wanted to speak specifically.

00:53:35 Speaker 24
On this one, since being

00:53:36 Speaker 24
Piping it was published by the American Psychological Association is 2.

00:53:41 Speaker 24
1016 by Andrew P.

00:53:44 Speaker 24
This is meiler not 100% sure.

00:53:46 Speaker 24
On that, don't quote me on that.

00:53:48 Speaker 24
He is has a.

00:53:49 Speaker 24
Masters degree in clinical psychology and a pH D in developmental psychology.

00:53:56 Speaker 24
The book itself has won a.

00:54:00 Speaker 24
Bronze medal for young adult nonfiction 2016. The Foreword Indies Book Awards. It is a silver award winner in the Eureka Children, nonfiction or worse.

00:54:11 Speaker 25
And is the 2000.

00:54:12 Speaker 24
17 National Indie Excellence Award winner for Young Adult Nonfiction, among among other accolades.

00:54:20 Speaker 24
And it has been reviewed.

00:54:21 Speaker 24
Positively, I don't know if they were.

00:54:23 Speaker 24
Starred or?

00:54:24 Speaker 3
Not, you know.

00:54:25 Speaker 24
Enroute library world by school, library journal and publishers Weekly and many many other.

00:54:35 Speaker 24
Resources that library is used to put.

00:54:38 Speaker 18
Those words into library.

00:54:39 Speaker 2
So I.

00:54:39 Speaker 19

Just wanted to clarify what this book was and.

00:54:42 Speaker 24

Who it was written by, who it was published by.

00:54:43 Speaker 24

And it's not an article on the end.

00:55:01 Speaker 29

Hey Michael Lunsford citizens, Fernie Louisiana and office in baton replaying members all over the state, we've seen.

00:55:08 Speaker 29

Including most of the Earth.

00:55:12 Speaker 29

This is finishing this is.

00:55:14 Speaker 5

Going to be.

00:55:14 Speaker 30

Coming up all over the state of.

00:55:15 Speaker 29

Louisiana this is actually coming.

00:55:17

Up all over.

00:55:17 Speaker 29

The country right now so.

00:55:20 Speaker 5

I guess buckle up, apologize this stupid way, it's gonna be.

00:55:25 Speaker 29

And I do.

00:55:25 Speaker 29

I want to take a moment if I can to say thank you to everybody talking.

00:55:29 Speaker 29

You guys have been tremendous.

00:55:30 Speaker 29

I tell you I've had meetings like this and it's rambunctious and mess and y'all have been really grill.

00:55:38 Speaker 29

So that's how democracy happens.

00:55:41 Speaker 29

We all come together, we all have.

00:55:43 Speaker 29

Opinions and Allstate?

00:55:44 Speaker 29

Our opinions.

00:55:47 Speaker 29

You know, even tempered even tone.

00:55:48 Speaker 1

And and we come to.

00:55:50 Speaker 29

An agreement or we don't, but.

00:55:51 Speaker 29

At least we're, you know.

00:55:53 Speaker 29
We're not wanting to.

00:55:53 Speaker 29
Choke each other.

00:55:54 Speaker 29
By the end of the night, and.

00:55:55 Speaker 29
I just wanted to say thank you for that.

00:55:58 Speaker 29
So a couple of things are that bother me about this.

00:56:02 Speaker 14
Project this evening.

00:56:04 Speaker 29
'cause I gotta copy the agenda?

00:56:06 Speaker 29
Arabia Chan.

00:56:10 Speaker 4
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00:56:13
Book content.

00:56:15 Speaker 29
And a pic of himself.

00:56:18 Speaker 30
Now, who in the world?

00:56:20 Speaker 29
In the state.

00:56:20 Speaker 29
Louisiana is looking at.

00:56:22 Speaker 29
All 64 Parish Library board control meeting agendas that generally come out 48 hours ahead of time.

00:56:29 Speaker 29
And can get together a large group of political activists to come here and.

00:56:34 Speaker 29
Fight, how does that happen with two words book content?

00:56:40 Speaker 29
I didn't see LBGTO.

00:56:42 Speaker 29
I didn't see sexual content.

00:56:45 Speaker 4
All right?

00:56:45 Speaker 29
I didn't see anything.

00:56:48 Speaker 29
So the question is how did all of this happen?

00:56:52 Speaker 29
I could promise you it wasn't me.

00:56:55 Speaker 29
I did tell a soul I was coming.

00:56:57 Speaker 29

So I think it's very telling that we have people here from the Louisiana Library.

00:57:05 Speaker 29

And they're very friendly with your administration.

00:57:08 Speaker 29

I'll also say.

00:57:11 Speaker 29

That it is the.

00:57:12 Speaker 29

Job of the library director and the library administration.

00:57:16 Speaker 29

To make the board look good.

00:57:18 Speaker 29

That is a primary.

00:57:20 Speaker 29

It's not to listen to the.

00:57:21 Speaker 29

Library Association American Library Association not to listen to.

00:57:25 Speaker 29

The Louisiana State Library.

00:57:27 Speaker 29

They answered you.

00:57:28 Speaker 29

That's their job.

00:57:30 Speaker 29

They in fact they had their job because at some point in the past this board voted to make them director and put them in charge.

00:57:39 Speaker 29

That all of this is happening right now, I think is an indictment on the administration that has been put in place by this board.

00:57:46 Speaker 29

In fact, I've been.

00:57:47 Speaker 29

Trying to get from GMA for over a week.

00:57:49 Speaker 29

We've been trying to have a meeting with him.

00:57:51 Speaker 29

He's ignored all of our phone calls.

00:57:52 Speaker 29

And emails or Howard.

00:57:54 Speaker 29

My assistants tried to get in touch so I've been.

00:57:56 Speaker 29

Very disappointed that I had to come today.

00:57:57 Speaker 4

Right?

00:57:59 Speaker 29

Without having met him first, let's talk about some of these things.

00:58:02 Speaker 29

But you know?

00:58:03 Speaker 29

All this is lost and there is.

00:58:04 Speaker 29

Still an opportunity to to pull this.

00:58:06 Speaker 29

Back into branch without this getting out of hand and.

00:58:10

How do we do?

00:58:11 Speaker 29

That is, there are policies that you have in place now absolutely, but the opportunity to just review what you have in your library is an agent.

00:58:19 Speaker 29

Version I think is a reasonable reasonable thing to ask and.

00:58:23 Speaker 29

Let me just.

00:58:24 Speaker 29

Move through, but I.

00:58:25 Speaker 29

Like to wait towards the end, I don't know.

00:58:27 Speaker 31

If I'll be last.

00:58:28 Speaker 29

But so here's some of the talk.

00:58:30 Speaker 29

Points because they're always the same everywhere I go.

00:58:32 Speaker 29

It's always book fan.

00:58:33 Speaker 29

It's always since St.

00:58:34 Speaker 29

Yeah, it's always I don't.

00:58:37 Speaker 33

Really other words were used.

00:58:40 Speaker 29

Yeah, banning books, censorship, burning.

00:58:42 Speaker 29

Books, all of that.

00:58:43 Speaker 29

Stuff so I have some rhetorical questions.

00:58:45 Speaker 29

Already know the.

00:58:45 Speaker 29

Answer to these.

00:58:46 Speaker 30

By the way.

00:58:47 Speaker 29

But I'm going to present them to the board into the director.

00:58:52 Speaker 29

Just for the benefit of the reviewer.

00:58:55 Speaker 29

If there is.

00:58:56 Speaker 29

A book that is not in the library.

00:58:58 Speaker 29

Can I still get caught before?

00:59:01 Speaker 29

The answer is yes, I get.

00:59:02 Speaker 29

Copied any book I like.

00:59:04 Speaker 29

I can pick up the phone and call my local library and say, hey, I was on the website today.

00:59:08 Speaker 14

I was looking.

00:59:08 Speaker 29

For this specific book.

00:59:09 Speaker 29

You don't have it.

00:59:11 Speaker 29

How can I get it?

00:59:12 Speaker 29

They said, well, no problem, I'll I'll.

00:59:13 Speaker 29

Do an interlibrary loan and get it here in a couple days.

00:59:15 Speaker 29

And the book comes.

00:59:16 Speaker 30

In so easy.

00:59:18 Speaker 29

It's really amazing.

00:59:19 Speaker 29

I've actually done this a number of times at the genealogy research on our family tree.

00:59:24 Speaker 29

My wife, family tree, and the only way I could get these books from Virginia and other places was interlibrary loan.

00:59:24 Speaker 9

Mostly new.

00:59:29 Speaker 29

It was fantastic.

00:59:31 Speaker 29

Sometimes took a week to come.

00:59:32 Speaker 29

In but still I have.

00:59:33 Speaker 29

The availability flow, so to say.

00:59:36 Speaker 29

If the books not in the libraries banning it is kind of ridiculous because I got books that weren't in the library, they're not banned.

00:59:44 Speaker 29

They're just.

00:59:44 Speaker 29

You can't have.

00:59:45 Speaker 29

Every book in every library, right?

00:59:45 Speaker 4

Move your.

00:59:46 Speaker 29

That just doesn't.

00:59:48 Speaker 29

You don't have enough space.

00:59:49 Speaker 29

The library Congress doesn't.

00:59:51 Speaker 9

Need to have every book right?

00:59:53 Speaker 29

So moving a book from the children section next to you know.

00:59:58 Speaker 29

The cat in the hat or an answer.

01:00:00 Speaker 29

Mystery novels to the adults section I think is reasonable and look out I.

01:00:04 Speaker 29

Don't know if.

01:00:04 Speaker 29

Anybody has children?

01:00:06 Speaker 34

Here, how do you plan to read a little bit?

01:00:07 Speaker 29

Over handout, so if y'all want to like, step out that.

01:00:11 Speaker 30

Wouldn't be.

01:00:12 Speaker 29

Ill advised I'm going to get to that.

01:00:14 Speaker 29

That's gonna be the last thing I did.

01:00:15 Speaker 7

Remember Sir, we have the three minutes.

01:00:16 Speaker 29

But all right?

01:00:18 Speaker 29

Well I get 3 minutes everybody.

01:00:19 Speaker 29

Else got 15 alright.

01:00:20 Speaker 14

But the.

01:00:21 Speaker 29

One of the things I heard this is the age of the Internet.

01:00:25 Speaker 29

I'm hearing this all over.

01:00:25 Speaker 29

You can only, we can't ban books here because they'll just get it someplace else.

01:00:30 Speaker 29

Well, here's another rhetorical question, can.

01:00:32 Speaker 29

I go and watch.

01:00:33 Speaker 29

***** on one of the computers in this facility.

01:00:37 Speaker 29

The answer is no.

01:00:38 Speaker 29

'cause there's an Internet?

01:00:39 Speaker 29

Blocker because it's inappropriate.

01:00:41 Speaker 34

It's happening right here in the.

01:00:42 Speaker 29

Launcher it's already going on, but that's.

01:00:46 Speaker 29

The excuse you're going to hear.

01:00:49 Speaker 30

Let's skip that one.

01:00:51 Speaker 29

Kernel control I love kernel control.

01:00:53 Speaker 29

I think that if you have a book in here that is questionable, it's got sexual content like this one.

01:00:58 Speaker 29

I think the parents should have.

01:01:00 Speaker 29

Approve the child checking out.

01:01:01 Speaker 29

I think that's a great.

01:01:03 Speaker 29

So bring it up to the front counter.

01:01:05 Speaker 29

I'm sorry, Sally.

01:01:06 Speaker 29

I'm sorry down.

01:01:07 Speaker 29

There, can you.

01:01:08 Speaker 29

Can you go get your mom?

01:01:09 Speaker 29

I just want to make.

01:01:09 Speaker 29

Sure, she's OK with me checking this book out totally.

01:01:12 Speaker 29

That was great video whoever had.

01:01:13 Speaker 29

That idea about their parents should be.

01:01:15 Speaker 29

In charge good job.

01:01:19 Speaker 29

Yeah, alright, so the book that she brought here was.

01:01:24 Speaker 29

Talking about you know I'm gonna.

01:01:25 Speaker 29

Leave out the details 'cause.

01:01:26 Speaker 29

I see some children in the room and I can't do that.

01:01:30 Speaker 29

But stimulating body parts there are three body parts specifically mentioned here that are.

01:01:34 Speaker 29

Vulgar words.

01:01:36 Speaker 29

That is in.

01:01:36 Speaker 29

This educational book.

01:01:38 Speaker 29

That a 10 year old can check out.

01:01:40 Speaker 29

I know because I recognize this book.

01:01:42 Speaker 29

We had a 10 year old in my life of librarian.

01:01:45 Speaker 29

Lafayette checked.

01:01:45 Speaker 29

This book out.

01:01:47 Speaker 29

There was no limitation.

01:01:48 Speaker 29

They just walked right up to the counter.

01:01:51

And checked it.

01:01:51 Speaker 29

Out no problem.

01:01:53 Speaker 29

Nobody asked you a question, nobody cared.

01:01:55 Speaker 29

Why because they?

01:01:55 Speaker 29

Didn't do the research that y'all are being active.

01:01:57 Speaker 29

What is the appropriate?

01:01:58 Speaker 29

What is inappropriate?

01:01:59 Speaker 29

So I'll leave it with that.

01:02:02 Speaker 29

I appreciate your time and again, I just want to say thank you to the crowd here, they've.

01:02:05 Speaker 29

Been tremendously been fantastic.

01:02:07 Speaker 29

Trust me, they have been.

01:02:09 Speaker 31

Great, thank you.

01:02:16 Speaker 34

You know what?

01:02:17 Speaker 29

I did that.

01:02:17 Speaker 29

One other thing I wanted to mention.

01:02:20 Speaker 29

I forgive me.

01:02:22 Speaker 29

There is a.

01:02:24 Speaker 29

Standing law, and I'm not alert, but I'm gonna tell you it was.

01:02:32 Speaker 29

Miller versus California established the Miller test for obscenity.

01:02:35 Speaker 29

Includes the following criteria whether the average person applying for contemporary community standards would find that the.

01:02:41 Speaker 29

Work taken as a.

01:02:42 Speaker 29

Whole appeals to the current interest.

01:02:46 Speaker 29

Whether the worker picture describes and.

01:02:48 Speaker 29

A patently offensive work.

01:02:50 Speaker 29

Sexual conduct, specifically defined by applicable state law and whether the work taken as a whole, lacks serious literary, artistic, or political or scientific values.

01:03:01 Speaker 29

So I know what your question is me or for me is going to be is well.

01:03:03 Speaker 29

Who gets to determine those things well the arbiter of.

01:03:06 Speaker 29

These things is the library board you are in charge.

01:03:09 Speaker 29

Determining what is considered obscene material in.

01:03:11 Speaker 29

Your community.

01:03:12 Speaker 29

That is why you were appointed to this board.

01:03:14 Speaker 29

So that is your job that's.

01:03:16 Speaker 29

Why you're here?

01:03:16 Speaker 29

So I think it's.

01:03:17 Speaker 29

Great, that that's all considered.

01:03:18 Speaker 29

Doing so, yeah.

01:03:19 Speaker 4

Thank you very much.

01:03:27 Speaker 33

My name is.

01:03:28 Speaker 33

Jordan Moore I am from Walker lifelong.

01:03:31 Speaker 33

I just like to address part of the last.

01:03:34 Speaker 33

And was asking which was why Ralph here.

01:03:38 Speaker 33

He in my mind made it very clear and bizarre, sort of implication that we got part of some grand and.

01:03:46 Speaker 33

You know little conspiracy.

01:03:48 Speaker 33

My friend Robin.

01:03:50 Speaker 33

Who liked me was a graduate Walker high tag me on Facebook.

01:03:54 Speaker 33

It's in various political machine that somebody made for talks.

01:03:59 Speaker 33

Because some people aren't Facebook.

01:04:00 Speaker 33

Timeline sorry Bill discharge yeah George Soros been staying here.

01:04:04 Speaker 33

Whatever wacky ideas.

01:04:06 Speaker 33

People may have.

01:04:07 Speaker 33

Seriously, I'm not kidding.

01:04:08 Speaker 33

I'm not being just like I, you know, I I was.

01:04:11 Speaker 33

Just it was David.

01:04:12 Speaker 33

Trudeau friend tag me because some comments are being made about potentially banning books.

01:04:17 Speaker 33

And so the further.

01:04:18 Speaker 14

Questions ask this is.

01:04:20 Speaker 33

You know, again why you hear my answer is simply.

01:04:24 Speaker 33

That I care, I'm not gay or trans, but I know.

01:04:28 Speaker 33

People who are I have friends.

01:04:31 Speaker 33

And family who are.

01:04:32 Speaker 33

Some people are not even.

01:04:33 Speaker 33

Aware of that, in these cases people aren't positive.

01:04:36 Speaker 33

But I, as a human being, care about my fellow man.

01:04:41 Speaker 33

I care about my neighbors and I would.

01:04:44 Speaker 33

Like for people who are attempting to.

01:04:46 Speaker 33

To make these bands to be more straightforward in.

01:04:49 Speaker 33

Their in their motivations.

01:04:51 Speaker 33

The Center for, respectively at the beginning of this meeting you indicated that you wanted some of these folks to be looked at.

01:04:56 Speaker 33

Why could you give a specific reason?

01:04:58 Speaker 33

What do you find?

01:05:01 Speaker 33

Is it?

01:05:01 Speaker 33

It seems that most of the books had LGBTQ content.

01:05:05 Speaker 33

Why do you find it vegetable?

01:05:06 Speaker 33

What is do you have a problem with the fact that young people in this Paris are being made to know that LGBTQ people exist?

01:05:13 Speaker 33

And if that's the case, why do you have?

01:05:15 Speaker 33

Such an issue?

01:05:15 Speaker 33

With it, you know some of us.

01:05:18 Speaker 33

Whether Christian or not, and and I was raised.

01:05:20 Speaker 33

Captain, by the way.

01:05:21 Speaker 33

Some of us had actually read the Bible.

01:05:25 Speaker 33

Some of us have rated in its original language is I have a better, deeper air made angry.

01:05:30 Speaker 33

And you know what's funny about the Bible is the great speakers in the Bible cared about their fellow human beings, regardless, eternally without condition.

01:05:40 Speaker 33

When Jesus enjoined us to love one another, he didn't say to love one another, if they're.

01:05:45 Speaker 33

Christian take their straight white male or whatever he said to love one another, period.

01:05:51 Speaker 33

And I'd like always to remember that when we go forward with reviewing the availability of these books.

01:05:56 Speaker 33

Thank you.

01:06:00 Speaker 17

2nd so my name is Vincent Kling and I am.

01:06:09 Speaker 15

President Jim springs.

01:06:10 Speaker 15

I have lived my whole life and also the I LO 4 theater at Livingston Parish and I found it really funny that I just mentioned that we don't have heightening collection.

01:06:22 Speaker 15

You can request it through interlibrary loan.

01:06:25 Speaker 15

But what I also find funny is.

01:06:27 Speaker 15

That we also slim things out to other parishes.

01:06:30 Speaker 15

In other states, even.

01:06:31 Speaker 15

And so if we were.

01:06:32 Speaker 15

Remove items from our collection.

01:06:34 Speaker 15

We would not only be depriving our own patrons of those items we would be providing other patients from all around the state.

01:06:42 Speaker 17

And I just.
01:06:45 Speaker 15
Trying to
01:06:47 Speaker 15
Very nervous, I didn't intend to speak because everyone.
01:06:50 Speaker 15
Else said things.
01:06:51 Speaker 23
Much better.
01:06:52 Speaker 15
Than I ever could.
01:06:57 Speaker 23
I just think it's.
01:06:58 Speaker 15
Vital that we.
01:07:00 Speaker 17
Protect it.
01:07:01 Speaker 15
And I also wanted to mention that separating all of this constant.
01:07:05 Speaker 15
Thing including it.
01:07:06 Speaker 15
In different section would force children.
01:07:08 Speaker 15
To give out.
01:07:09 Speaker 15
Because they've seen in this section.
01:07:11 Speaker 15
And they would be.
01:07:12 Speaker 15
Replaced, but I felt this person checking out.
01:07:14 Speaker 4
Of the content.
01:07:16 Speaker 15
They need information.
01:07:17 Speaker 15
About safe consensual sex.
01:07:20 Speaker 15
So I think it's.
01:07:21 Speaker 4
Right?
01:07:21 Speaker 15
Important that we.
01:07:21 Speaker 17
Also protect the privacy of their children and this.
01:07:26 Speaker 15
So I think that's about it.
01:07:29 Speaker 15

So thank you.

01:07:30 Speaker 4

2nd is Dominic Abrams.

01:07:36 Speaker 30

Hi honey.

01:07:39 Speaker 9

I actually have two different viewpoints that I would like to express to the board.

01:07:45 Speaker 9

The most important thing is that I know what it feels like to be.

01:07:50 Speaker 9

In your exact shoes, when I was a resident of Pembroke Parish back in 1916.

01:07:57 Speaker 9

Through late 2018 I was a member of their library Board of Control. We actually had this same issue come up to us regarding just one book.

01:08:10 Speaker 9

And when it was brought up to us, we did discuss moving the books, etc.

01:08:15 Speaker 9

But that in itself is like censorship.

01:08:18 Speaker 9

We unanimously decided not to remove.

01:08:21 Speaker 29

The book or movie.

01:08:24 Speaker 9

So that's the person most important viewpoint that I wanted to express to the board.

01:08:30 Speaker 9

The second one is that the gentleman, a couple of speakers ahead of me, said that he is not an attorney, I am.

01:08:40 Speaker 9

He's wrong, he is only looking at the 1st amendment through obscenity.

01:08:46 Speaker 9

However, I would like to present.

01:08:47 Speaker 9

The other side.

01:08:48 Speaker 9

Of that, I would urge you to read the plurality Supreme Court decision in.

01:08:55 Speaker 9

Board of Education versus Frisco.

01:08:59 Speaker 9

I would like free.

01:09:00 Speaker 9

You to read the Supreme Court decision in Stanley versus Georgia and I would like for you to read the Supreme Court decision in Griswold versus Connecticut.

01:09:09 Speaker 15

Thank you.

01:09:12 Speaker 9

And each of those cases, the Supreme Court explicitly held that the 1st amendment doesn't just.

01:09:20 Speaker 9

Protect the speech because without.

01:09:22 Speaker 9

The reciprocity of that, the opposite of it.

01:09:25 Speaker 9

The ability to receive the speech.

01:09:28 Speaker 9

It means nothing.

01:09:30 Speaker 9

So that's the opposite.

01:09:32 Speaker 9

The other opposing viewpoint, legally of what the gentleman on couple speakers ago told you.

01:09:40 Speaker 9

So I came here.

01:09:41 Speaker 9

To saying I.

01:09:42 Speaker 9

Hope you make the correct decision and good luck.

01:09:58 Speaker 27

And I just.

01:09:59 Speaker 27

Want to talk about the curiosity of children and.

01:10:02 Speaker 27

Very young kids to.

01:10:04 Speaker 27

Seek out this material, have it at their.

01:10:05 Speaker 27

Fingertips, first of all, they're not going to be.

01:10:08 Speaker 27

In this where?

01:10:09 Speaker 27

These books are in the Young adult section is not just going to be.

01:10:14

Oh look, I'm

01:10:15 Speaker 27

Gonna read Harry Potter.

01:10:16 Speaker 27

Who hears this book on?

01:10:16 Speaker 27

Sex, that's not any.

01:10:18 Speaker 27

We all know that.

01:10:19 Speaker 27

So if they're looking for what they're looking for, they want this information.

01:10:20 Speaker 4

Right?

01:10:22 Speaker 27

It's because they feel they need this information.

01:10:24 Speaker 27

But on the curiosity of children, I have two.

01:10:27 Speaker 27
Boys now were 14 and 12 when my 14 year old was.

01:10:30 Speaker 27
Nine, he said, mom, what about sex tell me everything?

01:10:33 Speaker 27
No mommy.

01:10:35 Speaker 27
I wanna know everything tell.

01:10:36 Speaker 19
Me everything no.

01:10:36 Speaker 27
I think.

01:10:36 Speaker 27
Not can you just wait 'til digits please?

01:10:39 Speaker 27
Please can you just wait to double digits?

01:10:42 Speaker 27
OK, so on his 10th.

01:10:43 Speaker 27
Part they are.

01:10:44 Speaker 27
Already from the air.

01:10:44 Speaker 24
Tell me.

01:10:46 Speaker 27
OK, so we got books the.

01:10:48 Speaker 27
What is it perfectly normal?

01:10:49 Speaker 27
And all these other great books.

01:10:51 Speaker 27
And I've shared this information with ounces.

01:10:53 Speaker 27
I couldn't.

01:10:54 Speaker 27
I was never given the information to accurately tell him what.

01:10:57 Speaker 27
I needed to tell.

01:10:58 Speaker 27
Him so I got books to.

01:11:00 Speaker 27
Help me give him this information.

01:11:03 Speaker 27
He was nine and he wanted to.

01:11:04 Speaker 27
Know and I begged.

01:11:05 Speaker 27
Him to wait so 11 is not overly young to have this information, it's just not.

01:11:13 Speaker 27

No, my 12 year old.

01:11:15 Speaker 27

Still doesn't care, doesn't know anything about anything as far as he know.

01:11:19 Speaker 27

I ate a watermelon and that's how his baby sister got here.

01:11:21 Speaker 27

He hasn't a clue.

01:11:22 Speaker 27

He doesn't care, but my 14 year old had to know when he was nine, so having the information available to people 'cause I could go and I could buy the book.

01:11:30 Speaker 27

It's perfectly normal.

01:11:33 Speaker 27

But maybe I'm paycheck to paycheck and I couldn't go buy this book and.

01:11:36 Speaker 27

I needed to.

01:11:36 Speaker 27

Come to the library and maybe taking him.

01:11:38 Speaker 27

Into the adult section where all of these sex books are, it's a.

01:11:41 Speaker 27

Little overwhelming for.

01:11:43 Speaker 27

A table.

01:11:45 Speaker 27

But maybe I could go.

01:11:46 Speaker 27

To the young adult section.

01:11:49 Speaker 27

Books that are appropriately word inappropriately available.

01:11:53 Speaker 20

And give him the information that.

01:11:54 Speaker 7

He needed to have.

01:11:59 Speaker 13

Doesn't care.

01:12:00 Speaker 27

So my 9.

01:12:01 Speaker 27

Year old death.

01:12:02 Speaker 27

And to have that available here at the library.

01:12:04 Speaker 22

Right for everyone.

01:12:06 Speaker 27

'cause that's the point, that's the.

01:12:07 Speaker 27

Point of being.

01:12:08 Speaker 24

Here of having.

01:12:08 Speaker 27

These books is.

01:12:09 Speaker 27

That it's available for everyone.

01:12:12 Speaker 27

Or who needs it?

01:12:13 Speaker 27

And if you don't, if a child doesn't have their parents.

01:12:16 Speaker 27

And they are looking at these books.

01:12:17 Speaker 21

It's probably because.

01:12:20 Speaker 27

They're not getting the information they need.

01:12:25 Speaker 27

If you're a parent of somebody who have a child that you don't want them to have.

01:12:28 Speaker 27

This information I'm sorry.

01:12:29 Speaker 27

But they're going to get it one way or another, whether it's corner at the library.

01:12:32 Speaker 27

Frankly, I'd rather than get it at the library.

01:12:38 Speaker 27

And I'd rather be.

01:12:39 Speaker 27

In a safe space that they.

01:12:40 Speaker 5

Should do that and not know.

01:12:41 Speaker 21

To trivialize whatever.

01:12:43 Speaker 27

Kind of information in.

01:12:44 Speaker 7

The adult section.

01:12:46 Speaker 27

Certainly isn't going to be next to.

01:12:47 Speaker 27

Green eggs and ham.

01:12:48 Speaker 27

We all know that.

01:12:50 Speaker 27

Not going next to Harry Potter, we all know that it's going to be an appropriate place for them.

01:12:55 Speaker 27

To seek this.

01:12:56 Speaker 27

Knowledge because they need to know.

01:13:11

My name is.

01:13:13 Speaker 35

And I live right down the road in falls.

01:13:16 Speaker 35

I've been a patron of this library for 20 years.

01:13:21 Speaker 35

I'm sorry I'm so close to this issue.

01:13:27 Speaker 35

I have kids in my class.

01:13:29 Speaker 25

And from school.

01:13:31 Speaker 35

That need this information.

01:13:34

But they don't.

01:13:35 Speaker 35

Have parents that take care of.

01:13:36 Speaker 35

Them or even feed them most of the time.

01:13:41 Speaker 35

So I disagree.

01:13:43 Speaker 22

With the idea of.

01:13:43 Speaker 15

Yeah, that that.

01:13:44 Speaker 35

Parents signature for this and they need the information.

01:13:55 Speaker 35

I teach at graders and they are 11 and they are already talking about sex and they need to get information from a a reliable source.

01:14:08 Speaker 35

When they need it.

01:14:11 Speaker 35

At the taxpayer.

01:14:12 Speaker 35

And as an educator, I believe libraries should provide all types of literature to its patrons.

01:14:19 Speaker 35

It is the parents and guardians place to monitor with their children read.

01:14:19 Speaker 4

Thanks very much.

01:14:23 Speaker 35

But they can do that.

01:14:25 Speaker 28

By bringing the kids in.

01:14:28 Speaker 35

And going over whatever they breathe with them.

01:14:33 Speaker 35

At first I thought maybe.

01:14:36 Speaker 35

That labeling some of these folks would be a good idea to help parents, but as I've listened, I thought.

01:14:44 Speaker 35

We do better just leaving.

01:14:45 Speaker 35

Them on the shelf and not have any.

01:14:47 Speaker 35

Kind of identification.

01:14:55 Speaker 8

So I'm just.

01:14:55 Speaker 35

Asking you to think about.

01:14:57 Speaker 35

Think about these kids that don't have any kind of parental guidance and that they need that this measures it.

01:15:03 Speaker 35

Please leave it.

01:15:04 Speaker 35

On this show.

01:15:15 Speaker 31

Hi Scott, quick question Jeffrey Poirier I lived.

01:15:19 Speaker 9

In spring I.

01:15:20 Speaker 31

Kind of lived here all my life.

01:15:22 Speaker 31

I don't have.

01:15:23 Speaker 31

Like anything written down, I think I have a foot question on the scope of this now.

01:15:29 Speaker 31

It seems like we've only targeted.

01:15:31 Speaker 31

Sexual, what's the?

01:15:34 Speaker 31

What's the broader structure like where I'm not saying?

01:15:37 Speaker 31

Oh where does it?

01:15:38 Speaker 31

I don't want to say but would necessarily extreme violence or rape be?

01:15:38 Speaker 4

That that.

01:15:43 Speaker 31

Including that as well.

01:15:45 Speaker 31

Into your scope of the review.

01:15:48 Speaker 31

And I'm saying that I'm good.

01:15:49 Speaker 31

I'm selfish.

01:15:50 Speaker 31

I like rapid files.

01:15:52 Speaker 31

I love Batman and everything, but they're graphic novels and they're located.

01:15:58 Speaker 31

In the youth section.

01:16:00 Speaker 31

So where does the scope of?

01:16:02 Speaker 31

This end and really.

01:16:03 Speaker 31

What is the ending of this?

01:16:09 Speaker 5

With your question.

01:16:11 Speaker 5

It's certainly open to discussion.

01:16:13 Speaker 10

For the board.

01:16:14 Speaker 7

So to have a.

01:16:15 Speaker 4

OK.

01:16:16 Speaker 5

Look that you would like to.

01:16:17 Speaker 5

Submit there is a pool.

01:16:17 Speaker 31

Well, no, I I don't personally have to look that like some it's you know 'cause I trust that everybody.

01:16:24 Speaker 31

And their physicians know exactly what needs to be included in the collections.

01:16:30 Speaker 31

Of course, I've.

01:16:31 Speaker 31

I've made several recommendations from the graphic novel Love, Freedom.

01:16:35 Speaker 31

Oh, but yeah, that's my only fear is.

01:16:39 Speaker 31

Well, it seems like they've targeted one thing sexuality.

01:16:43 Speaker 31

It seems to be a target that is constantly brought up and.

01:16:49 Speaker 31

Board meetings in did politics that's used as a talking point, 'cause it is.

01:16:56 Speaker 31

It's grown, it's frustrating when we have other things to deal with.

01:17:00 Speaker 31

And if if we were actually trying to better ourselves and say, OK, we need to, we need to target this one thing because it's what?

01:17:08 Speaker 31

We're seeing in society.

01:17:09 Speaker 31

To me it would.

01:17:10 Speaker 31

Be violence.

01:17:11 Speaker 31

I mean look at what happened in Texas.

01:17:14 Speaker 31

That's really what she values.

01:17:16 Speaker 31

If we're trying to assess what's going on in society to what kind of book should be on shelves, then maybe we should be looking at what's violin.

01:17:25 Speaker 31

Books are off.

01:17:26 Speaker 31

When you look at great books, there are several great books.

01:17:30 Speaker 31

In in there, that's terrorist.

01:17:32 Speaker 31

Go pick him out.

01:17:34 Speaker 31

Now the child goes in the adult section.

01:17:36 Speaker 31

They could pull up.

01:17:37 Speaker 31

You know 50.

01:17:38 Speaker 31

Shades of Grey.

01:17:39 Speaker 31

I mean, that's very graphic.

01:17:44 Speaker 31

And and quite quite someone said thank you, crawl up in your corner.

01:17:48 Speaker 31

Start breeding.

01:17:49 Speaker 31

I'll invite Nolan and.

01:17:52 Speaker 31

Yeah, I I just.

01:17:54 Speaker 31

I just like to know where we can.

01:17:55 Speaker 31

Where is where does this?

01:17:57 Speaker 31

Where does this end?

01:17:58 Speaker 31

What is the end game?

01:18:00 Speaker 5

We're having a discussion.

01:18:02 Speaker 5

The title of the agenda item is most comfortable.

01:18:08 Speaker 31

So in general.

01:18:10 Speaker 31

OK.

01:18:10 Speaker 34

Oh well.

01:18:12 Speaker 31

I mean you got problem.

01:18:13 Speaker 31

Sorted down a little bit, even the even the.

01:18:15 Speaker 31

Documents you presented.

01:18:16 Speaker 31

To us out of a sketch.

01:18:19 Speaker 31

I mean, you didn't really sign anything.

01:18:22 Speaker 31

Only yeah.

01:18:22 Speaker 5

Outside helps out at home.

01:18:25 Speaker 5

Would you like to bring some books forward?

01:18:28 Speaker 7

Present talk about.

01:18:29 Speaker 4

Just ask policies, agree with them.

01:18:29 Speaker 22

This in part of a.

01:18:30 Speaker 22

Discussion asking why?

01:18:32 Speaker 18

Papers in having answers.

01:18:35 Speaker 11

He asked a question.

01:18:37 Speaker 7

This is part of the discussion.

01:18:40 Speaker 5

I want to stay fresher.

01:18:41 Speaker 5

Don't have.

01:18:42 Speaker 30

What you're looking to do?

01:18:43 Speaker 5

Engage right now.

01:18:45 Speaker 5

I am presenting this.

01:18:46 Speaker 5

To the board for the board to discuss.

01:18:49 Speaker 34

I think we all need to know what the spirit of this discussion is.

01:18:51 Speaker 19

Right, right exactly.

01:18:53 Speaker 34

Well, content, I'm offended by the letter name.

01:18:55 Speaker 34

I would like to put every book in the library that has LED array.

01:18:57 Speaker 34

Then felt she works consideration and I would like a full report of each foot with the letter A and the reasons.

01:19:02 Speaker 34

That you're removing them or keep the blue.

01:19:04 Speaker 23

Saying that.

01:19:06 Speaker 5

Whenever she had spoken and.

01:19:09 Speaker 7

Finished I will.

01:19:15

Right?

01:19:16 Speaker 34

They would not like to hear what this.

01:19:17 Speaker 34

Discussion is about.

01:19:18 Speaker 26

And this motion is about whether or not these books should be allowed because they include sexual concept.

01:19:23 Speaker 26

It's not about LGBTQ, it's not talking.

01:19:25 Speaker 20

It's about 12.

01:19:28 Speaker 5

Submit the book.

01:19:29 Speaker 19

It's about 12.

01:19:30 Speaker 26

Little boys finding out how stimulated ***** how to finger someone.

01:19:33 Speaker 26

How have anal sex?

01:19:34 Speaker 9

I just read a passage about ***** from Encyclopedia Britannica.

01:19:35 Speaker 7

Shut up.

01:19:38 Speaker 2

Second guys guys you need order.

01:19:43 Speaker 3

There was nothing.

01:19:45 Speaker 12

This is not.

01:19:45 Speaker 12

A discussion amongst all of y'all if anyone would like to present something.

01:19:48 Speaker 12

To the board.

01:19:49 Speaker 12

It's still open for public comment.

01:19:53 Speaker 14

Watch them all.

01:19:54 Speaker 30

The body dry and I believe the lives in a while I read.

01:19:57 Speaker 30

A book or.

01:19:57 Speaker 30

Two when school once or twice.

01:19:59 Speaker 15

I will be done.

01:20:00

Tried out.

01:20:03 Speaker 30

Let's put some numbers and everything else.

01:20:06 Speaker 30

My minor was in ancient would actually like school so.

01:20:11 Speaker 30

Well, maybe it was favorite parts of it.

01:20:15 Speaker 30

I didn't hear anybody say anything about banning.

01:20:17 Speaker 30

A book.

01:20:19 Speaker 30

They said they're considering some bars.

01:20:22 Speaker 30

That's what they did.

01:20:23 Speaker 30

They do it every month.

01:20:25 Speaker 30

Everybody then come bragging down here every single time because you're looking at books 'cause now like.

01:20:31 Speaker 30

These would be.

01:20:34 Speaker 30

There are books.

01:20:35 Speaker 30
That I remember seeing in the clubhouse.

01:20:38 Speaker 30
That we never mix weighted libraries and they're.

01:20:40 Speaker 30
Still not here.

01:20:42 Speaker 30
You will find a book here by shows of Mandela.

01:20:45 Speaker 30
You'll find a book here by Rudolf Hess.

01:20:48 Speaker 30
Dude, we don't want people to read those signs, it's a fact of life.

01:20:52 Speaker 30
There are some.

01:20:52 Speaker 30
Things that we need to control.

01:20:55 Speaker 30
It's just the way it is, there's.

01:20:57 Speaker 30
Too much information sometimes and it does incite problems.

01:21:02 Speaker 30
These people have been tasked with look.

01:21:04 Speaker 30
In ads and trying to control.

01:21:07 Speaker 30
What is causing problems in?

01:21:09 Speaker 30
Society. That's why they're here.

01:21:11 Speaker 30
Sometimes they don't look at.

01:21:12 Speaker 30
Things and they will say.

01:21:14 Speaker 30
We don't need this to be here.

01:21:16 Speaker 30
Sometimes they'll look at it and say.

01:21:18 Speaker 30
Well, I mean, I personally.

01:21:19 Speaker 30
Care for it?

01:21:21 Speaker 29
But we're going to put.

01:21:22 Speaker 30
It on the shelf.

01:21:23 Speaker 30
That's a big job.

01:21:24 Speaker 30
That's what we want.

01:21:25 Speaker 30
Them to do you talk about Harry Potter?

01:21:29 Speaker 30
Librarian head Harry Potter had a restricted section, did it not?

01:21:36 Speaker 30
These things are a fact in our society we have to look at everything we wanna.

01:21:42 Speaker 30
Talk about the.

01:21:42 Speaker 30
Bible Bible says judge not lest ye judging the same measure.

01:21:45 Speaker 30
It also helps, says judge all things we have to look at the.

01:21:50 Speaker 30
Content corn in the library.

01:21:53 Speaker 30
Whether or not there's some things we all agree don't belong here, it's their job to look.

01:22:01 Speaker 30
And they if they stop exactly.

01:22:03 Speaker 30
Where you think they?

01:22:04 Speaker 30
Need to stop.

01:22:05 Speaker 30
Did they go far enough or not far?

01:22:09 Speaker 30
You you can't put an.

01:22:10 Speaker 30
Arbitrary line at what point?

01:22:12 Speaker 30
They stop looking at books, they gotta.

01:22:15 Speaker 30
Look at them all.

01:22:16 Speaker 30
Tonight you're looking at this particular issue great by saying what they think, but that's great too.

01:22:22 Speaker 30
But understand this is their job.

01:22:24 Speaker 30
That's why they're here.

01:22:25 Speaker 30
We asked them to do.

01:22:26 Speaker 30
It publish it.

01:22:27 Speaker 30
They're getting rich doing.

01:22:31 Speaker 30
They're not making money here.

01:22:33 Speaker 30
They do it because they're trying.

01:22:35 Speaker 30

To help the community.

01:22:37 Speaker 30

Don't shoot the messenger OK.

01:22:40 Speaker 30

Let the process work.

01:22:42 Speaker 13

Right?

01:22:47 Speaker 28

OK, so very nervous, just a moment, just a moment.

01:22:50 Speaker 28

It's terribly.

01:22:53 Speaker 11

Which is a.

01:22:54 Speaker 28

Motive sunbears thank you for your service.

01:22:57 Speaker 28

I know that being on board things like this is just it's not, I don't.

01:23:02 Speaker 28

So thank you and thank you for everyone here.

01:23:05 Speaker 28

Everyone here on this side level is perfect and so we live in the tree where we can still speak.

01:23:11 Speaker 28

So thank God.

01:23:12 Speaker 28

OK, got it.

01:23:14 Speaker 28

I personally I'm a classical educator, I like.

01:23:19 Speaker 28

To go.

01:23:22 Speaker 28

I kind of cringe when they talk about the.

01:23:24 Speaker 28

Melting pot that.

01:23:25 Speaker 28

Is America 'cause I think it's a lot.

01:23:29 Speaker 11

All of it.

01:23:30 Speaker 7

So I'd like.

01:23:31 Speaker 28

To have the different the different.

01:23:33 Speaker 28

Opinions and voices needs.

01:23:36 Speaker 28

But I just wanna ask you this.

01:23:37 Speaker 3

When I.

01:23:38 Speaker 28

Walk into the library.

01:23:39 Speaker 28

What's the purpose of being in the adult section?

01:23:42 Speaker 28

And in this section.

01:23:44 Speaker 28

Walk into the library and I go to the left and it's adult books to write his books.

01:23:54 Speaker 28

'cause some content is better in other places and and I'm looking at this and I want to take out just just just post that success.

01:24:01 Speaker 28

I'm not talking about girl, Girl, boy boy.

01:24:03 Speaker 28

I think that our our equation.

01:24:06 Speaker 28

I was born in Sammy Green so.

01:24:06 Speaker 24

Inside song.

01:24:08 Speaker 28

I'm guessing subjects 40s and.

01:24:14 Speaker 28

I didn't have access of how to have sex like like instruction of how to have that happen and I think back then if that would have been made available.

01:24:25 Speaker 28

I think somebody publicly gone to jail.

01:24:27 Speaker 28

Like surely that seems criminal.

01:24:31 Speaker 28

And I'm not even, you know 2.

01:24:33 Speaker 28

Or body.

01:24:34 Speaker 28

And I'll you know.

01:24:35 Speaker 28

So, so I'll leave you with that.

01:24:36 Speaker 28

Why is there a A?

01:24:40 Speaker 28

Adult section or child section.

01:24:43 Speaker 28

I want to praise us all like that.

01:24:45 Speaker 28

We can be talking and I really, uh, one person who has not been singled out as being raised with Aaron Sandberg, so.

01:24:54 Speaker 28

Thank you for bored networks for listening to your patrons.

01:25:00 Speaker 28

'cause I don't know the.

01:25:01 Speaker 28

Title we have.

01:25:02 Speaker 28

Thank you for listening.

01:25:04 Speaker 6

And then present because.

01:25:07 Speaker 28

Where there's two people, there's going to be two different opinions.

01:25:10 Speaker 28

We're always going to have different.

01:25:12 Speaker 28

Effects and so.

01:25:13 Speaker 28

Thank you for being great and putting your name on us because after the target on your back for support your choosing useful.

01:25:19 Speaker 12

So I hope.

01:25:20 Speaker 28

We all remember doing any movies out there.

01:25:23 Speaker 18

Regardless of how they stand.

01:25:38 Speaker 18

Steve again.

01:25:42 Speaker 7

As a board member I would just like to say I've been an educator in this parish for 35 years.

01:25:49 Speaker 7

And tonight has been such a blessing.

01:25:52 Speaker 7

I'm a literature major lyrics.

01:25:54 Speaker 7

7th and 8th grade literature teacher.

01:25:57 Speaker 7

And that this many people would care so much about what I love books.

01:26:03 Speaker 7

Whether what your opinion is.

01:26:09 Speaker 7

That you cared enough to speak.

01:26:12 Speaker 7

Because of your desire of a book.

01:26:16 Speaker 7

Has blessed me thank you so very much for coming and again as he said, thank you so much for Livingston Parish.

01:26:24 Speaker 7

Proud this has been a good a good meeting.

01:26:27 Speaker 7

Thank you very much for your shares.

01:26:30 Speaker 22

One thing I was checking this.

01:26:33 Speaker 22

I can contribute some information. My name is Keisha posted. I graduated from Margaret Hospital in 1996.

01:26:40 Speaker 22

Someone in 78.

01:26:42 Speaker 22

And I learned about sex from the Bible and in the library.

01:26:44 Speaker 22

From DC in dreams.

01:26:47 Speaker 22

I'm only addressing the sexuality partners because I was asexual educator in all of the Livingston Hirsch schools for five years of my life.

01:26:56 Speaker 22

In my late 20s and when I was asexual.

01:27:00 Speaker 22

Cameron, the schools.

01:27:02 Speaker 22

All of the schools in the parish I taught in.

01:27:05 Speaker 22

We had to.

01:27:06 Speaker 22

Give what was called a pre and post test.

01:27:09 Speaker 22

It was essentially a Scantron form, or children that we taught went down and answered questions about sexuality.

01:27:17 Speaker 22

All of the students who came to the classes had a permission slip signed.

01:27:21 Speaker 22

Other parents everything was.

01:27:24 Speaker 22

Very, very professionally taught.

01:27:26 Speaker 22

I had to be very careful.

01:27:28 Speaker 22

In fact, I taught program about apps.

01:27:30 Speaker 22

My views on that have changed tremendously. Now that I have teenage and adult children and based on my own life, what I would like to say is that when we administered these tests and there were probably close to 100,000 in the course of my career that were that were entered into your system.

01:27:51 Speaker 22

The children that are taught age were ages 11 to 13. That's the majority of the children that are caught within the Livingston Parish schools.

01:28:02 Speaker 22

These children, one out of every four, had already had some form of sexual contact from 11 to 13 years old.

01:28:11 Speaker 22

I was touched inappropriately at 11 years old.

01:28:13 Speaker 22

11 years old seems to.

01:28:15 Speaker 22

Be the basic.

01:28:16 Speaker 22

Age where sexuality and curiousness is there.

01:28:19 Speaker 22

It exists, it exists no matter what.

01:28:21 Speaker 22

I was strict Southern Baptist I was in church every time.

01:28:26 Speaker 18

The doors were open.

01:28:29 Speaker 22

I learned about sex.

01:28:30 Speaker 22

From the Bible I became curious about sex.

01:28:33 Speaker 22

From verses that were preached from the pulpit.

01:28:37 Speaker 22

I didn't feel that it was wrong to be curious about it until adults told me that I was wrong.

01:28:42 Speaker 22

For being curious about it.

01:28:43 Speaker 22

It was detrimental to my sexuality throughout my life, and I believe that it's detrimental to take away information from children who are already curious.

01:28:55 Speaker 22

I can only tell you from my own personal stance and the children that came to me in those classes that they were hungry.

01:29:04 Speaker 22

It's easy to say they can get the information from their parents, but the truth of the matter is, they're not.

01:29:10 Speaker 22

Parents are terrified and to teach parents about about teaching their kids how not to be molested.

01:29:17 Speaker 22

We don't give children ownership of their body parts.

01:29:20 Speaker 22

We we don't.

01:29:22 Speaker 22

Parents are not teaching.

01:29:23 Speaker 22

We as parents, myself included early in my life because I didn't know better.

01:29:28 Speaker 22

We are failing our children.

01:29:30 Speaker 22

They need a space where they can learn about their sexuality.

01:29:33 Speaker 22

When most of them don't have parents who are.

01:29:36 Speaker 22

Teaching them anything or don't believe that they're curious.

01:29:39 Speaker 22

We've optimized, I mean.

01:29:42 Speaker 22

I started ***** at 8 years old where children are learning and they're they're they're they're wanting.

01:29:48 Speaker 18

Wanted to know.

01:29:49 Speaker 22

Why not give them truthful information so that they can make their choices?

01:29:53 Speaker 22

And guess what, the?

01:29:54 Speaker 22

VC injuries books that I checked out from my library when it was down the road.

01:30:00 Speaker 19

You guys were not doing like.

01:30:02 Speaker 22

My favorite thing to do.

01:30:03 Speaker 22

All summer long was to ride my bike from my home across from the water tower that no longer stands.

01:30:08 Speaker 22

To the library.

01:30:09 Speaker 22

Here in Livingston and I checked out VC Andrews Books at 11 years old and they were full of incest and rape.

01:30:17 Speaker 22

And every other form of sexual immorality that you can imagine.

01:30:20 Speaker 22

And that's what I don't want to rape anybody.

01:30:23 Speaker 22

And I didn't want.

01:30:24 Speaker 22

To be molested, nor do I molest other people.

01:30:27 Speaker 22

We're gonna do what it comes from.

01:30:29 Speaker 22

Our core belief, even children by the age of eight years old.

01:30:31 Speaker 4

Thank you.

01:30:32 Speaker 22

There they have formed almost all of the beliefs that they're gonna hold inside their little bodies pageant.

01:30:38 Speaker 22

They know which way.

01:30:39 Speaker 22

They want to go and I'm not saying I'm trying not to.

01:30:43 Speaker 22

Here I trust you guys to make the right decision.

01:30:47 Speaker 22

And I.

01:30:49 Speaker 22

I understand Aaron why you bought it.

01:30:53 Speaker 22

Thank you for bringing it.

01:30:55 Speaker 22

It's good to discuss this because we're all uncomfortable right now and that's when growth happens when we're not in our comfort zones.

01:31:15 Speaker 12

Not trying to put any pressure, but anybody else?

01:31:23 Speaker 13

It's guys for me.

01:31:26 Speaker 13

Gay straight does not matter.

01:31:28 Speaker 13

That has nothing to do with this this to me.

01:31:30 Speaker 13

It's about sexually explicit material and we use it for free for children.

01:31:35 Speaker 13

Lady earlier said that when her child race, she.

01:31:37 Speaker 13

Got work so much with chocolate.

01:31:41 Speaker 13

That's what I want this apparent.

01:31:44 Speaker 13

I want to be one.

01:31:45 Speaker 13

When the child is ready.

01:31:47 Speaker 13

Check the book out.

01:31:49 Speaker 13

She addressed it with child.

01:31:50 Speaker 13

Have that discussion with child I've.

01:31:52 Speaker 13

Got one big concern.

01:31:54 Speaker 13

I don't want to know.

01:31:55 Speaker 13

That child can go hit it on his own.

01:31:58 Speaker 13

Valving without universe.

01:32:01 Speaker 13

My wife.

01:32:02 Speaker 13

Is like being able guys that's enough.

01:32:06 Speaker 13

That's really all it's it's.

01:32:09 Speaker 13

It's just about.

01:32:11 Speaker 13

Eric being able to.

01:32:12 Speaker 13

Be responsible when the child is.

01:32:14 Speaker 13

It's worth doing in college.

01:32:28 Speaker 3

Like so many people, I've decided that was not.

01:32:33 Speaker 19

But many.

01:32:34 Speaker 12

Of you know me, I worked here for quite a while.

01:32:37 Speaker 19

My name is Karen Sibley and I live in Walker.

01:32:37 Speaker 10

Hey Miss Kitty.

01:32:41 Speaker 12

Is the live right down the road?

01:32:43 Speaker 19

I still have.

01:32:44 Speaker 24

A 504 area code on my.

01:32:46 Speaker 19

A great

01:32:46 Speaker 26

Part so.

01:32:47 Speaker 19

If you are.

01:32:49 Speaker 19

Remember those, that's that's the thing I.

01:32:52 Speaker 26

Just wanted to mention.

01:32:54 Speaker 19

We talked about censoring.

01:32:56 Speaker 19

We talked about banning and.

01:32:57 Speaker 20

Everyone that seems to bump against that has said, well, we.

01:33:02 Speaker 19

Just want to move it we want.

01:33:03 Speaker 27

To note it.

01:33:08 Speaker 16

At first moment you think?

01:33:12 Speaker 26

That that makes a lot of sense, but as someone who is sexually harassed in the stacks in the adult section.

01:33:19 Speaker 19

After many years of working here.

01:33:22 Speaker 19

I would like you to.

01:33:24 Speaker 26

Think of that.

01:33:25 Speaker 26

When you're asking a kid to go to the.

01:33:28 Speaker 26

Adult section to choose a book.

01:33:31 Speaker 24

That is obviously.

01:33:36 Speaker 19

Full of sexual content.

01:33:38 Speaker 19

What are you asking of them?

01:33:41 Speaker 26

And up that child.

01:33:42 Speaker 20

So I just wanted.

01:33:44 Speaker 20

To pose that since it has not been addressed so far.

01:34:08 Speaker 12

Anyone else?

01:34:09 Speaker 6

Can I ask a question of the board?

01:34:12 Speaker 12

Ask a question.

01:34:15 Speaker 6

I mean, we already have a reconsideration policy in place, so anyone who objects to these things can already do that, so I guess I'm just confused as to why there's a discussion when there's already a policy in place.

01:34:26 Speaker 6

And how we think as a board member even?

01:34:27 Speaker 6

Though that is already there.

01:34:28 Speaker 5

If everybody finished, I'll I'll run this part up so.

01:34:33 Speaker 12

Well, I ran, I think procedurally wouldn't need to close public comment.

01:34:36 Speaker 5

OK, OK.

01:34:37 Speaker 12

So we're all done all right at this time we're going to close public comment and move on to.

01:34:45 Speaker 19

Yes, well you can take the floor.

01:34:45 Speaker 5
Not stating

01:34:48 Speaker 5
I hope that you can stay for the.

01:34:49 Speaker 5
Next Rezende item.

01:34:51 Speaker 5
But I do want to say I said 2 words book content.

01:34:57 Speaker 5
I don't know who took this and ran.

01:34:59 Speaker 5
With it

01:35:00 Speaker 5
Turned it into censorship, banning I.

01:35:05 Speaker 5
Feel like many of you have fallen victim to.

01:35:09 Speaker 7
The polarization coming from the media.

01:35:14 Speaker 5
I said 2 words book content.

01:35:17 Speaker 5
I hear a lot of pain in the room.

01:35:20 Speaker 5
I think you're brave for speaking up.

01:35:22 Speaker 5
Thank you for.

01:35:23 Speaker 5
Coming and speaking up, you are a a.

01:35:25 Speaker 21
Big part of.

01:35:28 Speaker 5
The whole process of this.

01:35:31 Speaker 5
Lots of propaganda I've heard repeated back to me.

01:35:38 Speaker 5
I never is that a word other than it's book content.

01:35:43 Speaker 5
I think the discussion needs to happen.

01:35:46 Speaker 5
My issues.

01:35:48 Speaker 5
In my research and and I I intentionally said Miss Cali in my opinion.

01:35:56 Speaker 5
Because it is mine.

01:35:57 Speaker 5
And it is not the opinion.

01:35:59 Speaker 5
Of the board.

01:36:00 Speaker 5

Those parts were intentional.

01:36:03 Speaker 5

It is not the library job to parent the child either.

01:36:07 Speaker 5

Just want to make that comment somebody, someone.

01:36:10 Speaker 5

Few people start for that.

01:36:13 Speaker 5

What you see here is a spin that someone on social media put on this to turn it into banning and censorship, and that is that is not what it is.

01:36:27 Speaker 5

We none of us have said that.

01:36:34 Speaker 5

The Book of the Night is not.

01:36:36 Speaker 5

Even an LGBTQ book.

01:36:39 Speaker 5

It's a heterosexual book.

01:36:43 Speaker 5

The books that I have listed, they're not all else equal from 2 girls and it is.

01:36:49 Speaker 5

About the content.

01:36:50 Speaker 5

Of the books, it is not about a sexual.

01:36:56 Speaker 5

Persuasion of gender.

01:36:59 Speaker 5

It's about the content.

01:37:00 Speaker 5

And to work in front of.

01:37:04 Speaker 27

And with.

01:37:06 Speaker 5

Thank you Sir.

01:37:10 Speaker 12

So moving on to new business.

01:37:12 Speaker 1

Two item 'cause I think both he moved out finds a library.

01:37:19 Speaker 12

OK, so we're moving on to science and library.

01:37:23 Speaker 5

Various signs and libraries.

01:37:25 Speaker 5

I see I see Jeremy or he was here.

01:37:29 Speaker 5

I think he's.

01:37:31 Speaker 5

This German spilled their English signs and libraries too.

01:37:35 Speaker 5

Uhm, I am wanting to talk about that with the board because I would like to invite library worker as well as citizens of Livingston cigarettes and is faithfulness things ARM and she invited.

01:37:53 Speaker 5

Jews are meeting.

01:37:55 Speaker 5

Not opening so I wanted.

01:37:58 Speaker 7

'cause that would be long.

01:38:00 Speaker 5

Uhm, I don't see.

01:38:01 Speaker 5

That in anywhere and.

01:38:07 Speaker 5

In thinking about that, it was also brought to my attention by someone else.

01:38:14 Speaker 5

I guess they just kind of sync.

01:38:15 Speaker 5

Well and thoughts were on it that it is hard to find that and so.

01:38:23 Speaker 5

I mean our topic.

01:38:24 Speaker 12

As as far as posting that you need.

01:38:26 Speaker 5

Hosting the meetings at the entrances and exits I was at libraries put it on social media, so that's how it works.

01:38:34 Speaker 5

Fancy in come and participate.

01:38:37 Speaker 12

I know it's on our social media, but it is posted on the doors.

01:38:40 Speaker 1

The the by law we we do it in accordance with the law.

01:38:40 Speaker 26

By law.

01:38:43 Speaker 1

We post it at the location where the meeting is going to take place and we also post it on the website.

01:38:51 Speaker 5

So what I'm wanting is for signs to be.

01:38:54 Speaker 5

To be in.

01:38:55 Speaker 5

The libraries open so that when when a patron or a library worker is commenting, go.

01:39:00 Speaker 5

And they can see the sign posted with the date, the time, the location.

01:39:06 Speaker 5

The agenda is, you know.

01:39:10 Speaker 5

Saying inviting them to our games.

01:39:15

Never quit.

01:39:18 Speaker 12

We're we're close for comfort, close for public comment now.

01:39:22 Speaker 1

I think we can content and agenda item 2.

01:39:26 Speaker 12

So just, uh, just as far as postings and notice of the meeting.

01:39:31 Speaker 35

Said all the libraries, yeah the.

01:39:36 Speaker 5

A nice sign, but you can see.

01:39:38 Speaker 5

When you're coming going.

01:39:40 Speaker 5

Hosting, yeah, the meeting location time.

01:39:44 Speaker 14

I got bulletin board.

01:39:46

No, you know.

01:39:47 Speaker 5

It's at my location, which is what I'm not sure if it's there's things by the exit door.

01:39:53 Speaker 5

Little, I don't know.

01:39:55 Speaker 5

What they're called plastic plastic comes on the.

01:39:59 Speaker 27

Wall things you can slide in it.

01:40:03 Speaker 5

Something like that, just.

01:40:04 Speaker 5

People can see.

01:40:09 Speaker 12

Would that cause any more headache to?

01:40:11 Speaker 1

Yep, Yep they can do that.

01:40:18 Speaker 5

I'll make a motion that we.

01:40:21 Speaker 5

Create signage on all of our.

01:40:27 Speaker 5

And exit.

01:40:31 Speaker 5

So how do I make promotion help?

01:40:32 Speaker 5

Me so too too.

01:40:34 Speaker 14

If you want.

01:40:34 Speaker 14

To just tackle the information or do you want invitation like we support mailing invite people?

01:40:41 Speaker 14

It's just the paper.

01:40:44 Speaker 4

Right?

01:40:48 Speaker 5

We will have an agenda.

01:40:49 Speaker 1

The law requires us to put the public notice.

01:40:53 Speaker 1

Beyond that, I don't know.

01:41:06 Speaker 7

Public notice

01:41:08 Speaker 5

Right, but it's not in public places, it's owned.

01:41:10 Speaker 22

All right so.

01:41:10 Speaker 5

On our website.

01:41:11 Speaker 7

What you're saying is we need this.

01:41:15 Speaker 5

At each door, yes.

01:41:20 Speaker 7

So it sends trouble posts on it, so this needs to be in public like no.

01:41:27 Speaker 5

It's not just on the website.

01:41:28 Speaker 5

But at the exits of the library as well as on social media.

01:41:35 Speaker 5

We have a so we have a Facebook page.

01:41:40 Speaker 1

Sign up.

01:41:41 Speaker 7

We don't always have the agenda till rhagades before.

01:41:45 Speaker 5

The agendas are posted 48 hours.

01:41:48 Speaker 1

The agenda is by law has to be posted 24 hours before the meeting.

01:41:52 Speaker 7

Right, but we could do the 1st 2 inches there on a sheet because it's going to tell when and where.

01:41:52 Speaker 1

At least.

01:41:59 Speaker 7

The meeting will be.

01:42:01 Speaker 5

Would that help?

01:42:03 Speaker 3

Is that what you need?

01:42:05 Speaker 5

I mean we do nothing.

01:42:07 Speaker 35

I think we ought to do it by law.

01:42:11 Speaker 7

But I don't think it's going to be a.

01:42:12 Speaker 7

It's not at every library it's at the light, he said it's at the library where the meeting will be held.

01:42:18 Speaker 7

So like South Branch, it's not posted there.

01:42:23 Speaker 7

So therefore, if we could just post stats and let all the patrons of South Branch and already know.

01:42:24 Speaker 3

This meeting

01:42:30 Speaker 7

That hey, this is when the.

01:42:32 Speaker 7

Meetings point to be because this meeting here shows that our community is interested in our libraries.

01:42:38 Speaker 5

I want the.

01:42:39 Speaker 5

Library board and I couldn't find the agenda online.

01:42:42 Speaker 5

I had to to.

01:42:43 Speaker 5

Kind of pick and search and lower.

01:42:45 Speaker 15

Look right.

01:42:46 Speaker 5

I get the agenda because I'm on the.

01:42:47 Speaker 5

Board and if I weren't on board I I wouldn't.

01:42:51 Speaker 5

I probably would have given up.

01:42:53 Speaker 5

Having to think.

01:42:53 Speaker 5

So hard to find it.

01:42:55 Speaker 7

I see what you're saying. I like the idea of at least because the agenda is not going to be completed until perhaps 24 hours before. What if we just did public services, at least in Paris Library Board of Control.

01:43:08 Speaker 7

We're meeting at the date, the time, and it's the price that's perfect.

01:43:12 Speaker 7

I like it.

01:43:13 Speaker 5

I like that too.

01:43:14 Speaker 7

Anybody that's interested can go.

01:43:17 Speaker 7

Maybe add where the agenda will be.

01:43:19 Speaker 7

Agenda will be posted on the.

01:43:22 Speaker 11

Well, this is before people be emailed and rotate.

01:43:23 Speaker 7

Library website 24 hours before.

01:43:28 Speaker 12

And then also if we.

01:43:29 Speaker 12

If we give.

01:43:29 Speaker 8

There you go.

01:43:30 Speaker 30

To the.

01:43:31 Speaker 11

Because they do.

01:43:33 Speaker 7

Website to get the Agenda agenda 24 hours before to see if they're interested in coming, but they would.

01:43:39 Speaker 7

Know when the.

01:43:40 Speaker 5

Meeting is and.

01:43:41 Speaker 21

Where it will be?

01:43:42 Speaker 5

That's a great point.

01:43:44 Speaker 5

I write against cancer.

01:43:45 Speaker 5

We should cancel.

01:43:48 Speaker 5

That's the problem.

01:43:51 Speaker 7

I guess they would have.

01:43:53 Speaker 26

To drive to the library.

01:43:54 Speaker 5

And find out which answers.

01:44:02 Speaker 14

Chance to build.

01:44:03 Speaker 7

Right, I didn't.

01:44:03 Speaker 4

Which do right now?

01:44:04 Speaker 7

I didn't see what you said.

01:44:05 Speaker 5

My Mike is a lot and.

01:44:07 Speaker 21

Pretty good.

01:44:07 Speaker 7

We've had so many.

01:44:08 Speaker 7

People here tonight, I mean, usually the meetings are.

01:44:10 Speaker 7

Boring, I'm not, I'm just saying maybe not listening.

01:44:14 Speaker 7

Yeah, this is very exciting.

01:44:17 Speaker 22

Just list book content on all of your agenda.

01:44:24 Speaker 12

Oh, randomly put books for other debate.

01:44:28 Speaker 22

Getting stuff.

01:44:34 Speaker 3

Well as the.

01:44:35 Speaker 12

Alternative to that, unless it's not enough, notice we already have to put out a 24 hour notice.

01:44:39 Speaker 12

We just if Giovanni emails all the branches, the agenda.

01:44:42 Speaker 12

And the meeting to put.

01:44:43 Speaker 12

Out on the 24 hour requirement then.

01:44:45 Speaker 12

You would know if it.

01:44:46 Speaker 12

Was cancelled or not 'cause?

01:44:47 Speaker 12

No agenda would go out.

01:44:50 Speaker 7

OK.

01:44:51 Speaker 5

Right?

01:44:52 Speaker 3

If we had to put this up.

01:44:53 Speaker 12

24 hours in advance and it has to go out on the.

01:44:56 Speaker 12

Branch that we.

01:44:57 Speaker 12

Are having the meeting so the proposal is.

01:45:00 Speaker 12

Is to have it posted at all the branches, but we don't know always in advance the meeting.

01:45:05 Speaker 12

Is going to be cancelled?

01:45:08 Speaker 12

Then just when we have the 20.

01:45:09 Speaker 12

4 hour we.

01:45:10 Speaker 12

Have this completed.

01:45:11 Speaker 12

Have all the branches posted to their doors so all the patients were known.

01:45:15 Speaker 12

Tomorrow is the board meeting and then they'll figure.

01:45:17 Speaker 12

Out it's every other Wednesday.

01:45:19 Speaker 12

Every other month.

01:45:23 Speaker 7

I see.

01:45:27 Speaker 5

I don't know, I'm just trying to write.

01:45:30 Speaker 7

I think I think we could.

01:45:32 Speaker 7

Clarify, go to the website to check for the agenda because not everybody is gonna show up the Monday before.

01:45:41 Speaker 7

And see it.

01:45:43 Speaker 7

So if we just post this top part and having to go to the website list the website.

01:45:52 Speaker 7

For the agenda.

01:45:53 Speaker 7

And chance of closure.

01:45:56 Speaker 7

Or cancellation chance of cancellation?

01:45:58 Speaker 1

It is also in the policy that the board meetings the board meets.

01:46:03 Speaker 1

Every other month.

01:46:06 Speaker 35

Yeah, we did this.

01:46:06 Speaker 1

So it is in.

01:46:07 Speaker 7

Right, but.

01:46:09 Speaker 1

I'm just making that statement or comment that it's already in the policy.

01:46:13 Speaker 7

Right, but they don't get to see that.

01:46:16 Speaker 7

I think it's her fans.

01:46:17 Speaker 5

Maybe we can just post the agenda at the entrance and exit of Feed store of each library and say.

01:46:26 Speaker 5

See the website for.

01:46:29 Speaker 14

Right?

01:46:30 Speaker 4

Yeah, that's crazy.

01:46:35 Speaker 5

Make a motion to post the agenda.

01:46:40 Speaker 7

Notice the Livingston Parish Library Board control regularly.

01:46:47 Speaker 7

The title.

01:46:47 Speaker 5

Update entrance and exit feats library.

01:46:49 Speaker 11

Right?

01:46:53 Speaker 28

Right?

01:46:54 Speaker 7

It's something that.

01:46:58 Speaker 1

Miss Graham

01:47:00 Speaker 1

Yes, miss Hanson.

01:47:03 Speaker 1

Miss Anderson, yes?

01:47:05 Speaker 1

Mr link yes.

01:47:07 Speaker 1

Miss Sandifer, yes.

01:47:16 Speaker 12

Approve change order.

01:47:18 Speaker 1

That's the last item on the agenda for next to last.

01:47:26 Speaker 1

This item on the agenda refers to.

01:47:30 Speaker 1

The change order that was submitted to us by our.

01:47:33 Speaker 1

Architect and contractor.

01:47:40 Speaker 1

A few things were inadvertently omitted.

01:47:44 Speaker 1

That that needs to be done.

01:47:46 Speaker 1

As we near as we're getting closer to the completion of our construction project, and so the area that's designated to become office space still requires new carpet in electrical work, electrical and data, and so this change order requests the board's approval to pay for.

01:48:08 Speaker 1

The electrical work.

01:48:15 Speaker 1

Demolition of existing floors at installation of the new flooring.

01:48:21 Speaker 1

Painting of the wall.

01:48:24 Speaker 1

In providing electrical and data.

01:48:27 Speaker 1

To the total of \$10,905.00.

01:48:32 Speaker 1

The masking boards approval for this so we can complete that project successfully and repurpose the room to become new offices for staff.

01:48:41 Speaker 12

Are these increasing costs due to just the increase of building costs right?

01:48:45 Speaker 1

Now they were not included in the.

01:48:51 Speaker 1

In the proposal originally, but need to be completed.

01:49:09 Speaker 7

After done, it's gotta be done.

01:49:11 Speaker 30

Here's the thing.

01:49:13 Speaker 12

Gemmer aren't any more discussion.

01:49:18 Speaker 5

I'm making this.

01:49:20 Speaker 12

So yeah.

01:49:28 Speaker 1

Roco Miss Graham, Miss Hanson, Miss Anderson.

01:49:34 Speaker 1

Mr Link Miss Sandifer.

01:49:37 Speaker 4

Thank you.

01:49:43 Speaker 12

Then report on our projects.

01:49:47 Speaker 1

The the only update that I have for the board is that the project is slated to be completed on August 8th.

01:49:53 Speaker 1

We were on schedule so.

01:49:56 Speaker 1

You get the those regular reports from me by e-mail, so we are on time and on.

01:50:01 Speaker 1

We're on time to complete it.

01:50:06

OK.

01:50:10 Speaker 12

Well, that's the the.

01:50:11 Speaker 1

That's it.

01:50:12 Speaker 12

Oh the agenda.

01:50:13 Speaker 12

Do you have a motion to adjourn?

01:50:17 Speaker 6

All right?

01:50:19 Speaker 12

And this meeting library board is having.

01:50:21 Speaker 23

Food and thank you all for attending and things.