Wylie Library Advisory Board Regular Meeting

July 24, 2023 – 7:00 PM Council Chambers - 300 Country Club Rd., Bldg. 100 Wylie, TX 75098



CALL TO ORDER

COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Any member of the public may address the Board regarding an item that is not listed on the Agenda. Members of the public must fill out a form prior to the meeting in order to speak. The Board requests that comments be limited to three minutes for an individual, six minutes for a group. In addition, the Library Board is not allowed to converse, deliberate or take action on any matter presented during citizen participation.

Staff Spotlight - Lisa Galletta, Assistant Library Director

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

<u>A.</u> Approve the minutes from the June 26 meeting

REGULAR AGENDA

- 1. Nominate and Vote on New Board Chair
- 2. Nominate and Vote on New Board Vice Chair

WORK SESSION

- WS1. Review the Library's Collection Development Policy
- WS2. Review Choosing Books for the Library Collection Presentation
- WS3. Review the Parent's Guide to Teen Reads
- WS4. Review monthly report
- WS5. Review items for future agenda

ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION

I certify that this Notice of Meeting was posted on July 21, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. on the outside bulletin board at Wylie City Hall, 300 Country Club Road, Building 100, Wylie, Texas, a place convenient and readily accessible to the public at all times.

Stephanie Storm, City Secretary

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Texas Government Code Section:

- § 551.071 Private consultation with an attorney for the City.
- § 551.073 Discussing prospective gift or donation to the City.
- § 551.076 Discussing deployment of security personnel or devices or security audit.



Library Advisory Board Minutes

In-person Meeting June 26, 2023 – 7:00 p.m. Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Announce the presence of a Quorum.

Staff Liaison, Ofilia Barrera, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. The following Library Board members were present: Kristin Botsford, Roz Davis, Kristina Jones, Toshia Kimball, Carla McCullough, Justin Strauch & Ofilia Barrera, Board Liaison. Juan Azcarate was not present.

Nominate and vote on a Vice Chair for the Board

Ofilia requested the Board consider nominating a Vice-Chair as set forth in the bylaws, and due to the Chair reaching his term limit.

 \rightarrow Roz made a motion to nominate Toshia Kimball as the Vice-Chair for the Advisory Board.

→ Carla seconded the motion.

All votes were in favor. The motion passed 6-0.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Residents may address the Board regarding an item that is not listed on the Agenda. Residents must provide their names and addresses. The board requests that comments be limited to three (3) minutes. In addition, the Board is not allowed to converse, deliberate, or take action on any matter presented during citizen participation. No citizens were present at the meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Consider and act upon approval of the Minutes of the April 24, 2023 Library Board Meeting.

Board Action:

The Library Board Minutes of April 24, 2023.

◆ Asked for feedback after reviewing the minutes, and there were no changes or questions related to the minutes.

- Ofilia asked for a motion to approve the minutes without change.
- \rightarrow Kristin made a motion to approve the minutes.

 \rightarrow Justin seconded the motion.

All votes were in favor. The motion passed 6-0.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Review and approve the Collection Development Policy

Ofilia mentioned the policy had been reviewed by the attorneys, the Texas State Library Archives Commission, other libraries, etc. looking to be sure it is clear and the steps are easy to follow. She said the policy is much the same as it always was, with the exception of the section called Stating Concerns About Library Materials. She mentioned:

- The steps are now clear, not vague, with timelines, and precise procedures for the process.
- There will be an in-depth review of the policy with the Board and its new members.
- ◆ Justin asked why you must be a Wylie resident since we do not have a residency requirement.

 \rightarrow Ofilia discussed suggestions made by attorneys and TSLAC to allow only taxpayers to participate in the steps taken to review materials given they pay to build and retain the resources at the library. She stated she would be willing to talk to anyone who has concerns, but to follow this procedure, it must be someone who provides funding for the library and is paying for them in local tax dollars.

• Toshia asked for the definition of en loco parentis.

Minutes June 26, 2023 Library Advisory Board \rightarrow Ofilia stated that in other libraries, perhaps in schools, librarians acted in the interest of the parents. She stated that our staff will not make decisions or approve materials for children in place of a parent.

◆ Kristin asked about kids that are at the library (over the age of 10) without a parent.

→Ofilia mentioned children over the age of 10 can be in the library without a parent, but staff is not policing what they read and/or check out while they are here. It is up to a parent to review the materials. We do not have software sophisticated enough to limit what kids can or can't check out.

• Roz made several grammatical changes to the policy and specifically pointed out what needed to be changed.

→Ofilia stated this procedure has not been implemented in several years and gave examples of previous collection discussions some of which were based on where materials should be shelved.

• Roz asked for clarification on what concerns the policy would address.

→Ofilia emphasized her role in making sure a Librarian followed the selection criteria rules listed in this policy. She clarified we are not the judge of the appropriateness of materials other than being sure materials are in the right collections/areas of the library. Appropriateness of materials in general would be a court's decision and would happen at the state level.

◆ Kristin referred back to page 8 in that the removal of the materials would not be possible without a court order.

→ Ofilia discussed the public's recent concerns over pornography and stated if we collected materials classified as pornography, we would lose our accreditation. She confirmed the materials we have are not labeled as pornography by the State. If it is categorized that way, we would have to remove it. She explained librarians don't have the authority to make those determinations. A judicial body would decide this within a lawsuit or case about specific materials. She reiterated there would need to be a court order stating something had been classified as such in order to remove it from the library.
 → Roz made a motion to approve the policy with the suggested edits.

→ Carla seconded the motion.

All votes were in favor. The motion passed 6-0.

2. Review and approve the Small Business Center Use Policy

Ofilia stated that the Small Business Center is different than our other study rooms.

- The Wylie Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) furnished the area of the library known as the Small Business Center.
- The WEDC would like it to be used for the development of entrepreneurship.
- It is not a study room. It is set apart and is a private room next to the Maker Space at the library.
- It no originally had a couple of computers and business resources. Prior to Covid, it was repurposed with tech abilities including mobile conferencing with a large TV, but it wasn't really being used. It can now be used for virtual meetings, interviews, or training.
- It seats four comfortably.
- Ofilia would like it to become part of the reservations system online like the conference room and multi-purpose room spaces.

• Roz requested more information on how we ensure the room is being reserved for the proper purpose.

→Ofilia and Michelle discussed the form used to request the reservation and the approval process.

◆ Carla suggested several grammatical changes.

◆ Kristin asked about the meaning of non-commercial purposes within the policy.

 \rightarrow Ofilia explained that the room cannot be used for the purpose of selling something or promoting products. She gave examples of ways it could be used, for instance, in sales training.

◆ Justin asked about the WEDC donation of furniture.

→Ofilia explained the ongoing commitment the WEDC has provided for the space.

• Carla requested and discussed with Ofilia, clarification of the requirement for a library card or picture ID.

- \rightarrow Justin moved to approve the policy with the discussed changes.
- →Kristina seconded the motion.

The vote passed 6-0.

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WORK SESSION - DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Review monthly reports and usage statistics

→Ofilia said this report covers two months April 20 - May 17 and May 18 - June 21 because there was not a meeting in May. She reminded the group that in the month of May numbers may be lower, especially in Teens and Children's, as there are no programs as they prepare for summer.

→Ofilia discussed streaming and the increase in usage. Kanopy is very high, maybe due to videos that we posted on social media explaining all the things you can do within Kanopy. The numbers were so high that Ofilia checked several times to verify them. She also increased the number of credits a patron can use monthly from 5 to 10.

- Roz requested updates to the spacing on page 12, and in circulation statistics.
- ◆ Carla asked about the combination reference position currently open.

→Ofilia explained we only have one of those positions that youth services and adult services share. She spent a few minutes explaining that position and its responsibility.

As the Board reviewed the packet, Ofilia mentioned we are exploring the possibility of an APP for the library. Patrons would be able to reference the catalog, place holds, let you know they are on the way to pick up the holds, see when things are due, etc. The contract is currently being reviewed.

• Kristin and Justin asked specific questions about the APP and its availability. Asked if the APP could replace the computers in the library.

→ Ofilia said the APP could, and would, be easier to use then the computers and the APP will fix the formatting issues sometimes experienced with looking at the catalog from the website on phones.

• Toshia asked for an update on the Friends of the Library group and Ofilia gave a detailed description of upcoming events. She extended an invitation to the Board for the big book sale on July 21 and 22.

• Carla asked for highlights of the conversation with Conner from the Wylie News.

→Ofilia talked about her conversation with him and included some details from the Kick Off (record attendance 3,076 and beloved foam party). She stated that they talked about all the things for adults, teens, and tweens, and not just for kids. She mentioned the excitement over the Harry Potter Party.

2. Review fine summary by fiscal year

There was a discussion about library fines. Ofilia brought with her the dollar amount for fines/fees for overdue books from 2021 forward. There was also a discussion about what is actually collected. Ofilia explained the emails do go out, and the APP may give the ability to send notifications as well. There was discussion about building barriers by pushing fines to patrons, and also some discussion about the cost of managing this despite the fact that we aren't collecting a big part of it. The discussion included details on fine forgiveness programs that we currently participate in. It also included a discussion about money collected to replace lost and damaged books that are not part of the fines. It ended with ideas for incentives to bring things back versus fines. Justin mentioned that we need to remind patrons without discouraging them to come to the library. Carla mentioned that Wylie should want to compete with the other wonderful libraries opening and being renovated in other cities. Ofilia mentioned our library is one of only four in the metroplex collecting fines. The discussion ended with the group discussing the importance of replacing materials, especially the coveted materials that are hard to replace.

3. Review items for future agenda

Ofilia stated it was sad to review this and we were losing so many members. She thanked the Board members who are leaving for their service. She talked a little bit about the new members joining the Board. Carla and Roz thanked Ofilia for all she does and said they enjoyed serving on the Board. Ofilia encouraged all of our Board members who are leaving to continue to visit us at the library. She said they will be missed as members of the Board and thanked them again.

 \rightarrow Ofilia reviewed the items for a future agenda.

Minutes June 26, 2023 Library Advisory Board ◆ Toshia asked for questions and there weren't any.

ADJOURNMENT

Roz made the motion to adjourn and Justin seconded the motion. The vote passed 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Toshia Kimball, Vice-Chair

Rita & Truett Smith Public Library Collection Development Policy Approved by the Library Advisory Board June 27, 2023

Collection Development Policy (CDP)

The Rita & Truett Smith Public Library collects materials in a variety of popular formats for our community. The collection serves the public's general, educational, recreational, and entertainment needs, and reflects the community's racial, ethnic, and cultural diversity. Please note digital collections may contain titles owned by multiple libraries and therefore this policy applies only to titles owned by the Smith Public Library.

Collection Development Priorities

- Acquire current high-demand, high-interest resources for all ages.
- Cultivate inclusive collections that meet a wide range of interests with varied viewpoints and levels of ability.
- Maintain a high quality of materials by applying professional discretion and standards established by the library profession and through the use of appropriate selection aids, including book reviews, bestseller lists, etc.
- The library supports the principles of intellectual freedom.
 - This support includes each patron's fundamental right of access to all expressions of knowledge, creativity, and intellectual activity.
 - The library provides as wide a range of materials as possible.
 - Patrons make individual choices regarding which materials they use and borrow.
 - Parents and legal guardians retain the responsibility to oversee their children's selection and use of library materials. The library staff does not serve *in loco parentis* (in the place of a parent). It is the responsibility of the parent(s)/guardian(s) to restrict their children, and only their own children, from access to library materials.
 - The library neither denies nor abridges access to materials because of a person's age.
- The library upholds the principles of the American Library Association's Library Bill of Rights, Freedom to Read, Freedom to View, Statement on Labeling, and Free Access to Libraries for Minors as well as the Texas Library Association's Intellectual Freedom Statement.

Responsibility for Resources Selection

• The Library Director delegates selection to the professional library staff.

- Staff members and the general public are encouraged to recommend resources for consideration.
- All professional library staff that collect resources are expected to adhere to the selection priorities, guidelines, and criteria expressed in this policy; and to apply their expertise in making selection decisions.
- The selection of materials does not constitute or imply agreement with or approval of the content, viewpoint, implications, or presentation of the materials.
- Professional staff, as selectors, may look for one or more positive reviews from one or more of these sources: *Booklist, Horn Book, Kirkus, Library Journal, The New York Times Book Review, Publisher's Weekly, School Library Journal, or VOYA.*
- If reviews are not available from the aforementioned sources, selectors may use their judgment to add resources if they determine it enhances the quality of the collection.

Selection Criteria

When selecting resources for collections, the selectors will consider such criteria as:

- 1. Accuracy and currency of information
- 2. Authority and reputation of author, illustrator, publisher, or producer
- 3. Availability of similar resources within the community and other area libraries
- 4. Cost and space required relative to the contribution of the resource to the collection
- 5. Durability
- 6. Evaluation in reputable review sources
- 7. Lack of other available resources on the subject
- 8. Literary quality
- 9. Objectivity
- 10. Popular demand
- 11. Present and potential relevance to community needs
- 12. Price, format, and ease of use
- 13. Relation to the existing collection and other material on the subject

Collection Maintenance

- Resources that no longer meet the collection management objectives of the library are identified, withdrawn, and discarded according to accepted professional practices.
- Withdrawn materials are disposed of in accordance with city and library procedures.
- The withdrawal of worn, outdated, and damaged resources will be carried on continuously.
- The Texas State Library and Archives Commission's <u>CREW: a Weeding Manual for</u> <u>Modern Libraries</u>, along with statistical data reports from the integrated library system are the primary sources used to assist selectors in deselection.

- Generally, discarded materials are given to the Friends of the Rita and Truett Smith Public Library. The Friends have permission to sell discarded materials with income to benefit the library. Damaged items are not given to the Friends to sell.
- The library is not a judicial body, therefore, materials will not be removed from the library for complaints of obscenity, pornography, subversiveness, or any other category covered by law until after receipt of an independent court order. Conversely, materials previously judged unlawful will not knowingly be selected.
- Library resources will not be marked or identified to show approval or disapproval of the contents, nor will items be sequestered, or access denied, except for the purpose of protecting resources from damage or theft.

Donations and Gifts

- The library accepts gifts of materials for the collection using the same collection criteria applied to the purchase of materials. Please see our donation <u>guidelines</u> in order to understand what types of donations we accept.
- The library retains the right to dispose of donated materials by sale or discard.
- Once something has been donated it is considered the property of the library and will not be returned.
- Other monetary gifts, gifts of stock, bonds, endowments, estates, land, etc., are welcomed, provided the Friends of the Library approve the conditions of such gifts.

Stating Concerns about Library Materials

Smith Public Library selects a wide variety of materials that satisfy the diverse interests of our community. The library's varied collection is available to all; however, it is not expected all of the collection will appeal to everyone.

A Wylie resident whose tax dollars support the Smith Public Library and who has been a cardholder for at least six months and is in good standing may submit a concern about materials by the following process:

- Must have completed reading, watching, or listening to the item in question.
- Must read this collection development policy in its entirety.
- Discuss their concerns with the supervisor that oversees the section that houses the material(s) in question.
- If not satisfied, then discuss with the Library Director.
- If not satisfied, a formal letter of concern may be submitted to the Library Advisory Board of The Smith Public Library.
 - The letter must include the name of the item, the reason for the objection and the complainant's name, library card number, current address and contact information.

• Anonymous requests will not be considered.

Once a letter of concern is received the Library Advisory Board will review and make a determination on the request within 90 days. The Library Advisory Board may accept as final the review process the library staff has completed as described above on the material in question. They may choose to take further action by designating up to three Board members to serve on a review committee alongside up to three members chosen by the Library Director in accordance with the Library Advisory Board Bylaws.

- The review committee shall determine whether the material in question meets the standards of this Collection Development Policy.
- The review committee members will examine the material independently.
- The review committee will coordinate a discussion within 60 days of appointment except in unusual circumstances (i.e. illness, transition of personnel, etc.).
- The committee will make a recommendation on appropriate action and present it to the Library Advisory Board and the Library Director at a regularly scheduled board meeting.
- All materials will be judged as a whole rather than by isolated passages.
- The material in question will remain in the collection pending the final decision.

Once the recommendation is made, the Library Director will have the final responsibility of deciding what happens to the material in question. When the decision is announced, that item is not eligible for reevaluation for five years.

Frequency of Policy Review

This collection development policy will be reviewed by the Library Director and Library Advisory Board not less than once every five years.

07/24/2023 Item WS2.

Choosing Books

For the library collection

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Keep in mind:

- All items purchased must adhere to the Collection Development Policy.
- Budgets are finite, so items that are star rated, in high demand or continue a series may be prioritized.
- Most of our books are purchased through Ingram, a major book distributor in the United States, distributing to 40,000+ retailers (including Barnes & Noble), libraries, schools, and universities. We get all items at a discounted price anywhere between 20-40% off list price.
- Librarians rely on professional journal reviews to determine what is best for each collection. Each librarian has collection development responsibilities.
- We run out of funds way before we run out of items to purchase.

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Me and Earl and the Dying Girl (Movie Tie-In Edition) - Not Available - Publisher Out of Stock Indefinitely Contributor(s): Andrews, Jesse (Author)



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Notice that Ingram provides categories when materials are recommended for young adults (teens) and target age groups when appropriate.

We use this information as well as the age ranges recommended in the reviews to determine where the item is shelved in the library.

If there is ever a question, the ordering librarian will discuss with their supervisor if they feel a change needs to be made.

Additional Information

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What reviews look like:

07/24/2023 Item WS2.

Booklist March 1, 2012

Starred Review Greg Gaines, 17, would be the first to tell you that his constant dickhead behavior makes him the least likely person to befriend a classmate dying of leukemia. But he is pushed into it by his mother and, well, the result is this horrifyingly inane, unstoppable barf-fest of a book. Greg prefers to keep a low profile at school, instead collaborating with his almost-gangsta pal, Earl, on terrible remakes of classic films: Apocalypse Later with Super Soakers, The Manchurian Cat-idate with cats. But his knack for cracking jokes keeps the dying girl, Rachel, smiling, and pretty soon the whole school thinks he is some kind of hero. He is even pushed into making a final opus: Rachel the Film, aka the worst film ever made. One need only look at the chapter titles (Let's Just Get This Embarrassing Chapter Out of the Way) to know that this is one funny book, highlighted by screenplay excerpts and Earl's pissy wisdom. What's crazy is how moving it becomes in spite of itself. The characters are neither smart or precocious. Greg is not suitably moved by Rachel's struggle. His film sucks. He thinks bereavement means being attacked by beavers. But it's this honest lack of profundity, and the struggle to overcome it, that makes Andrews' debut actually kinda profound.--Kraus, Daniel Copyright 2010 Booklist

Ingram Screen Shot: Juvenile Book

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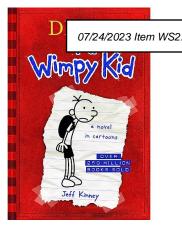
Diary of a Wimpy Kid (Diary of a Wimpy Kid #1) (Diary of a Wimpy Kid #01) Contributor(s): Kinney, Jeff (Author)

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Review of a Juvenile Book:

School Library Journal

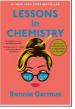
April 1, 2007

Gr 5-8-Greg Heffley has actually been on the scene for more than two years. Created by an online game developer, he has starred in a Web book of the same name on www.funbrain.com since May 2004. This print version is just as engaging. Kinney does a masterful job of making the mundane life of boys on the brink of adolescence hilarious. Greg is a conflicted soul: he wants to do the right thing, but the constant quest for status and girls seems to undermine his every effort. His attempts to prove his worthiness in the popularity race (he estimates he's currently ranked 52nd or 53rd) are constantly foiled by well-meaning parents, a younger and older brother, and nerdy friends. While Greg is not the most principled protagonist, it is his very obliviousness to his faults that makes him such an appealing hero. Kinney's background as a cartoonist is apparent in this hybrid book that falls somewhere between traditional prose and graphic novel. It offers some of the same adventures as the Web book, but there are enough new subplots to entertain Funbrain followers. This version is more pared down, and the pace moves quickly. The first of three installments, it is an excellent choice for reluctant readers, but more experienced readers will also find much to enjoy and relate to in one seventh grader's view of the everyday trials and tribulations of middle school.-Kim Dare, Fairfax County Public Schools, VA (c) Copyright 2010. Library Journals LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted.

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Lessons in Chemistry ROPAC Contributor(s): Garmus, Bonnie (Author)

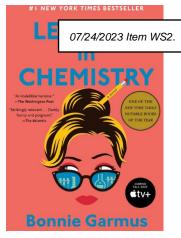


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Review of an Adult Fiction book:



Publishers Weekly February 28, 2022

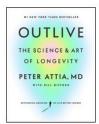
Garmus debuts with a perplexing feminist fairy tale set in 1960s Southern California. Plucky chemist Elizabeth Zott believes she's not like other women ("Most of the women she'd met in college claimed they were only there to get their MRS," Garmus writes. "It was disconcerting, as if they'd all drunk something that had rendered them temporarily insane"). She proceeds to fall madly in love with her colleague, have his child, and then, after being sidelined by double standards, sexual harassment, and scandal around her pregnancy, she's dismissed from her job and becomes an overnight sensation as the host of a daytime cooking show. This trajectory, and its few tragedies, are intermittently interrupted by the anthropomorphized thoughts of her dog, Six-Thirty: "Humans were strange, Six-Thirty thought, the way they constantly battled dirt in their aboveground world, but after death willingly entombed themselves in it." In the end, everything works out—not because the patriarchy is destroyed or fairness is achieved, but thanks to the favors of a rich female benefactor equipped to strike back at those who humiliated Zott. While the scenes of Zott hosting her show do have their charm, the overall effect is about as deep as a Hallmark card. The author has a great voice, but contemporary readers will be left wondering who this is for. Agent: Jennifer Joel, ICM. (April.)

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Outlive: The Science and Art of Longevity ROPAC Contributor(s): <u>Attia, Peter</u> (Author), <u>Gifford, Bill</u> (With)

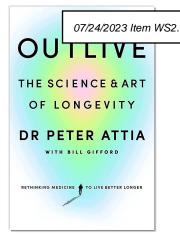


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Additional Information

BISAC Categories: - Health & Fitness Longevity. - Self-Hello Aging - Health & Fitness Diseases & Conditions General - Science Life Sciences Human Anatomy & Physiology. - Medical Physiology.	
LC Subjects:	
- <u>Longevity</u>	-Aging
- <u>Health</u>	-Life sciences
-Informational works	-Self-help publications
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Expertly Curated Lists Greatest HITS Nonfliction March 2023 Midlife Isis: Age like a Goddess Top Adult 600s	
Dewey: 612.68	
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Features: Price on Product , Illustrated , Bibliography , Index , Table of Contents	
Physical Info: 1.6" H x 9.1" L x 7.3" W (1.85 lbs) 496 pages	
Carton Quantity: 12	
Number of Units in Package: 1	

Review of an Adult NonFiction book:



Kirkus Reviews

March 28, 2023

A data- and anecdote-rich invitation to live better, and perhaps a little longer, by making scientifically smart choices. Trained as an oncological surgeon, Attia became interested in longevity because he saw that the "Four Horsemen" worked against it: diabetes, heart disease, cancer, and Alzheimer's disease. All play a role in an unhealthy system, and all interrelate. If you have Type 2 diabetes, then your chances of developing heart disease, cancer, and neurological disorders increases, and if your goal is to live well in old age, then it behooves you to change your ways in order to keep your insulin reception levels in the clear. How to do so? Attia avoids toss-off recommendations, instead examining categories of self-care. One powerful component of healthful living is the sort of exercise that burns body fats and sugar most efficiently. This, too, interrelates with diet. "The best science out there," he writes, "says that what you eat matters, but the first-order term is how you eat: how many calories you take into your body." Accordingly, caloric reduction strategies play a role, combating the effects of what he calls the Standard American Diet, "our default food environment." Attia, a lucid and careful writer, eschews easy recipes for what to eat and how to exercise, for his conception of what he calls Medicine 3.0 tailors self-care to self, as in "know thyself." Therein lies a key point: His book abounds in science and not pat prescriptions precisely because biology doesn't have the same axiomatic certainties as mathematics and because, in order to participate in Medicine 3.0, readers must be truly active and not reactive. "You must be well informed, medically literate to a reasonable degree, clear-eyed about your goals, and cognizant of the true nature of risk," he writes. It may not produce a new Methuselah, but Attia's welcome book deserves the attention of anyone seeking a healthier life. Copyright © Kirkus Reviews, used with permission.

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Me and Earl and the dying girl : a novel

by Andrews, Jesse



Editorial Reviews



Books+Publishing April 1, 2012



The words 'hilarious' and 'cancer' aren't an obvious match, but in Jesse Andrews' debut YA novel, the two meet for a bitingly acerbic look at life and friendship. Until senior year, Greg Gaines has successfully spent his years flying under the radar and hanging out with Earl, remaking art- house movies like Aguirre, the Wrath of God and the much improved (read more)

Booklist Booklist March 1, 2012

Starred Review Greg Gaines, 17, would be the first to tell you that his constant dickhead behavior makes him the least likely person to befriend a classmate dying of leukemia. But he is pushed into it by his mother and, well, the result is this horrifyingly inane, unstoppable barf-fest of a book. Greg prefers to keep a low profile at school, instead collaborating (read more)



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Smith Public Library's PARENT'S GUIDE

to what your kids are reading

Welcome parents! We are so glad you are interested in what your kids are reading. We have so many resources to help you decide what is best for your child. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at libinfo@wylietexas.gov or 972-516-6250.

Resources for parents:

Resource #1 - Our online catalog

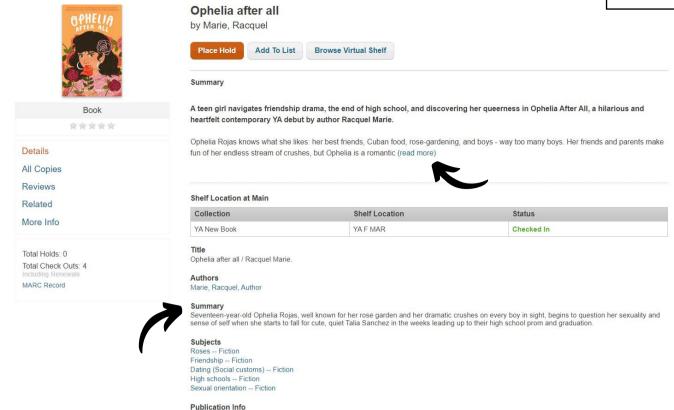
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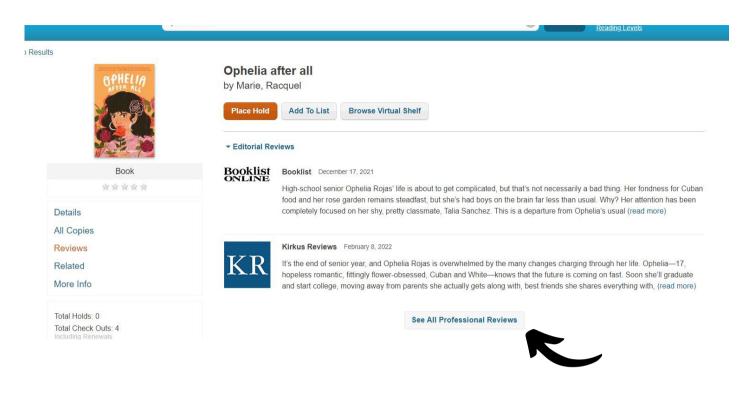
Resource #2 - Journal Reviews from our online catalog

Publications like School Library Journal and Booklist review books and recommend age/grade levels. They also typically discuss content which may also be helpful. You can access these reviews by taking the following steps:

Step 1: After clicking on the title in our <u>library catalog</u>, look for the "Reviews" tab on the menu listed on the left.

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Booklist Booklist

iSt Booklist December 17, 2021

High-school senior Ophelia Rojas' life is about to get complicated, but that's not necessarily a bad thing. Her fondness for Cuban food and her rose garden remains steadfast, but she's had boys on the brain far less than usual. Why? Her attention has been completely focused on her shy, pretty classmate, Talia Sanchez. This is a departure from Ophelia's usual parade of boy-centered crushes—a running joke in her family—and she's not quite sure what it means. Beyond her romantic quandaries, Ophelia is also dealing with the slow disintegration of her once-solid friend group, and the secrets that surface as a result. Filled with realistic elements, this lovely coming-of-age story follows Ophelia as the cubic and the use and downs of high school. Is she really the boy-crazy girl she thought, or is she quer? What's next for her love life and friendships after high school? This touching debut offers an emotional ride that readers will be happy to embark upon.

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Kirkus Reviews February 8, 2022

It's the end of senior year, and Ophelia Rojas is overwhelmed by the many changes charging through her life. Ophelia—17, hopeless romantic, fittingly flower-obsessed, Cuban and White—knows that the future is coming on fast. Soon she'll graduate and start college, moving away from parents she actually gets along with, best friends she shares everything with, and even her beloved rose garden. With so much of her life in flux, she wishes some routines would stay intact. Then Talia—Black and Puerto Rican, quietly intelligent—starts occupying all her thoughts, and she's not sure what that means. The novel is rich in secondary characters, all of whom learn and struggle together in a messy web of teenage friendships. There's Agatha (Black, plus-sized fashionista), on her way to design school and determined to succeed; Lindsay (White, popular as all get out), juggling the expectations of two lovestruck boys and an entire presumptuous world; Sammie (Pakistani American and Muslim, jester and boy next door), whose emotions are fast outgrowing his usual devil-may-care attitude; and Wesley (Korean American) and Zaquariah (Black), both artists navigating their own growing pains. Marie writes Ophelia and her friends through the hurdles and heartaches of senior spring with charm and insight, giving each character complexity and their varied cultural experiences the space, consideration, and depth they deserve. A feel-good and effortlessly inclusive coming-of-age story that deftly captures the aching tension of queer adolescence. (Fiction. 13-18) Copyright © Kirkus Reviews, used with permission.

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Publishers Weekly February 28, 2022

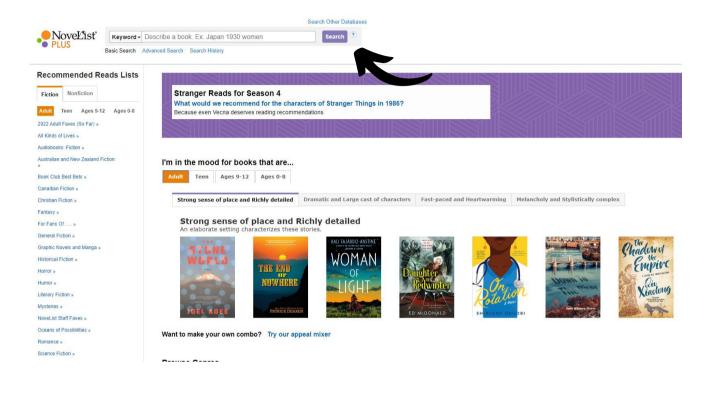
High school senior Ophelia Rojas, who's Cuban and white, is wild about the roses she grows, but to her friends and family, her salient trait is her "thirstiness": always having a crush on some boy or another. Which is why her sudden interest in quiet Afro-Puerto Rican classmate Talia Sanchez surprises and confuses her. Prom's in three weeks, and there's drama in Ophelia's friend group, which includes Black and white characters as well as teens of Korean and Pakistani descent, about who's going with whom. Savvy about the complexity of intersectional identity, debut author Marie packs a lot of action into those three weeks, and shows a wonderful knack for creating sweetly complex relationships—like Ophelia's bond with her parents as well as longtime bestie and neighbor Sammie. While there's plenty of information for teens grappling with sexuality—and inclusive portrayals, including aromantic, asexual, bisexual, and pansexual representation—the book never feels like a manual. Ophelia, Talia, and their friends are fully human creations. Ages 14–up. Agent: Thao Le, Dijkstra Agency. (Feb.)



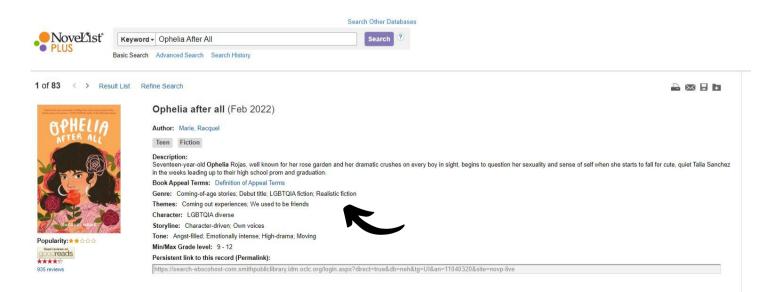
Resource #3 - Novelist

Novelist is a great resource for book recommendations and it is free with your library card. Start by going to <u>our site</u> to access the database.

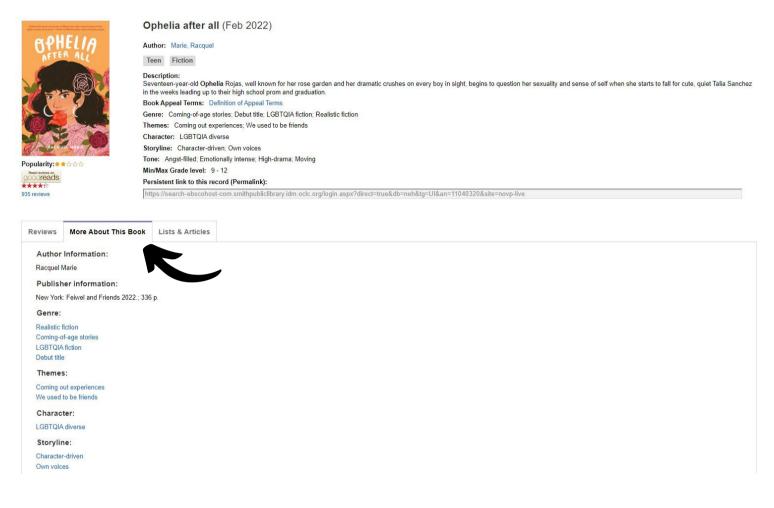
Step 1: Search for the book in question.



Step 2: After clicking on the title, be sure to take a look at the genre field.



Step 3: Look at the "More About This Book" tab underneath the main title info for a bre various themes covered in the book. Notice the reviews shown on our online catalog can also be found here.



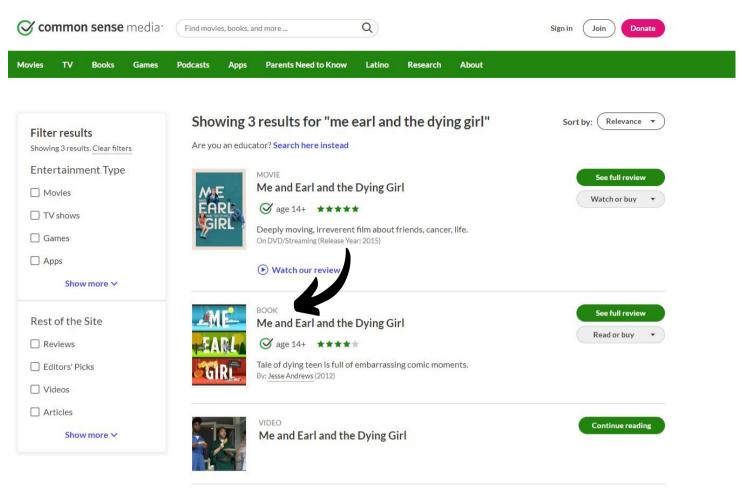
Resource #4 - Common Sense Media

<u>Commonsensemedia.org</u> is an independent review resource that covers books, movies, TV shows and more! Two sections that are often helpful: "A Lot or a Little: The Parents Guide to What's in This Book" and "What Parents Need to Know" provides a quick and easy way to analyze content. They typically only review the most popular and current materials, but they are very comprehensive.

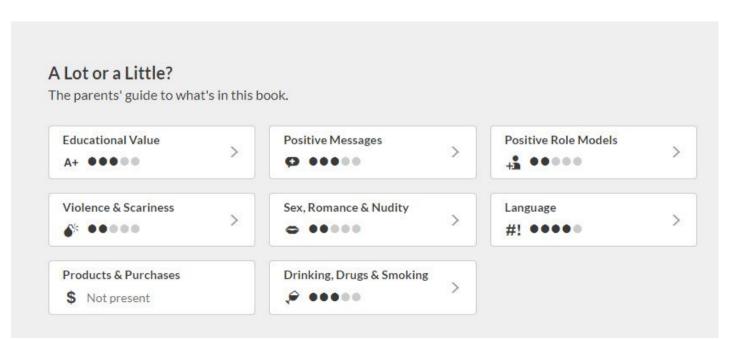


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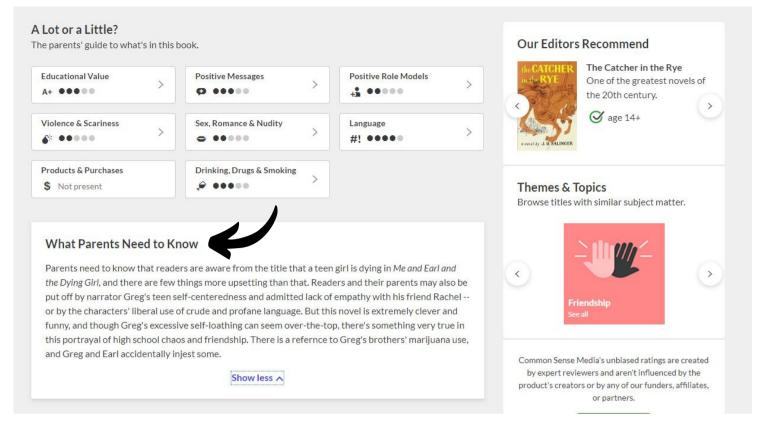
Step 1: Search for a title and click on the format you are interested in.



Step 2: Review the information in the "A lot or a little" section.



Step 3: Scroll down to access the "What Parents Need to Know" section.



Resource #5 - Ask a Líbrarían

Our library staff is happy to help find the perfect book for you and your child! Let us know what it is you like and what you'd like to avoid and we will do our best to find what's right for you.

We hope this guide has been helpful. If you have any questions about this document or about the library, please reach out to us:

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Monthly Report for the Library Advisory Board

(Based on Weekly Reports sent to City Manager's office every Thursday)

June 22 - July 19

Attendance at Events:

- Storytimes 1,515
- Kids Programs 1,308
- Teen Programs 154
- Adult Programs 118
- Outreach 0
- Business Card Exchange 94

Circulation Statistics:

- Circulation (Check-outs + Renewals) 61,496
- Visitors 20,401
- New Borrowers 600
- Drive-Thru Transactions 267
- Number of Holds Processed 5,521

<u>Digital Resources Usage:</u>

(Presented by calendar month)

Libby (Overdrive)				
	June 2023	May 2023	April 2023	March 2023
Unique Users	14,541	15,443	15,025	15,209
Check-Outs	60,150	58,737	55,582	58,041
Holds	25,939	23,462	22,194	22,679
Purchases	481	453	737	601

Hoopla Circulation Counts by Month:								
	Audio	Binge	Comics	Ebooks	Movies	Music	тν	Total
Mar 2023	842	11	90	324	104	55	51	1,477
Apr 2023	882	8	65	334	105	42	43	1,479
May 2023	998	14	121	326	161	35	67	1,722
June 2023	1,019	11	66	364	107	40	30	1,637

Kanopy				
Stats	Visits	Pages	Plays	Minutes
Mar 2023	724	1,220	276	6,926
Apr 2023	646	1,192	240	5,219
May 2023	2,251	2,791	340	7,245
June 2023	2,514	2,985	348	6,122
Kanopy				
Plays by Device	Tablet	Desktop	Mobile	Television
Mar 2023	19.6%	20.7%	29.7%	30.1%
Apr 2023	41.7%	6.3%	32.9%	19.2%
May 2023	36.5%	8.5%	30.9%	24.1%
June 2023		8.3%	31.3%	28.7%

Meetings/Training Highlights:

- 6/22/23 Admin team met to review FY 23 budget
- 6/22/23 Ofilia attended the Rotary meeting
- 6/22/23 Several library staff met w/HR & TMLIRP to discuss liability
- 6/23/23 Ofilia and Lisa met to discuss long term plan survey
- 6/26/23 Ofilia and Michelle attended the Library Advisory Board meeting
- 6/27/23 Ofilia, Lisa and Michelle attended the Board member reception
- 6/27/23 Ofilia attended the Council meeting
- 6/29/23 Ofilia, Lisa and Elizabeth met with Rachael and Jason from WEDC to review Gale Course and other possible resources
- 7/5/23 Ofilia attended the staff meeting
- 7/6/23 Ofilia attended the Rotary meeting first meeting as Club President
- 7/12/23 Ofilia and Lisa attended the Ladies Leadership Lunch
- 7/12/23 Ofilia, Debbie and Elizabeth interviewed two candidates for the Combination Reference Assistant position
- 7/19/23 Ofilia attended meeting to plan Solar Eclipse programming for 2024

Misc. Information:

• 7/4/23 Library closed July 4

July 2023 Items for Future Agenda:

- Policy Familiarization
 - Collection Development (Aug, if needed)
 - Patron Behavior (Aug/Sept)
 - Meeting Room (Sept/Oct)
- FY 24 Budget
- Review Fall programs
- Friends of the Library programs