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## Tuesday, June 2, 2009

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Logic & reason prevailed:

The Library Board on Tuesday night unanimously rejected efforts by a local citizen group to restrict access of young adults to books depicting sex among teenagers or those describing teenage homosexual relationships.

Such books already are separated from children's books, either in a young adult fiction section on the first floor of the library or shelved as young adult non-fiction alongside similar adult texts on the second floor, board members said.

The nine-member board listened for 2½ hours as nearly 60 people discussed the appropriateness of the library providing such books to the public before the board voted to maintain current policies. ([JSOnline](#))

Ginny's position is amusing:

On Tuesday, Ginny Maziarka told the board that if they rejected her petition that she would not consider the library a safe place for children.



But look here:

Ginny seems to have a copy of [Deal With It](#) ....gasp.... right in her own kitchen!

Does that mean *her own home* is also not "a safe place for children"? I mean, if the *entire* library is unsafe for children just because that book is shelved in the "young adult" section, then I'm surely not going to allow my kids near Ginny's house. No ma'am.

(Note: No children were harmed in the making of this blog post)

// Go check out [Emma-le's excellent summary](#) of the night's proceedings.