



## Intellectual Freedom



**Intellectual Freedom**  
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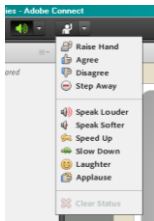
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## Adobe® Connect® Pro™

- Features:
- Chat box
- Attendee List
- Attendee Command Center



*If you have a question or comment, type it into the chat box or "raise your hand"*

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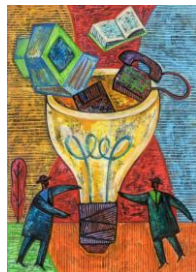
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## Agenda

- Selection
- Complaints
- Bulletin Boards
- Meeting Room Issues
- Internet Use Policy



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## What is Intellectual Freedom?

- Freedom of thought and expression
- Free access to all expressions of an idea
- Right to seek and receive information from all points of view
- Hold, receive and disseminate ideas

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## Privacy

TCA 10-8-102:

no employee of a library shall disclose any library record that identifies a person as having requested or obtained specific materials, information, or services or as having otherwise used such library.



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## Collection Policy

- Balanced
- R-rated materials
  - TCA 39-17-911



- Limiting use by minors
- Collection Development Policy

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## Challenge – Before It Happens

Before it happens:

- Write down the steps
- Educate your board
- Build relationships



In Other Words:  
Be Prepared!

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## Challenge – When It Happens



Go to your happy place.

When it happens:

- Stay positive
- Follow the steps
- Help is available

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## Challenge – When It Happens



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## Bulletin Board Options

- Government agency information
- Educational opportunities
- Non-Profit organizations
- Public events
- Items & Services for Sale
- Length of time, size, approval stamp



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## Meeting Room Policies

- Library is not a public forum
- Fees are allowed
- Reasonable restrictions
  - time limit
  - location
  - size of meeting
- Equally apply restrictions
- Consistent enforcement is key



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## Allowable Restrictions

- Educational programming
- Community groups
- Residency
- Card holders
- Noise levels



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## Non-Allowed Restrictions

- Anything based on content of speech
- Anything based on anticipated reaction
- Any requirements that are not imposed on everyone

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## Internet Use Policy

- CIPA requirements for E-rate programs
  - Filtering technology
  - Internet Safety policy
- Disabling filters
  - For adults
  - Only need to ask
- Community Standards



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## Tennessee Code Title 39 Chapter 17, Part 9

Prohibits sending, receiving, or displaying text or graphics that may be reasonably construed as obscene by community standards are prohibited, regardless of age.

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## Inappropriate

“including, but not limited to, materials that are obscene; that an average person applying contemporary community standards would find the work taken as a whole lacks serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value.”

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## Questions for Wendy?



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## Need Help?

### TLA Intellectual Freedom Committee Chairs

Karyn Brinks, Fulton High School, Knoxville

Sarah Copeland, Cleveland State

<http://tnla.org/displaycommon.cfm?an=1&subarticlenbr=114%20>

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**Thank you!**



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