

Library Advisory Board Meeting  
Monday, July 6, 2026 6:30 pm Minutes

Members Present:

Abby Black – Library Director

Elaine Ebeling - Cochairperson

Karen Amisi - Chairperson

Patti Walcott

Aubree Carlisle

Absent:

Margarett Wheeler

Bradley Bartelmay – Vice Chairperson

Ken Smit - Library Liaison

Jacoba Bouma - Tallmadge Township Liaison

Minutes

I. Call to order

II. Approval of the agenda

III. Approval of the previous meeting minutes, April 6, 2025

IV. Financial report

a. Report for April 1 to June 30, 2026 on target.

b. FY27 Budget Draft involved with Strategic Plan: new circulation desk and staff focus.

V. Communications and correspondence: in board packet

VI. Director's report: ILS migration to Polaris (staff used cloud based software) expected to take a year which initiates staff change to include head of circulation.

VII. Youth Librarian's report:

VIII. Old Business

a. All staff meeting recap: successful with small hiccups like bats and catering. Allendale Friends of the Library choosing not to fund this next year.

IX. New Business

a. Job title change

b. Strategic Plan Presentation

C. Hoopla - tabled for next meeting and possibly invite other library directors TBD

X. Public comment

XI. Adjournment

Next meeting: **Monday, October 5, 2026 at 6:30 PM**