

MINUTES/REPORT OF THE PANTRY COMMITTEE MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NEW ALBANY-FLOYD COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
JULY 27, 2026

Board Committee Members present: Ann Carruthers, Roger Whaley, Kate Ziady

Board Committee Members absent: None

Community Committee Members present: Samantha Reeves, Donald Lopp, Charlotte Bass, Tom Harris, Lane Stumler, Patty Needham, Teresa Keown, Robin Smith, Tyra Curran, Shetwana Martin, Marianne Wiley, Allan Wallace, Danny Russel, Brian Pahner, Michael Finch, Andrew Raker, Kelly Clark, Debi Minnich

Staff Members present: Melissa Foster, Jeremy Armstrong, Erin McCorkle, Emma Rice, Emma Hayes, Aaron Williams, Luis Munoz, Becki Moody

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Trustees Pantry Committee meeting was called to order in the Auditorium at 4:01 pm.

APPROVAL OF JUNE 29, 2026 COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

The committee reviewed the minutes and found no issues.

ESTABLISH MEETING GUIDELINES

The committee agreed on the following guidelines:

- One person speaks at a time
- No judgement; there are no bad ideas
- Be concise
- Central location for information; info structure
- Be respectful
- Personal breaks are OK

SWOT ANALYSIS

The committee brought forward the following points regarding the pantry:

Strengths: Has community support, the library is a trusted community partner, and it provides safety, consistency, and nourishment

Weaknesses: Perceptions/misgivings, misunderstanding of pantry, lack of volunteers

Threats: Date To Care funding and structure change, impact to the library's reputation

Opportunities: Grow volunteer base, collaborate with outside organizations, streamline processes, and fundraising

SET NEXT MEETING

The next pantry committee meeting will be August 3 at 4:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Whaley moved: That the meeting be adjourned.

Seconded by: Ms. Ziady

Motion: approved unanimously