South Berwick Public Library Advisory Board meeting October 19th, 2023.

Katherine Gilchrest, Cara Maxfield, Perrin Chick, Mike Siebach

Motion to approve September minutes by Perrin, second by Cara - approved at 6:36.

Ideas for donors for "Read til you Bleed" prizes. Gift certificates or little prizes. Pumpkins for team pumpkin carving

Party for the teens on Tuesday, 10/31. Costume competition.

November

Suggestions for movies. First movie night went well. Potential projector donation.

Visitor behavior policy review:

Covid policy requested no food or drink. Library will allow beverages with a lid. Food may be allowed in certain areas. Board recommended updating the written posted policy. New wording tentative - "All drinks must be covered. Food allowed in designated area." Board will review next month.

Inviting Friends of the Library into the meeting. Bethany (president of Friends) and Jennifer Austin.

Reviewing what the advisory board does with policy and cover for librarian. FoL - questions about advisory board and what we do.

Friends does fundraising for the library. Annual appeal is biggest fundraiser. Anyone can attend meetings. Book sale is another big one. Bake sale on election day - 11/7. Tries to raise around \$10k/year.

FoL would like to reach more people on social media. Are there opportunities to communicate more effectively with the library to reach more.

Have flyers ready for the election day bake sale.

There are currently 13 "Friends" that actively attend meetings.

Mike - motion to adjourn. Perrin seconded. Approved at 7:18pm.

Attested Char December 12, 2023