

South Berwick Public Library Advisory Board Minutes  
May 24, 2022, 6:30PM

Attendees: Lee Shaw, Chris (Mike) Seibach, David Gagnon, Katherine Gilchrest

Minutes of the April meeting were approved by Mike Seibach and seconded by David Gagnon.

Old Business

- Visitor Behavior Policy

Lee Shaw proposed the following updated wording: **To ensure the safety and well-being of library staff, hostile, intimidating, or threatening behavior directed at staff may result in a suspension of library privileges.**

Mike moved to approve the updated wording, David seconded, and all members present agreed.

- Budget approval update- budget passed without any questions or comments
  - More money for programming and books. Planning to refurbish some nonfiction, get more graphic novels and subscribe to the NY Times.
  - Increasing staff member, Lorena James, hours to 18 hours per week starting in July

New Business

- Getting ready for the summer reading program. The theme this year is Oceans of Possibilities. Kick off party on June 15<sup>th</sup> with a band, ice cone truck and other activities
- Programming updates
  - John Klossner program is 5/25 at 6pm
  - Kathy Gunst is scheduled to for 6/28
  - David offered to do a presentation on opioid addiction. Lee proposed doing it in July.
  - The Strawberry Festival is on 6/25 and the Friends of the Library are discussing having a table and what activities to do
  - Always looking for more programming ideas so if you have any please talk to Lee
- Keeping a close eye on CDC COVID guidance. The new numbers are coming out on Friday, 5/27
- Next meeting: Discuss possible new board member recruitment

Next meeting tentatively will be June 21 at 6:30pm in-person. Recommended the board check in a few days before the 21<sup>st</sup> to decide if there are topics to discuss or if we want to wait until September.

Meeting adjourned at 7:01pm  
Submitted by Katherine Gilchrest

Attested 10/25/22

*Katherine Gilchrest*

