

MINUTES FROM TIF MEETING
FEBRUARY 2, 2017 AT LONGWOOD LIBRARY

The meeting was called to order at 10:10am by Chris DeCristofero. He thanked Lisa Jacobs and Longwood Library for hosting this meeting and informed us that our meeting would be streamed on FaceBook. The minutes from the January meeting were read, and after two corrections were made, the minutes were approved.

Chris then started a conversation about libraries' streaming classes and sharing them with patrons and other libraries to further reach out to the community. Issues discussed:

- Legal questions, such as consent from outside instructors and patrons
- Publicity
- Streaming sites, such as FaceBook Live and You-tube
- Length of classes and patron committment
- Use when there is overflow in classes
- Archiving, stats, chat
- Podcasts
- Equipment, costs, limitations

Alison from Longwood Library told us about Niche Academy, an online learning platform made for libraries. The platform gives individual libraries their own online academy that can be used as a teaching tool for both patrons and staff. Libraries create their own online classes, similar to Lynda.com.

- Train patrons and staff
- Create online versions of library computer classes
- Create content: your own from scratch or edit existing content
- Video and downloads for patrons
- Access statistics and reports on patron education
- Share with other academies
- Social media promotion, website integration

The meeting concluded with a roundtable discussion:

- Overdrive can now sync between devices
- Wake on lan – set in BIOS – good for updates
- Crayon Kiosk for Ipads
- Google Chrome not secure warning
- Odilo digital content

The meeting ended at 12:40pm. The next meeting will be held at Emma S. Clarke Library on March 2nd at 10am.

