

**Technology Information Forum Meeting
January 7, 2016 @ Sachem Public Library**

The meeting was called to order at 10:15am by Bob Johnson. The minutes from December 3, 2015 were approved after a motion from Dominic Iadiccio and seconded by Chris DeCristofaro. Bob turned the meeting over to Chris who went over the meeting schedule for 2016. We are still looking for hosts for the April 7th, May 12th and Dec. 1st meetings.

Chris then introduced Alex Boris, a page at Sachem Public Library and a Computer Science major at Stony Brook University. Alex gave a presentation on teaching coding to young adults with the help of various websites.

- Codeacademy.com: learn to code interactively for free
- Collabedit.com: collaboration in real-time
- JetBrains.com: development tools for professionals
- Compilejava.net: runs and tests code
- Code.org: computer science for children through young adults

Chris spoke about utilizing staff members and their talents or skills in library programs. Increased staff moral as well as confidence/motivation boosters were advantages, but he suggested that a check of civil service rules regarding staff involvement should be made.

A round table discussion followed with conversations on Makerspace, desktops vs. laptops vs. iPads, printing problems, DVD pods, coding programs, Direct Print, MS Word 2013, and locking down Windows 10.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Schott