TECHNOLOGY INFORMATION MEETING
November 13, 2014 @ Emma Clark Library

The meeting was called to order by Bob Johnson. On a motion from Wendy Reeve and seconded by Ellen Druda, the minutes of the last meeting were approved. Bob Johnson introduced Stephen Ingram, Chris DeCristofaro, and Ellen Druda, who ran the meeting.

Bob gave us some information about a new technology called Osmo that he has in his Children's Room. Osmo is a unique gaming accessory for the iPad that comes with games that stimulate a child's imagination and fine motor skills. You can check it out at playosmo.com and see it in action in Emma Clark's Children's Room. Bob also informed us that he, Ellen and Stephen gave their *IT vs Librarian* presentation last week at NYLA. It was enthusiastically received.

Ellen spoke about 3D printing at Half Hollow Hills Library. They purchased a MakerBot 5th generation printer, which, after dealing with software and firmware issues, is now working well. They also purchased a Duplicator, but have not yet rolled it out to the public. They give one appointment per day for 1 hour, and a trained staff member works with the patron. They can choose predesigned projects or projects found on Thingaverse. The charge is 50 cents per ½ hour. They have had good response from the public so far. They are working on a policy and procedure for the printer with such questions as location, signed agreements, age limit, future programs, and what can be printed being addressed. Ellen said that the cost for the whole package, including additional color spools, is approximately $5000.

Stephen spoke about an Overdrive Discovery Station, which will allow libraries to curate their own content at some point. He also spoke about prepping staff on new technologies.

Other items discussed were Sierra, Virtual Servers, Google Apps, Virtualization in-house, and privacy concerns.

The next meeting, our Annual Meeting, will be at Connetquot Library on Thursday, December 4th at 10am. We will also have a holiday party after the meeting and our "Secret Techie" gift exchange. If you want to participate, bring a wrapped $15 techie gift. An email will be going out for food and drink signup.

Respectfully submitted by
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