

**Brooks Memorial Library
Technology Committee Meeting
August 21, 2014 8:00 AM**

Present: Howard Burrows; Adam Franklin-Lyons; Jennifer Lann

Arriving at 8:45 AM: Jerry Goldberg

Staff: Jerry Carbone; Jeanne Walsh

- 1. Addition to the agenda: Jerry Goldberg to join the committee:** We clarified that Jeanne and Jerry provide staff support to the committee and do not contribute to forming a quorum.
- 2. Addition to the agenda: New technology equipment:** The library is seeking to add technology equipment from funding available for participating libraries of the tech intern program. May include a digital camera for in-library use and a portable screen and LCD projector for circulation or possible rental.
- 3. Technology Plan training opportunity:** The Vermont Dept. of Libraries (VTLIB) is offering an all-day technology plan workshop in Berlin, VT on Sept. 10. Committee discussed usefulness of the workshop for a library whose plan was praised by VTLIB as a model plan. VTLIB offers high-quality, useful workshops, and Howard announced his intention to register and to send us notes from the workshop.
- 4. Impact Survey:** Part of the EDGE Initiative, a technology hardware self-inventory tool that could conceivably inform the new technology plan. The Impact Survey measures how and why the public uses the library's computers and Internet services and how it impacts their lives. BML was selected to be one of six VT libraries to debut the survey, which will be run Sept. 1-21 via invitations on the public access computers, button on homepage, and an invitational window for patrons who use the library's wifi. Library incentives (e.g., extra computing time, extra printing) and local business incentives (e.g., free cup of coffee) will be offered, along with an iPad Mini raffle from VTLIB. Survey participation gives a library points towards the EDGE Initiative, but the library hasn't decided yet whether to fully participate in EDGE. Something to discuss in our next meeting after more is learned.
- 5. Planning to update the 2008-21012 Technology Plan:** Tabled to next meeting.

NEXT MEETING: September 26, 2014 8:30-9:30 AM