

**NILES PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE
March 16, 2011**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order in the Board Room at 6960 Oakton in Niles, Illinois by President Morgan Dubiel at 6:00 pm. Also present were: Barbara Nakanishi, Dennis O'Donovan, Maureen Polcyn and Linda Ryan. Chris Ball and Sam Puleo were absent.

Also present were: Don Burkhart, Information Services Supervisor, Susan Lempke, Youth Services Supervisor, Ann Pasnick, Technical Services Supervisor, Linda Weiss, Library Director and Richard Wozniczka, Information Services Specialist.

IT Services met with the Technology Committee to discuss the need to upgrade the library's existing and aged core servers and storage solution in order to meet the immediate and future needs of the library. IT Services recommends hiring an outside Network Technology Consultant to audit what is being used now and to gather data and information from IT Services in order to provide an additional evaluation of present and future core server technology needs. IT Services supplied handouts documenting their recommendations along with graphical views of the library's present network highlighting in yellow which equipment IT Services was focusing upon for replacement. IT Services recommended that the library incorporate "Virtualization" and SAN (Storage Area Network) technology to replace the current server technology via an additional handout. This recommendation focuses on better ROI for the library, using less physical server equipment, better uptime for all critical services supported by the core servers and storage solution and built-in expandability for future needs. It was agreed upon that IT Services would contact 4 or 5 consulting firms in order to request their quote for providing the library with a core server and storage evaluation. IT Services will then bring the these quotes back to the committee.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:32 pm.

Morgan Dubiel - President

Maureen Polcyn - Secretary