

# Brooks Memorial Library Technology Committee

## Minutes of March 4, 2026

Attendees: Nikki Holland, Margaret Atkinson, Matthew Wojcik, Bob Ferrante

Meeting Called to Order: **4:37pm**

Approval of previous meeting minutes: **Approved.**

Consent agenda: **Yes**

- Continuing business
  - Talking about Tech (last Saturday)
    - Matt's report:
      - Smaller turnout than the first meeting. Maybe many people have gotten the word out about how to defend against scams, so they didn't feel they needed to hear about that again.
      - Some repeats, some new people.
      - Talked about online scams the entire meeting. Unlike the first meeting, where we had time for people to help each other at the end. Matt was responding to the interests of the group.
      - For next month, what will be the next topic and who will be the presenter.
      - Next few: 3/28, 4/25, 5/23.
      - Bob could maybe talk for 30 minutes about AI (?)
      - Or we can get Gemma to do a presentation.
      - Brattleboro parking app possible topic? Seth Thomas has also done some writeups – he might want to come talk about the app.
      - Nikki: Could we talk about the ABC directory? Maybe that and a potpourri of tech resources in the town?
      - Nikki: Suggestion: Set time aside for filing out the survey at the end, otherwise they won't do it.
      - Matt: We used the AI generated pic twice – maybe we don't want to use it again?
      - Bob: What if we design a badge for TaT, vary the pic, and then badge every month's poster with the badge? We could request a design from the HS marketing students.
      - Bob... we could do 100 presentations about AI, but let's pick a narrow topic with broad interest
        - AI for simple tasks (using AI assistance to write or research)
        - AI assistance to edit photos
        - AI assistance to generate new graphics, videos, etc.
        - How does AI work? A brief history.
        - Probably Bob could take the April meeting.



- We mentioned it in the Press Release when we got the grant. We could remind them via the newsletter.
  - The new public computers all have the Elements (lite) versions of Adobe Photoshop and Premier (photo and video editing).
  - Flatbed scanner in Room C, which might be better advertised.
  - There's still an ongoing negotiation about what appears in the newsletter. Everybody wants the headliner.
  - Add to next month's agenda.
- Next meeting date: **April 1**
  - Adjourned: **5:26pm**