Speed City Sisters in Crime Zoom Meeting Remote Access Aug. 28, 2021

11 a.m. – Business Meeting 12 – 2 p.m. – Keith Roysdon

Call to Order – Janet Williams

Minutes – Ramona Henderson (Motion to accept; all in favor; all opposed)

Treasurer's Report – Brigitte Kephart (Motion to accept pending audit)

Membership – Elizabeth San Miguel

Website/Communications/Blog – Hawthorn Mineart/Carol Paddock

Programs – Janis Thornton

Vice president/marketing – Carol Paddock

Welcome to new members and visitors

Old Business:

- 2021 anthology Update from Editor Diana Catt and book designers as well as clarification of payments. Authors and members will be able to buy the book, which lists for \$16.99, for \$9. Authors and members will send your orders to Janet Williams by Sept. 15, and we will place the order. We are also getting bookmarks made.
- First Friday write-in This will continue the first Friday in September.
- Critique group continues to meet an hour before the regular meeting on the fourth Saturday of the month. Send information to Russ Eberhardt.
- We will continue meeting via Zoom until the pandemic subsides as we look for a place to meet in person in 2022. We will need to find another location because Barnes and Noble on 86th Street is no longer available to us. Open to suggestions as we await the IRS letter. The IRS is now processing our request for an official letter certifying the chapter is a 501C6 organization.
- **November election of officers** -This is an opportunity to play a role in the organization. All positions are open and let Janet Williams know if interested in participating on the nominating committee. Ramona Henderson has served two years as secretary and is stepping down.
- **New Logo** Hawthorn Mineart developed a new logo that adapts to all forms of social media. The marketing committee has approved, and we are awaiting approval from national, whose board meets in mid-September.
- Prime Crime at the Columbia Club sent letter to organizers of the event requesting that given the issues with past events the organizers have a code of conduct for panelists and attendees and an enforcement mechanism. No response yet.

New Business

- Our chapter has applied to participate in the Indianapolis Public Library author fair that falls on Halloween weekend, Oct. 30 a perfect time for our new anthology. Should hear by mid-September.
- Indiana History Center holiday author fair is Dec. 4 and we have applied. We should hear by mid-September.
- The Monrovia Branch Library is hosting an Author's Fair on Nov. 27, and we are participating. We will have our own table and be able to sell and promote their books from 10 AM to noon. The event will be followed by a light lunch at 12:30 with the Monrovia Library Writers Group. This is Thanksgiving weekend and we need volunteers.

Ongoing updates

• <u>Retreat committee</u> –Postponed to 2022. Brigitte, Carol, Janet, Janis, Diana, Elizabeth are on the committee and welcome any other members who want to join us.

Member announcements

Future Speakers and Meeting Dates

- Sept. 25: J. C. Kinney, Write What You Know With A Twist
- Oct. 23:
- Nov. 27:
- Next Board Business Meeting: Sept. 14 @ 6 p.m.
- Next SinC meeting: Sept. 25 @ 11 a.m.