

**Speed City Indiana Chapter of Sisters in Crime  
Minutes for Saturday Oct. 28, 2023**

Hybrid in-person and Zoom meeting called to order at 11:08 a.m. by Diana Catt at the Carmel Public Library.

Minutes: Brigitte Kephart moved and Jon Burroughs seconded motion to approve September minutes. Passed by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's report: Brigitte Kephart reported October started with a balance of \$3,610.71. With sales from Midwest Writer's Workshop and the Author's Patch the new final total is \$3,736.70. Tony Perona moved and Norm Campbell seconded to Approve the treasurer's report pending audit. Passed unanimously.

Membership: No report.

#### Old Business

Speed City anthology update:

Tony Perona, one of the editors, reported that he is pleased with how it turned out. Corrections have been made to the e-proof and the nation chapter of Sisters in Crime has approved the cover design. Elizabeth San Miguel is working to get a physical proof to review. Hoping the chapter can do a book launch on Nov. 16 at an event at the Author's Patch in Danville.

There was a question about the cost of the book to authors and Tony said he didn't know. Mary Bischoff said that the contracted noted the cost to authors would be \$8 a copy. Norm asked about an alternate date if the books aren't ready by Nov. 16. Tony said he didn't know.

Russ reported that he scheduled an event at Between the Pages in Lebanon for Nov. 18 from 1-4 p.m., the day of the last Speed City chapter meeting of 2023. Steve Terrell objected to the timing because it would overlap with the November program, a past president of Sisters in Crime via Zoom.

It was also noted that the chapter needs to order more copies of past anthologies – Decades of Dirt and Circle City Crime.

Election update:

Michael Dabney is lining up candidates to hold chapter offices in 2024. The election will be held Nov. 18 and members will be able to vote in person or electronically. Michael will tally the votes.

#### New business

#### Retreat

Janet Williams shared that she visited Waycross Conference Center as a possible site for a Speed City retreat in the fall of 2024. The only weekend available is in early November and most members did not want to go too late in the season. Membership voted unanimously on a motion made by Tony and seconded by Brigitte to schedule the retreat at Waycross in 2025. Janet is reaching out to learn which dates are available.

#### Events

Russ Eberhart reported that events have been scheduled on Nov. 16 at the Author's Patch and Nov. 18 at Between the Pages. He also noted that the Irvington Historical Society has a Nightmare Before Christmas event scheduled for Dec. 16 where our chapter might be able to participate.

The November meeting will be held at the Lawrence branch of the Indianapolis Public Library.

Meeting adjourned at 12 p.m.