

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

11 a.m. – Business Meeting

12 – 2 p.m. – Speaker John Gilstrap with lead a two-hour writing workshop

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

Old Business:

- 2021 anthology – Update from Editor Diana Catt. Rewrites due by March 31; and publication on Sept. 15. Hoping for a title by mid-April and a cover by the middle of May so marketing can begin.
- Book sales update.
- We will continue meeting via Zoom until the pandemic subsides as we look for a place to meet in person later in the year.
- Member dues Speed City Sisters in Crime member dues are \$15 per year – easy to re-up online.
- Writers event on April 27 at 6: 30 p.m. in conjunction with the Plainfield Guilford Township Public Library – Putting the Mysteries in Mysteries. Panel so far: Tony Perona and his daughter and writing partner, Liz; and Michael Dabney will moderate the panel. We need at least two possibly three more volunteers to participate on the panel and discuss our anthologies, our chapters and how members approach the craft of writing a mystery.
- First Friday write-in – This will continue the first Friday in April.
- Critique group continues to meet an hour before the regular meeting on the fourth Saturday of the month
- Marketing committee update – Carol Paddock, committee chair

New Business

- Plainfield event: Similar to the Washington library event we will put on a panel for the Plainfield Library 6:30 p.m. April 27.
- February speaker and March panel on Demystifying Mystery Writing have been posted to chapter's YouTube channel.
- Chapter vote on spending \$650 to get an official letter from the IRS certifying the chapter is a 501C3 organization. We need this letter in order to prove that we are a not-for-profit organization if we want to meet in public spaces like libraries. We hope to resume in-person meetings by late summer.

Ongoing updates

- Retreat committee –Postponed to 2022. Brigitte, Carol, Janet, Diana, Elizabeth

Member announcements

Meeting Dates

- March 27 – John Gilstrap
- April 24 – Susan Crandall
- May 22 – William Kent Krueger
- June 26
- July 24
- August 28
- September 25
- October 23
- November 27
- Next Board Business Meeting: April 15 @ 6 p.m.
- Next SinC meeting: April 24 @ 11 a.m.