

Speed City Sisters in Crime
Zoom Meeting Remote Access
April 24, 2021

11 a.m. – Business Meeting

12 – 2 p.m. – Speaker Susan Crandall

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

Welcome to new members

Old Business:

- 2021 anthology – Update from Editor Diana Catt. Update on title and open it up for members to submit cover designs.
- Book sales update.
- We will continue meeting via Zoom until the pandemic subsides as we look for a place to meet in person perhaps as early as mid-summer if most are vaccinated and the number of COVID cases has subsided.
- 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: Tony Perona, Liz Dombroski, Russ Eberhart, Cheryl Shore and Brenda Stewart. Michael Dabney will moderate the panel.
- First Friday write-in – This will continue the first Friday in May.
- 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
- Starting process of getting an official letter from the IRS certifying the chapter is a 501C6 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. Last month we voted to spend up to \$650 to obtain the letter.

New Business

- Speed City chapter has a table at the Elwood Home, Health and Garden show from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on May 15. We will need three people willing to work our table, which will be in a newly designated authors alley. Let me (janetw5112@gmail.com) if you would like to work the Speed City table.
- Our chapter has agreed to do a panel for the Louisville Sisters in Crime chapter June 12. The time is 1 p.m. Topic is up to us and we can always expand on the panels we have done for Washington and Plainfield. We need volunteers to participate, including someone willing to serve as moderator.
- We applied for \$400 chapter grant that can be used on operating expenses.

Ongoing updates

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

Member announcements

Meeting Dates

- April 24 – Susan Crandall
- May 22 – William Kent Krueger
- June 26 – Debra Des Vignes, founder of the Indiana Prison Writers Workshop
- July 24
- August 28
- September 25
- October 23
- November 27
- Next Board Business Meeting: May 13 @ 6 p.m.
- Next SinC meeting: May 22 @ 11 a.m.