

IFWA MEETING
Thursday, December 5, 2019, 7:00 PM
Sentry Box
MINUTES

Information Items:

New Members: Jason Rude (writes fantasy and science fiction mix), Jackson Praythor (writes high fantasy that is tending toward gunpowder fantasy and/or dark fantasy)

Attendance: 37

Time	Topic	Person
7:30 PM	<p><u>Crits for December</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crit 1: Kevin Weir - 1950's Urban Fantasy Crit by Daniel Wright, Dave Worsick • Crit 2: Ed Wilson - Science Fiction - short story Crit by Michael Gillett, Leslie Scrimshaw • 	<p>Selene Randy / Adrian</p> <p>Selene / Keith</p>
	<p><u>Crits for JANUARY, 2020</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crit 1: Ellen – Modern day horror short story Crit by Steve Swanson, Brent Nichols • Crit 2: Dan – Science Fiction Western with horror elements (2 chapters) Crit by Rob, Adriaan 	Selene
8:00 PM	<p><u>Skills Session</u></p> <p>Practical Scrivener</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Presentation in PDF format 	Calvin
8:30 PM	<p><u>Call for Agenda Items</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 	Michael

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8:35 PM	<p><u>Brag</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celeste – has story in Neo-Opis • Ron – been to Israel – gave Hebrew presentation and did panel with Brandon Sanderson • Ed – got job offer but turned it down – didn't want to live in Prince George – have 2 other jobs in prospect • Susan – audio book for Burst of Fire came out – Video for Burst of Fire came out (Randy is in it) • Ellen – accepted in Hundred Word Horrors Book 4 • Randy – Christmas Carol Murders is out – Dec 21 new novel out – Murder in Mazatlan • Kevin - Endless Hunger series – Publisher asked for 2nd book • Susie Vadori – end of October – wrote and performed at Rosa Awards – finishing a manuscript – nine days at Spruce Meadows for book sales • Calvin – finished short story for Chinatown Publication – Broadsheet to be published in Feb. • Steve Swanson – Dragon Assassins finished book 2 • Sandy Fitzpatrick – finished volume 2 of Shapeshifter trilogy – will be reading in Taste of Local authors – Magazine of Science fiction and Fantasy – rejected story, but loved world building • Chris Carolan – cover for first novel – Feb 25 release 	Michael
8:40 PM	<p><u>Discuss / Decide</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Market Expo Report (Sandy) – had 9 authors – 15 people raised hands – 2 tables – pictures went up and had anthologies – filled up 1 table – Did not sell a lot - \$271 worth – had applications for Calgary Expo so... • Calgary Expo Funding (Sandy) – spring expo 1 table is \$400 – put in application in for \$20 off price. Motion we should spend \$400 to get a Table (Sandy) Susan seconded – discussion – Vote unanimous – no abstain or against • Archery Games Night (Susan) * see next page for details – IFWA cover half the cost so it comes to \$10 per person depending on how many comes out – use it to have fun or do research – only 9 people interested. So maybe drop it now. Michael will blast it out reminder • Bios – who does it? – Adriaan Brae – will also have administration rights. Send bios to Calvin for now. 	Michael

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8:55 PM	<p><u>Announcements</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2019 IFWA Christmas Party –December 14 at Susan Forest’s home. Time 6:00 pm - No gift exchange - will spend money on pizza - Bring something to share and something to drink. • A Taste of Local Authors - Dec. 12, 2019, 7:00 pm. at Owl’s Nest Books (815A - 49th Ave. SW, Calgary) IFWits such as Susan Forest, Adria Laycraft, Rick Overwater, Rob Bose, and Craig DiLouie will be there reading from their new books. • Writers in the House – hosted by Randy McCharles – will be held January 3-5, 2020 – Calgary Delta South – 135 Southland Dr. SW. Join local writers for a LONG weekend of writing (three days this time). Drop by any time from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday, January 3, Saturday January 4, and Sunday, January 5. 	Michael

Next Meeting: JANUARY 2, 2020

Skills Session: Ann Cooney – The Proverbial “First Page”