IFWA MEETING Thursday, July 2, 2020, 7:00 PM ONLINE MINUTES

Information Items:

New Members: <u>Karen Schaefer</u> (working on novel – character-based science fiction, <u>Dermot Byrne</u> (been keeping a journal since age 13 – kept journal of all the houses he painted – Random Thoughts of the Average House Painter – once retired – writes supernatural fiction)

Attendance: 21 online on Zoom

Time	Торіс	Person
7:00 PM	Critiques	Selene
	 Crit 1: Sandy F. – Short story – 7400 words – Fantasy based in a Celtic world Crit by Shannon Allan / Fernando Girotto Crit 2: Morwen "The Grand Fusion" Novel excerpt – Crit by Suzy V. / Michael – (cancelled due to Morwen's absence) 	Shannon / Fernando Suzy / Michael
	 Crits for August, 2020 Crit 1: Dermot Byrne – Supernatural Rural Fantasy Crit by Calvin, Val King Crit 2: Val King – novel excerpt about werewolves and vampires Crit by Cassandra Arnold, J. Paul Cooper 	Selene
8:00 PM	Skills Session Susan Forest – Copyright & Contracts • See attached Presentation	Susan Forest
8:30 PM	Call for Agenda Items •	Michael
8:35 PM	 Brags Suzy Vadori – launched Wall of Wishes online came out 3 months early Susan Forest – got 1) Book Launch at WWC 2) Sold short story to Westward Magazine – How to Make Action/Adventure Videos (article) Sandra Fitzpatrick – story into Sirius science fiction – got an email from them – want to buy story – up on Sirius Science Fiction. Called Ultimate Evil. Rex Lenicek – Wrote a script for a short film and filmed it over Father's Day weekend. First completed and published form of writing. 	Michael
8:40 PM	 <u>Discuss / Decide</u> WWC Online Festival – Scheduled List Second Zoom Line for WWC Festival 	Michael

Time	Торіс	Person
	 Themes for Bedtime Stories – Vote on Ideas: ABC (Anything But COVID) 5 Enchantment Palace 2 Deep Moon 2 Crimson Eleven N/A Kiss of Stars 8 7 6 Gravity Street 7 8 10 OUR THEME Stolen Darkness 4 Pandora's Trunk 6 3 	
8:55 PM	 Announcements The Aurora Awards ballot is out. Congratulations to all the nominees. A few IFWITS are on the ballot including Susan Forest, Hayden Trenholm, Liz Westbrook-Trenholm, Swati Chavda, Randy McCharles and Ron Friedman. Also out, is the voters package which you can download at the Members page located at the Prix-Aurora Award website. Voting closes on July 25, 2020. Owls Nest is open. They are providing free local delivery and/or curbside pickup. 	Michael

Next Meeting: Thursday August 6, 2020 (ONLINE)

Next Skills Session: Kevin Weir – Live Book Reading