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First Friday September

Attendance: Cathy Green, Jim Thomas, Perrienne Lurie, Madeleine Yeh, Kim Hargan, Sam Lubell, Mark Roth, Apurva Desai, Sam Scheiner, Bob MacIntosh, Greg Key, Courtni Burleson, Deirdre & Bosley, Paul Haggerty, ZenLizard, Rodger Burns, Judy Newton, frances Holland, Judy Kindell, Bill Lawhorn, Carolyn Frank, Gayle Surrette, Mike Taylor, Michael Ikeda, Wayne F, Elizabeth Twitchell, Rodger Burns, Sarah Mitchell

Meeting called to order at 8:15pm
Minutes of previous meeting read

Treasurer: we have just under 90K because we had to prepay stuff for hotel for next year already

Capclave Present: currently have paid registration of 160. will send notice of workshops to schools this weekend. Program should be done tomorrow Apurva has set up volunteer sheet already. 6 hours = discount

Capclave Future: Sam Lubell has GOHs Joe and Gay Haldeman.
Dates – Sept. 19-21

Capclave Far Future: Nothing official to report. Dates likely to be 1st or 2d weekend in October

Nothing to report on websites or wsfa press

Entertivities: Sam L – new series Kaos, orpheus myth Jeff Goldblum, Takoma Park Folk Festival on Sunday as Zeus/ Perrienne liked Sunny on appletv+

Committee to Actually Discuss SF: Asimov's today, 3rd Friday August issue of Lightspeed

Old business – no

New Business: Rodger for 2025 wants online Dodocon March 15. passed with 1 abstentions

Sam L – book club will meet 3rd Wednesday in October 7:30pm near a metro. Decide at next meeting. We'll read Dungeon Crawler Carl

No one was there for their 1st, 2nd, or 3rd meeting

Announcements: Carolyn's cat has recovered. No more cone of shame.

Meeting adjourned at 9:04pm

Third Friday September

Attendance: Perrienne Lurie, Bob MacIntosh, Kim Hargan, Ellen Montgomery, Mark Roth, Sam Lubell, Madeleine Yeh, Carolyn Frank, Greg Key, Michael Ikeda, Cathy Green, Sam Scheiner, Kathi Overton, Judy Kindell, Paul Haggerty, ZenLizard, Gayle Surette, Sarah Mitchell, Bill Lawhorn, Judy Newton, Mike Taylor

Meeting called to order at 8:15pm

Secretary read summarized version of minutes of previous meeting.

Treasurer: Will be ending CD ladder because the interest isn't worth locking up our money anymore.

Capclave present: The pre-registration numbers look good this year. We're still not back to pre-covid, but we're moving in the right direction. Kim, our onsite registration person is definitely going to need help, so please sign up. Apurva has sent round a sign up form via the ewsfal list. We definitely need help there, especially at the start when most people are likely to show up. Even if you don't sign up,

we're happy to have people just show up and say "I'm here to help." So in particular 4-7 Friday and 10am to noon Saturday. Apurva – we need more people signing up. So far 6 unique people have signed up for a bunch of slots. Apurva entered the Zipsers by hand because they had trouble signing up. The program grid is up, so hopefully now that people know the schedule they'll sign up for volunteer slots. Cathy Green asked for help getting workshop info to the NVCC creative writing teachers because their emails are no longer publicly available. We're going to need help with move in on Friday. Lunch in the green room with GOHs. Thursday, staff dinner with Matt. Lots of authors have signed up for the individual signing opportunities not just the mass autographing. Logistics discussion re: load in and pick up of BSFS stuff, program books etc.

Capclave Future: has added Naomi Kritzer as a GOH. Still looking for onsite registration person, also needs pre-con registration person.

Capclave Far Future and Dodocon. Been talking to people, but nothing formal yet.

Paul and Gayle: Has the trophy for WSFA Small Press Award. Has ironed out problems was having with WSFA Press Stuff. Zambia properly integrated with capclave website.

Committee to discuss SF: We'll be doing Sept/Oct Asimov's, then Clarkesworld then either F& if it shows up or Analog

Entertivities: Netflix just dropped entire animated Twilight of the Gods

Old Business: Sam will be raising the rates for his Capclave \$5 across the board including dealers. For book club people at least want to start off doing it on zoom rather than in person and then maybe once in a while do it in person. First meeting on Thursday the 10th, will do first book in Dungeon Crawler Carl series at 7:30pm. Sam will send an email and ask Courtni to add it to the meet up.

No one present for 1st, 2nd, or 3rd meeting.

Announcements: Secretary made usual announcement. Perrienne reminded people about Euroquest in Annapolis. BSFS book club will unfortunately happen during Capclave, but book is Splinter in the Sky by Comton Crook winner Kemi Ashing-Gura. Judy Kindell reminded people about the Arlington County Central Library semi-annual book sale. City of Alexandria Central Library book sale happening this weekend. Kathi Overton reminded people about shows at the David M Brown Planetarium.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52pm

First Friday October

Attendance: Rodger Burns, Cathy Green, Aaron Pound, Perrienne Lurie, Sam Lubell, Mark Roth, Bob MacIntosh, Carolyn Frank, Michael Ikeda, ZenLizard, Judy Newton, Madeleine Yeh, Sam Scheiner, Michael Taylor, Bill Lawhorn, Frances Holland, Courtni Burleson, Sarah Mitchell Jim Thomas, Greg Key, Elizabeth Twitchell, Kim Hargan

Meeting called to order at 8:15pm

Treasurer: past Capclave prior to paying final bill we have just shy of 100K which is 3K more than same time last year.

Capclave past: GOHs made it home safely. 350 members. 270 paid, 70 or so comped, over 110 at door. Didn't charge for anyone coming after 1pm Sunday. Needs to have debrief with Sam about what worked, what didn't with the space allocation, etc. Leftover soda is going to Philcon

Capclave present: Treasurer doesn't yet know how many memberships sold at con. Joe and Gay Haldeman and Naomi Kritzer as GOHs

Capclave Future: nothing to report

Committee to Discuss SF: Asimov's current issue, bookclub on Oct 10 to discuss Dungeon Crawler Carl. 3rd Friday Oct. will discuss Clarkesworld, 1st Fri Nov F & SF summer issue, 3rd Friday Oct. issue of Lightspeed, 1st Fri Dec Nov/Dec issue of Asimov's

Dodocon – drafted a plan and timeline at Capclave. Single biggest question is when to go live with publicity

Entertivities: Perrieanne – Wild Robot animation is gorgeous, movie made her cry, not clear what the animals were eating in the house in the winter. Sam L said BSFS bookclub on 4th Saturday will discuss Haunting of Hill House by Shirley Jackson

No old business

New business – we need people to man tables at Philcon and Boskone. Rodger wants to do a run through of the cooperative game Heros of the Multiverse before the next WSFA meeting. 7Pm play through. Aaron and ZenLizard expressed interest. President said to put it on ewsfal list

Announcements: Sam L – happy 5785! Perrieanne – Euroquest Nov. 7-10 Annapolis Crown Plaza

Meeting adjourned at 8:53pm

Third Friday October

Attendance: Rodger Burns, Ellen Montgomery, Mark Roth, Kim Hargan, Sam Scheiner, Madeleine Yeh, Carolyn Frank, Jim Thomas,

ZenLizard, Aaron Pound, Courtni Burleson, Greg Key, Kathi Overton, Michael Ikeda, Deirdre and Bosley, Perrienne Lurie

Secretary was not in attendance. No one sent her minutes, so the minutes are reconstructed from the zoom archive.

Treasurer said he can't give a final accounting of Capclave because we don't have the final hotel bill yet. Reminded everyone to send him any outstanding receipts they had. Total registration was 400. Significant number of 1st time attendees, plus a large number of Saturday walk-ins. Doesn't have the numbers yet for how many memberships were sold for 2025.

President: As some of you know, Art Henderson passed away this week. So that's a loss to Capclave. Have spoken to the secretary and she'll be sending a condolence card to Becky when she gets back from WFC. Becky Henderson has decided not to continue the business; she's going to try to find someone to take it over.

Rodger said Dodocon looks to be on track and Kathi O' will be looking at pricing once Halloween has wrapped. Biggest issue will be publicity. No one's committed to doing publicity and publicity planning.

Capclave past – was not present. Discussion was had regarding left over soda going to Philcon via Mark and Ellen.

Capclave present: Sam Lubll said GOHs are Joe and Gay Haldeman and Naomi Kritzer. Said needed someone to do at con registration. ZenLizard said his friend Kim is willing to do it again. Someone said Ann Marie Rudolph might be willing to be treasurer and registration, but she'd have to join WSFA since treasurer is an official board position. Sam L. encouraged any one who was interested to talk to him about working for Capclave. And that Dodocon and Capclave need to coordinate.

Perrienne is doing programming and she said she wants to get the program suggestion form up on the Capclave website as soon as possible.

Need to let Paul know about website stuff and that we need to get new zambia up and running.

Capclave future has nothing to report.

Committee to Actually discuss SF will meet in a breakout room to discuss Clarkesworld. Then 1st friday in November will be discussing summer issue of F&SF. 3rd Friday November, October issue of Lightspeed.

WSFA book club will meet Nov 7 to discuss Joe Haldeman's Forever War.

Entertivities: Perrienne is reading slowly through Last Dangerous Visions and it is pretty good. Euroquest is November 7-10 at Crown Plaza Annapolis. Rodger reported that the first official online gaming session WSFA had went well and he'd like to do more gaming before meetings in the future. Discussion of comet visibility.

No new business.

No one there for their 1st, 2^d, or 3rd meeting

Announcements:

Sam L: BSFS Book Club is meeting 4th Saturday of the month to discuss The Haunting of Hill House. Judy Newton: Meridel has a story published in the Saturday Evening Post. Sam S: You can pay dues for next year of \$25. Paypal, check, call me and we can do square over the phone. Kathi Overton: Halloween rapidly approaching, help with set up and night of greatly appreciated. Also, David M. Brown Planetarium will be having shows tomorrow evening and Sunday afternoon, the Sunday at 3 Pm. We actually are having a

talk delivered by the President of the Northern Virginia Astronomy Club about the Clipper mission. Jim Thomas recommended the Impressionist Exhibit at the National Gallery of Art. Aaron Pound mentioned we have pandas again and they can be viewed on the pandacam. Won't be able to see in person until spring.

Meeting adjourned at 9:47pm