

Utah Speculative Fiction Council

November 5, 2005

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| In attendance: | Club: |
| Kammi Davis | S.L.A.A.K.ers |
| Lyda Mae Huff | MAS Fan Fiction Writers |
| Heather Monson | Utah SF |
| Joe Monson | CONduit |
| Laura Swift | RFF-UT |
| Ruth Hanson | Trustee |
| Carol Hanson | none--general fen |
| Dave Anderson | Educators 4SF |
| Charles Galway | Utah Costumer's Guild |

Heather opened the meeting with a welcome to our new members: Anime Banzai (convention), End of the World Anime, AutumnCon (convention). Welcomed our new attending representatives: Laura Swift for RFF, Nikol Alderman as the Alternative. Charles Galway for the Utah Costumer's Guild. Charlie Harmon is going to be the new representative for LTUE. (Not Present)

New announcements:

Fantasy Rules store closing.

World Horror Exploratory Con meeting on Nov. 17

Ann Chamberlin has a play that started Nov. 4 until mid- Nov.

We participated and were present at Autumn Con and had flyers out for the group.

Lyda Mae mentions that her group has changed its name to the Mutual Admiration Society FanFiction Writers.

After some discussion and counting , it is decided that we will add the new groups to the members at the end of the meeting as we just barely have a quorum with out them.

Moving onto New Business:

Bylaws: The executive committee met Nov. 5th and went over the bylaws that the Trustess approved.

Dave Anderson moved that they be accepted, Heather seconded and then opened them for discussion. We discussed the bylaws and the changes the Executive Committee proposed to them. Charles Galway, Laura Swift & Dave Anderson asked many of these insightful questions which were mostly answered by Joe, the guru of the bylaws.

Called to a vote. 9 votes for. 2 votes abstain (2 votes left in absentia), bylaws passed.

Dave Anderson had to leave for another appointment, quorum no longer present, as we can't make any more binding decisions, agenda items are now just discussion.

Heather proposed two new officer positions: a vice-president and a webmaster. Also suggests Joe as the Webmaster ('cause he's doing it anyway).

A Vice-President to take over in the absence of our President and a Webmaster to be in charge of the website and lists.

Lyda Mae points out that according to the by-laws the Secretary acts in the absence of the President. (Secretary kind of knew that, but now is appalled at what she let herself sign up for and now wonders how she can escape now.... :))

Kammi opines that the Webmaster doesn't have to be an 'Official Officer' position, just needs to be an appointed designation.

After some discussion, we slide over to discuss Lyda Mae's 'Create-a-thon' fund-raising proposal.

Lyda Mae explains the idea. Discussion ensues.

Requires: Availability, space, permits, laws

Ruth says sounds like it needs a sub-committee, Lyda Mae agrees and volunteers to head it. Ruth suggest making it interactive as well.

Moving on to Item B on the agenda:

Cross Publicity--a free idea (no cost to the SF Council)

Heather explains: If all the clubs would bring 100 flyers to the Council meetings, everyone could swap and take the flyers out to where the other members live without the individual groups having to post them all by themselves.

Heather says we could designate a place on the website for PDF files for these.

Charles says that often when we have an Author come into town we usually have 2 weeks or less of notice.

Joe brings up the ClubWiki he's put together and asks that everyone goes online and posts information about their club if possible, also encourages everyone to go and look around, explains some technicalish details that Secretary didn't write down.

Heather also proposes a Resources Center where clubs and groups could post things/items that they were willing to share/lend to others. And where other groups could request things that they needed or needed help with. A repository of knowledge and how-to's so that others could learn from your mistakes.

Some discussion.

Any other new business? none

Next meeting: After some schedule checking, a tentative meeting was set for January 7th, at the Layton Library for 4 PM. Ruth volunteers to make the arrangements as she is already 'set up' with them.

Meeting Adjourned