



**Scriptwriters-Houston Meeting Minutes  
September 21, 2020  
Virtual Meeting**

At 7:00 pm, President Rachel Dickson opened the virtual meeting.

**Welcome – Rachel Dickson, President**

- Rachel welcome everyone to the virtual meeting.
- Rachel welcome screen writer and first time attending Kasio Drake and returning screen writer Joaquin Izquierdo.

**Pandemic Scriptwriting Challenge (see all winners below)**

- Donna Latham introduced herself and had the actors introduced themselves for the reading of *It's Just Zoom* by Donna Latham.

**Discussion Topic**

- TOPIC: **10-Min. vs. Full-Length** facilitated by John Meiners, Jr.
  - 10-minute plays have a better chance of being picked versus full-length when submitting to festivals
  - You need a plot and a good script in either and some 10-minute plays should stay that way while others can be developed into full length plays.

**Speakers – Annamarie Flusche**

- Annamarie contacted Sage Kosiorek and he is willing to be a speaker on January 21, 2021
- Annamarie will contact him to ask him about being a judge for a virtual 2021 Pitch and Screen Festival, similar to 2020.
- Annmarie scheduled Celeste Bedford Walker as speaker for the November 16<sup>th</sup> virtual meeting (free to SWH members and \$15 for guests).
  - Topics: Camp Logon – A story of a horrific event that took place in Houston in 1917  
Greenwood: An American Dream Destroyed  
Recounts the tragic story of the Tulsa neighborhood which was featured on a recent 60 Minutes broadcast.

**Business Meeting**

- Agreed to do a virtual Screen and Pitch Festival in 2021
- Rachel sent all submitted scripts to Theatre Suburbia to be used for their fundraising project. Rachel will provide further details when available as there is no info as to when and how those scripts will be used.
- Will SWH stream short videos and stage scripts? Yes, sooner rather than later.
- Bob Inger suggested we contact one of the museums to do a screaming play. Barbara will contact MFAH. Rachel said Contemporary Museum is still interested in working with SWH.
- 10x10 still on track for latter half of 2021
- Rachel asked for scripts to be used in a high school project dealing with the Covid-19 Pandemic

The next Zoom meeting scheduled for October 19, 2020 at 7:00 pm. The meeting ended around 8:10 p.m.  
Respectfully Submitted, Barbara Starkes, Corporate Secretary – Scriptwriters-Houston

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the Scriptwriters who participated in and won the members only **Pandemic Scriptwriting Challenge**.

**\*AUGUST 17, 2020** – *Kindred Spirit* by John Meiners, Jr.

TOPIC: **Character Development** facilitated by Annamarie Flusche

**\*SEPTEMBER 21, 2020** - *It's Just Zoom* by Donna Latham.

TOPIC: **10-Min. vs. Full-Length** facilitated by John Miner, Jr.

**\*OCTOBER 19, 2020** - *Up for Debate* by Terri Welch.

TOPIC: **Conflict** facilitated by Brad Nies

**\*NOVEMBER 16, 2020** - *Potiphar's Wife Gives Her Testimony* by Lauren Tunnell.

TOPIC: **Storytelling** facilitated by Donna Latham

**\*DECEMBER 21, 2020** - *Annual Reward* by Michael Sheehan.

TOPIC: **Theme** facilitated by Bob Inger