



MEETING SUMMARY October 4, 2022

- Date and Time:** Tuesday, 4 October 2022 at 5:30pm Mountain time
- Where:** Online: Zoom
- Committee Attendees:** Caryn Ann Harlos, Joe Dehn, Ed Fochler, James Gholsten, Andrew Kolstee (arrived after approval of minutes), Sam Bohler
- Other Attendees:** Nathan Madden

The meeting was called to order at 5:36pm Mountain time.

Records of Past Meetings: The minutes of the 20 September meeting were approved without objection.

Site Statistics: Ed said traffic statistics are fairly steady, and that it will be interesting to see whether greater use of the site as a repository for documents will result in a continuation of this level of traffic after the election season.

Strategic Plan Redaction: Ed reported that the recently adopted "Strategic Plan" was one of the more popular files, and Joe pointed out that this document was incomplete, which he noticed because of the inconsistent way it had been presented. He asked if the missing parts were going to be kept secret forever, and suggested that the LNC might want to review documents periodically to see if keeping them secret was still necessary or establish a default sunset rule (e.g, release after two years) for this kind of thing. Caryn Ann said he could make such suggestions through his Regional Representative; he said this is not a personal or regional matter but one of general LNC policy and relevant to the business of this committee because "we can't preserve what we can't see".

Autobio Bot: In response to a question about log entries representing article imports, James explained how these were a result of the procedure he uses to automatically create stub biography articles from lists of people,



Uploading Projects: Sam reported that he is continuing to work on uploading files previously scanned. He found that some documents had been scanned more than once; in such cases he is using the best scan of each page in creating the overall PDF. He is also making adjustments to pages that were scanned on a slant, and running everything through an OCR process. (Unlike some of the files we had gotten scanned earlier using another contractor, OCR was not done on this set at the time of the scanning.) He has found that the most common sizes are 11x17 and 8.5x11. Joe noted that there is variation in the actual size of "tabloid" publications, and that there have also been some newsletters produced using 8.5x14 paper, resulting in pages of that size or fractions thereof.

Outreach to State Parties: There was discussion of the draft of a letter to state parties, and some suggestions were incorporated into the online draft.

Alabama: Sam noted that the Alabama affiliate will soon be celebrating its 50th year so he is hoping to do something in connection with that.

The next meeting is scheduled for 18 October 2022.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:34pm Mountain time.