



MEETING SUMMARY June 7, 2022

Date and Time: Tuesday 7 June 2022 at 5:30pm Mountain time
Where: Online: Zoom
Committee Attendees: Caryn Ann Harlos, Joe Dehn, Ed Fochler, Andrew Kolstee
Other Attendees: none

The meeting was called to order at 5:34pm Mountain time.

Records of Past Meetings: The minutes of the 16 May meeting were approved without objection.

Committee Membership: Caryn Ann reported that she was re-appointed as Chair of this committee and is currently in communication with those who have been serving as committee members regarding their interest in continuing to actively contribute to our work. Once the re-appointments have been finalized, she will be putting out a call for people interested in filling the remaining positions. So far, she has reappointed Joe, Ed, James, and Andrew. She noted that we have a lot of work to be done, including organizing and uploading a large amount of material that has already been scanned, but that people can help with that without having to be members of the committee.

National Convention: Ed reported that he spent a significant amount of time at our table, and said there were plenty of people who came by, some of whom seemed possibly interested in getting involved in our work. He reported that there was interest by some older members in the photo collection, that nobody brought anything to be scanned, but a lot of the old (duplicate) copies of LP News that were put out to be taken did get taken (by Starchild). Joe suggested that for a future convention we might be able to offer historical videos as "fillers" for display during periods when the business session is waiting for votes to be tabulated. He also reported that he brought several items from California for display at the table, plus a new display panel showing the first national and first NY newsletters. Ed noted that pictures and charts and colors can attract attention. Caryn Ann said it was a shame



that we were not able to get the button displays shipped from the national office – but it was noted that this should not be an issue next time if the convention is in DC.

Meeting Schedule: There was discussion of meeting times going forward. There was general agreement that it would be better to return to having it always on the same day of the week. We will explore preferences for specific days in more depth once the re-appointment process is finished, but it was agreed to stick with the existing schedule for one more meeting, subject to reconsideration by e-mail.

Secretary: It was agreed that Joe should continue as committee Secretary.

Biographical Article Restructuring: There was a discussion of how to handle the sort of restructuring of biographical articles that often arises when a current activist takes on new roles, in particular how to ensure that existing material does not get lost in the process. Joe gave the example of a person who gets elected to a new position, which may make it appropriate to feature that person's current role more prominently, relative to information about past roles or to the campaign leading up to the current position. It was agreed that although such restructuring is appropriate and useful, we still want to keep the earlier information available, which depending on the amount of it could be done by moving it within the article or by creating a separate article (e.g., specifically about the campaign). It was also agreed that if an article has already been restructured in a way that resulted in significant information being omitted, it would be appropriate for an editor to go back and retrieve that information from an earlier version and make it available again, either as part of the original article or in a new article, depending on where it best fits.

The next meeting is scheduled for 20 June 2022.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:26pm Mountain time.