

HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE REPORT

LNC MEETING MARCH 2023 V1

COMMITTEE OVERVIEW

Policy Manual Section 2.02 SCOPE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Historical Preservation Committee

The HPC shall be responsible for directing the preservation and publication of Party historical documents and the administration of LPedia.org. A report of its decisions and activities shall be delivered at each LNC meeting.

Committee Members

- Caryn Ann Harlos (Chair)
- Joe Dehn (Secretary)
- Samuel Bohler
- Ed Fochler
- Lisa Gansky
- James Gholston
- Andrew Kolstee

Reports, Meetings, and Communications

The Committee is committed to transparency and conducts open meetings on the first and third Tuesday of each month via Zoom. The agendas are posted and updated here: http://lpedia.org/LPedia:LPHPC_Agenda. Committee discussion is also conducted via email with a read-only subscription option available to all Party members here: <https://groups.google.com/u/1/a/lp.org/g/historical-preservation-committee>. The minutes and other records from its proceedings are preserved on LPedia¹ (links noted below for member review):

Minutes Prepared Since Last LNC Meeting:²

- Nov 1, 2022 https://lpedia.org/w/images/8/8a/Minutes_2022-11-01_HPC.pdf
- Dec 6 2022 https://lpedia.org/w/images/7/7f/Minutes_2022-12-06_HPC.pdf
- Dec 20 2022 https://lpedia.org/w/images/a/a0/Minutes_2022-12-20_HPC.pdf
- Jan 3 2023 https://lpedia.org/w/images/0/08/Minutes_2023-01-03_HPC.pdf
- Feb 7 2023 https://lpedia.org/w/images/7/75/Minutes_2023-02-07_HPC.pdf

¹ The complete history of minutes and reports can be found at: http://lpedia.org/wiki/National_Historical_Preservation_Committee

² As per the requirements of the Policy Manual Section 2.02.1, the above-linked minutes contain the dates and attendance rosters for each of the Committee's meetings since the previous regular LNC Meeting.

Prior Committee Reports this Term:

- July 2022 https://lpedia.org/w/images/6/6b/LPHPC_Report_2022-07_V1.pdf
- Nov 2022 https://lpedia.org/w/images/c/c4/LPHPC_Report_2022-11_V1.pdf

Motions Considered

Move to approve up to \$50 for shipping of donated materials from member in Pennsylvania.

This motion was approved by the entirety of the Committee. The actual shipping was \$66.00. Caryn Ann Harlos donated an additional \$20.00 to the Historical Preservation project to cover this shortfall.

STATUS OF DOCUMENT PRESERVATION

Storage Unit and Digitization

Documents and Papers:

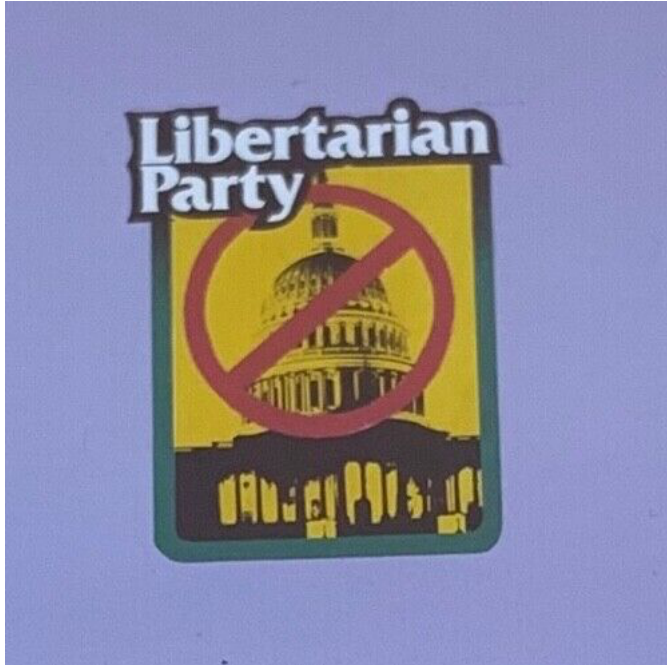
Last term, an LNC member had volunteered to assist with the scanning of records and taken dozens of boxes. Unfortunately these boxes were returned in a state of disorganization and the hundreds of hours of organization work are having to be redone, which is proceeding. The scans were also done somewhat haphazardly but the committee is working with them the best they can. More volunteers are always gratefully received and needed.

A donor shipped a box of items that needs to be examined as of the date of this report.

Interesting Acquisitions:

The following items were found on Ebay and donated by Ms. Harlos (the pen was gifted by the original seller Joe Johnson of Colorado once he found out the purpose):





Collaboration with State Parties:

We are reaching out to state parties in order to inform them about this resource and encourage them to establish their own historical preservation committees. Additionally, we are encouraging affiliates to use LPedia to store their official documents like minutes and other meeting records so they avoid the issue of having to do huge document moves if and when websites change. The Libertarian Party of Colorado uses LPedia in this manner, including using it as the master link to its governing documents, which then has the benefit of also referencing the past historical versions of the documents. A copy of the correspondence sent is attached. We are considering making an ask of HQ to send in conjunction with a fundraising appeal in the future.

SOCIAL MEDIA

We have both YouTube (<https://www.youtube.com/@lphistory>) and Odysee (<https://odysee.com/@lphistoricalpreservation>) channels as well as a Twitter account (<https://twitter.com/LPediaOfficial>)

WORK WITH CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Initial discussions started about partnering with the Convention Oversight Committee in preparing an "In Memoriam" style silent tribute to be displayed on the convention screens during downtimes. Other historical montages can be considered. The Convention Oversight Committee may have other items they are working on to fill those times.

STATUS OF LPEDIA

Policies

The Committee is working on policies to deal with handling information on persons that concern potential allegations of wrongdoing.

General Statistics³

- 5,894 Articles
- 29 Active Editors
- 8,612 Document/Image Uploads

ACCOUNTING FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

Total Expenses Booked: \$66.00

Total Revenue: \$90.90

Total Budget: \$2,500

Respectfully Submitted,

Caryn Ann Harlos, Committee Chair

³ *Figures from last report:*

- 5,682 Articles
- 22 Active Editors
- 7,904 Document/Image Uploads

SUBJ: Message from the Historical Preservation Committee

Dear LP State & Local Affiliates,

We're writing to you today from the Historical Preservation Committee, and we want to let you know that you have some excellent resources at your fingertips that you may not be aware of!



Are you an officer of a state or local LP group? An editor of a newsletter? A past officer, editor, webmaster, or candidate? Or maybe you're just a pack-rat who kept every newsletter, mailing, and convention handout you ever got? You very likely have material that can help us build our library of the Libertarian Party's history.

The Historical Preservation Committee manages LPedia – the Libertarian Party Wiki – which is a compilation of articles for state parties, local organizations, people, and more, all of which make up a collaborative, running history of the Libertarian Party.

We would love to have you upload any historical material you have to LPedia! If you need help with any aspect of how to do that, anything from scanning to where to place it, please don't hesitate to contact us. Our mission is to document and preserve as much of our history as possible; while we love getting our hands on older stuff, we also have a keen interest in stuff that's happening now.

For you secretaries out there, if you're interested in storing meeting minutes on LPedia, all you need to start editing and posting is an account, which you can request by clicking the "Join" link on the left navigation menu on <https://lpedia.org>. If that doesn't work, just email us at lpedia@lp.org. Anyone who's interested is encouraged to visit their affiliate pages and update them with current information! Additionally, if you happen to have a state-level historical committee, we would absolutely love a representative to attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings, for any reason.

Thank you for reading!

Libertarian Party Historical Preservation Committee

Resources

Getting Started as a Contributor

https://lpedia.org/wiki/LPedia:Getting_Started_as_a_Contributor

Information about the Historical Preservation Committee

https://lpedia.org/wiki/National_Historical_Preservation_Committee

Meeting Schedule

https://lpedia.org/wiki/LPedia:LPHPC_Agenda