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## PARTY HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

MEETING SUMMARY February 20, 2024

- Date and Time:** Tuesday, 20 February 2024 at 5:30pm Mountain time
- Where:** Online: Zoom
- Committee Attendees:** Caryn Ann Harlos, Ed Fochler, James Gholston, Andrew Kolstee, Sam Bohler, Lisa Gansky
- Other Attendees:** none

The meeting was called to order at 5:37pm Mountain time.

**Site Statistics:** Ed reported that traffic statistics are mostly unexciting, except for a recent burst of activity from Poland.

**Site Technical:** Ed said he has been doing some cleanup on the backup server.

**Videos:** Caryn Ann reported receiving three boxes of VHS tapes from the national office, but she hasn't determined yet if they are ones we already had converted.

**Alabama:** Sam reported that they expect to be adding more of their minutes to LPedia. There was discussion of whether uploading minutes in PDF form is sufficient, vs. trying to turn them into articles. It was noted that text in PDFs does get included in searches, and that even with PDFs that originated as scans from hardcopy OCR is doing a reasonably good job.

**California:** Caryn Ann said she expects there to be more press coverage of the upcoming state convention than we've had even for national conventions.

**Florida:** Lisa asked about policies for posting minutes, now that she is doing them for Florida. Caryn Ann noted that some states now use LPedia as the primary repository for their documents, rather than keeping them on their own web site. It was mentioned that having such a policy documented in a resolution or state bylaws can be helpful. Lisa said that the magazine she produced for the convention came out well and that she will be uploading that material to LPedia.



**New York:** Andrew said he continues to upload current material.

**Alaska:** Andrew said he is still working on gathering information from newsletters.

**Convention Memorial Committee:** Lisa said she got information about a few more people via comments on Facebook and will be creating articles about them.

**LP News:** There was discussion of whether it makes sense to try to capture what is now being labeled as LP News, since it isn't significantly different from past blogs which we generally didn't try to capture. We may want to document when it stopped being produced as a newsletter, and going forward just capture individual articles that seem important for some reason. The ones that we do preserve could still be organized chronologically, but labeled in a way that makes clear that they don't represent everything that had been posted in this blog. Caryn Ann said she considers this to be a lower-priority project than saving older material, such as thousands of e-mail messages from past decades. Andrew said we could periodically save a snapshot of the entire site so the information would at least be available if somebody wants to try to organize it better later.

The next meeting is scheduled for 5 March.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:23pm Mountain time.