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PARTY HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

MEETING SUMMARY November 4, 2020

- Date and Time:** Wednesday, 4 November 2020 at 4:00pm Mountain time
- Where:** Online: Zoom
- Committee Attendees:** Caryn Ann Harlos, Joe Dehn, Ed Fochler, Andrew Kolstee, James Gholston (arrived after the statistics discussion)
- Other Attendees:** none

The meeting was called to order at 4:07pm Mountain time.

Records of Past Meetings: The minutes of the 21 October meeting were approved.

Site Statistics: Ed reported that traffic continues to be significantly higher than earlier in the year even after accounting for the as-yet-unexplained traffic from China, which may account for 30% to 50% of total traffic depending whether it is estimated by IP address or the requested language being other than English.

Records Archive Update: Caryn Ann reported that she has been to the storage unit with a volunteer, Blake Huber, a local activist who may be able to help sort through candidate-related material. This is a big job because the national office had saved a lot of things that were not labeled by either year or state. More generally there is a lot of sorting/organizing that needs to be done of recently acquired material; we have some "pigeon hole" units that make sorting work easier.

Miscellaneous LPedia: There was discussion of articles about specific campaigns, including how to name them and a template for them. It was decided for presidential campaigns to use a name like "Jorgensen and Cohen Campaign 2020". (It was decided not to use "/" between the names because this has other meanings in Mediawiki and URLs.) For other campaigns, the general form will be "<candidate name> for <state or locality> <office> <year>". The state will be included for local offices only when necessary, as we do for article titles more generally, but each such article would include a template that always includes the state, along with other standard summary information.



Assessments: Joe reported that he rated the articles for all past California candidates for Governor and US Senate, and California state chairs. This included creating many stub articles for people for whom there was no article at all.

Committee Membership: Joe reported on the results of the intra-committee survey regarding the 20 applicants, asking which seem interesting enough for further consideration. There was discussion of how many to consider, and what the next steps should be. It was decided to focus on the 8 which had been listed by at least four of the current committee members. Caryn Ann will invite them to attend one of two upcoming meetings for an "interview"; they can of course all also attend either of those or any other meetings to better understand what we are doing. She will also suggest that they become active on LPedia, and say that we will take such activity into account. The message will include some examples of kinds of work that could be done, but we will not give them "assignments"; Caryn Ann said that we will get a better idea of how good a fit they are for the committee by seeing what they are naturally interested in doing. She will also point out that we won't necessarily be adding anybody to the committee – we are permitted but not required to have seven members. She also reported that we do not, under Robert's, have authority to create a formal "subcommittee" (with membership beyond our own) for volunteers.

Nolan Archive: Caryn Ann will discuss with Joe Bishop-Henchmen whether this issue has reached the point where formal action by the LNC would be appropriate.

Audio Tapes: Caryn Ann reported that she has started digitizing some audio tapes. There was discussion of alternative approaches for making them available online (for inclusion in LPedia), including the "backup server" and YouTube; Caryn Ann said she prefers the YouTube approach for now, noting that many other people have been using it for audio recordings.

Google Group: Caryn Ann said she has prepared a draft of a message to the existing mailing list. She will say we are moving fully to the Google group as of 1 January.

Future Meetings: The next meeting is scheduled for 18 November 2020.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:52pm Mountain time.