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PARTY HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

MEETING SUMMARY February 2, 2022

- Date and Time:** Wednesday 2 February 2022 at 5:30pm Mountain time
- Where:** Online: Zoom
- Committee Attendees:** Caryn Ann Harlos, Joe Dehn, Ed Fochler, James Gholston, Andrew Kolstee
- Other Attendees:** none

The meeting was called to order at 5:32pm Mountain time.

Records of Past Meetings: The minutes of the 4 January meeting were considered. James said that there should not be quotation marks around “staff” in the reference to the Texas LP historian position. With this change, the minutes were approved without objection.

Records Archive Update: Caryn Ann said we received a quote of \$772.65 for shipping the boxes still in New Mexico back to Colorado, but she estimates it would cost her about \$450 to go get them herself. James moved to reimburse her for this expense; the motion passed without objection.

We received a separate quote of \$3000 for scanning the large-format items, of which there appear to be a total of about one box worth. It is not clear either whether this is a reasonable price based on the quantity and type of material or whether it would be worth spending that amount of money on these specific materials. Joe moved to direct the chair to examine these items when she goes there to pick up the rest of the boxes, to determine the value to us of having them scanned, and to either negotiate for the scanning to be done for no more than \$2000 or bring them back unscanned, at her discretion. The motion passed without objection.

External Archives – Library of Congress: Caryn Ann said she had heard again from the Library of Congress, saying that they now expect to receive the Nolan collection in about two weeks. They said they could not provide any more information, including about whether it might be possible for us to get a copy of the scans that



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Buchman said he was providing them along with the original material, until they have the collection in their possession.

Image Categorization: Caryn Ann said she expects to be done in about a week with her first pass through all files that have been uploaded so far. The job won't be completely done because some of the categories have evolved since she started this project, but at least everything will be in some category; she plans to review the category tree and then do a second pass.

Audio Cassettes: Caryn Ann said that the volunteer who has been digitizing cassettes is now working on his third batch, and has been doing a good job, including documenting the original cassettes by photographing them; these are older cassettes that are degrading so she isn't having him ship the actual cassettes back.

Colorado: Caryn Ann said four members have been identified so far for their historical committee, which is intended to have five members including the secretary of the state party,

Site Statistics: Ed said that traffic was mostly normal, though there was a brief bump around 28-29 January apparently prompted by the arrest of an activist in New York.

Featured Article: Joe reported that he updated the featured article.

California: Joe reported that the LPC HPC will have a table at the upcoming state convention. He said the set of year-by-year LPedia articles he created for Santa Clara County, based on the hardcopy "timeline" he had created back in December, might turn out to be a useful way to organize photos and other miscellaneous material that does not have any other obvious place in the article structure.

New York: Andrew reported that he has scanned more material, including some large-format Ed Clark campaign material. He noted that the state convention is coming up in a few weeks. He said he reached out to Bonnie Scot who has some material from New York, New Hampshire, and Vermont in storage that she may not



want to continue storing. He also wants to start doing some oral history interviews. He noted that 22 April will be the 50th anniversary of the NY affiliate.

An issue has come up concerning how committees of this affiliate should be categorized, because they have some specific designations but Caryn Ann has been treating them as belonging to more generic categories; how to handle this is something we could discuss during a future meeting and then be applied during her second pass through the categories.

The next meeting is scheduled for 21 February 2022.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:31pm Mountain time.