

MEETING SUMMARY May 20, 2020

Date and Time: Wednesday, 20 May 2020 at 4:00pm Mountain time

Where: Online: Zoom

Committee Attendees: Caryn Ann Harlos, Joe Dehn, Ed Fochler, James Gholston,

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Other Attendees: none

The meeting was called to order at 4:03pm Mountain time.

Records of Past Meetings: The minutes of the 6 May meeting were approved with one spelling correction.

Records Archive: Caryn Ann reported that the company that did our large scanning job has re-opened so we will now be able to get our originals back.

General LPedia: Ed reported that he created a privacy policy page and invited everybody to review it.

Site Statistics: Ed reported that traffic has been flat, averaging 112 users/day.

URL Format Change: Ed reported that most accesses are now coming in with the /wiki in the URL; others are still being handled by the 404 page but he has also added some explicit redirects for the most popular articles. Joe asked whether it was possible to see what links without /wiki are still being frequently used so we could try to get them changed; Ed said could take a look in the logs.

Convention: There was discussion of what material needs saving relating to the upcoming convention sessions. Items mentioned included the video streams of the Zoom sessions (which we expect will be available via YouTube), as well as discussions on Facebook, the LNC list, and Slack. James noted that some people make a practice of deleting their own posts in discussion forums which makes both them and any comments on them by others no longer available.



It was agreed that if an in-person event does actually take place in Orlando we will want a table there.

Nolan Collection: Caryn Ann suggested that this material should be moved to our storage facility so that it can be accessible for cataloging and scanning and so that we can report it being in our physical possession in time for any turnover of this committee that may take place in connection with the LNC term transition. This material is currently in the possession of Joe Buchman because he said he was going to be working on a biography; he does not seem to be currently making use of it but he could be given access again at any time in the future when he might want to resume work on that. Ed will contact him about this. Caryn Ann estimated the quantity as about 10-12 boxes; she will look into whether the scanning company would be willing to accept shipment of the material directly to their facility for scanning.

Categories: Caryn Ann suggested we have categories of the form "Publications of X" for writings by a particular person, similar to the way we have been creating "Images of X" categories for photographs; as for images, convenient access to these publications categories could be provided by a link in the info box in the article about the person. There was discussion of different kinds of "publications" of which a person might be considered the author, for which we might want to create subcategories, but agreement that it would make sense to start simply for now with just one category for each person.

Caryn Ann noted that based on her work in creating categories for images she plans to do another pass through all the categories which may involve some changes in the main part of the category tree. In response to a question about whether we should add categories for campaigns, she said there is already a plan for including such categories under the Events main category.

Future Meetings: The next meeting is scheduled for 3 June 2020.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15pm Mountain time.