



MEETING SUMMARY October 6, 2021

- Date and Time:** Wednesday, 6 October 2021 at 4:00pm Mountain time
- Where:** Online: Zoom
- Committee Attendees:** Joe Dehn, Ed Fochler, James Gholston, Andrew Kolstee, Anna Mosashvili
- Other Attendees:** none

The meeting was called to order at 4:03pm Mountain time, with Andrew serving as chair pro tem.

Records of Past Meetings: The minutes of the 15 September 2021 meeting were considered. James asked that the record show that his suggestion regarding statistics was specifically about DuckDuckGo, rather than "other search engines" generally. With that correction, the minutes were approved without objection.

Templates: Andrew reported that he created some more state templates; he noted that for some states there are very few articles. He also fixed the problem with a template where the image wasn't showing up if a size was not explicitly provided.

Site Statistics: Ed reported that the statistics have been "horribly uninteresting", with everything continuing pretty much as before. He looked into the situation with DuckDuckGo and found that it does not provide any information of this type.

Site Technical: Ed reported that his home backup server is now working again.

California: Joe reported that he has done some cataloging of the material he got from Dan Weiner; scanned and uploaded the very earliest (1972, pre-"CaLiber") California newsletters, and believes he now understands why there were two of them. He also created a "timeline" article, which should help answer the kinds of questions that often come up about the early history of the LPC.

New York: Andrew reported that he is continuing to scan state newsletters; the name has changed over the years, but he thinks he has now scanned about 65% of the issues available to him. He noted that a few are in tabloid format; Ed offered to



help with scanning those. He also has some old petition forms that were in a large format. He noted that in scanning the more recent newsletters he has been editing out the address labels.

Ustream: Anna said she is almost done uploading the edited LNC recordings, and is inserting the links as part of checking that the uploaded sets are complete.

50th Birthday Party Project: Joe reported that he created an LPedia article for this, as a place to share ideas and keep a list of event locations. He reached out to state and local officers in many states via e-mail, but could use some help with that for some of the larger states. He publicized the project in California via Facebook, to the county officer e-mail list, and in his LPC HPC report to the state Executive Committee. He expects events to take place in at least three locations in California, and he has been working directly on the one to be held in Santa Clara County. He contacted the group in El Paso County, Colorado about the kinds of events they have had, and it sounds like they will be having something this year. He said we still need a national e-mail blast, but that has to be arranged through the national office.

James noted that somebody on Facebook is trying to organize "Operation Amber Storm", protests in support of third parties, for that date; Joe said that's not necessarily a conflict because part of the birthday party concept is that it can be done in combination with other activities.

Andrew said he could send something to New York committee/county leaders. James said he could contact Texas party leadership. Joe said he would provide them with a copy of the e-mail he has been sending.

There was a brief discussion of Zoom arrangements. Joe said he envisioned something more structured than just an open channel, because the primary purpose is to link the in-person events, but that it might make sense to allow individuals to participate somehow via Zoom as well. He is hoping to be able to share greetings from people like past national Chairs and presidential candidates, who might be attending some in-person event; it might make sense to invite the current Chair to do likewise. He suggested we might be able to make use of "webinar mode" as a way to accomplish this.



Recordings: Andrew said he obtained an audio cassette converter and has started digitizing some tapes of conventions and speeches. He also has a few VHS tapes he wants to digitize.

Future Meetings: The next meeting is scheduled for 20 October 2021.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55pm Mountain time.