



MEETING SUMMARY October 20, 2021

- Date and Time:** Wednesday, 20 October 2021 at 4:00pm Mountain time
- Where:** Online: Zoom
- Committee Attendees:** Caryn Ann Harlos, Joe Dehn, Ed Fochler, James Gholston, Anna Mosashvili
- Other Attendees:** none

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

Records of Past Meetings: Joe noted that, at Caryn Ann's suggestion, the current draft of the minutes for 6 October identifies Andrew as serving as "chair pro tem"; however, when this kind of situation has arisen in the past no mention has been made of who was chairing the meeting. He said it might make sense to propose amendments to past minutes to make them consistent with this, to the extent that the information is available. Because there was not yet a quorum, formal approval of the 6 October minutes was deferred. (James and Anna arrived after this point.)

Delegate Lists: There was discussion of objections that had been raised to the posting of national convention delegate lists with contact information (in particular, street addresses). The specific lists in question were removed from LPedia pending consideration of a general policy.

It was noted that these lists had been available, with the address information, at the time of those conventions to any member, and that under the current bylaws at least some of the recent ones must be provided, with address information, to any member upon request, and that there is nothing to stop any member who received them in this way from posting them elsewhere. On the other hand, considerations including (1) the fact that some members do consider this kind of information "private", (2) that the types of contact information considered useful and appropriate to share for various purposes has changed with time, (3) that contact information is of only limited "historical" interest, and (4) that posting files containing such information on LPedia could be seen as the LP promoting its use for other purposes, weighed against making such lists available in that way. There was general agreement that names of delegates and their states should be considered part of the historical



record and posted, but there was objection that posting files from which data has been removed, without noting the modification, would be misleading. It was noted that similar questions could arise in the future with other kinds of lists, but that there are also various kinds of documents that have historically been widely distributed that contained personal contact information, which was understood to be their purpose at the time.

Joe moved: "It is the policy of the HPC that lists of individuals (members, contributors, delegates, etc.) containing contact information (street addresses, phone numbers, e-mail addresses, etc.) shall not be posted on LPedia in their original form, but only in a modified form that does not contain such information, and labeled as so modified. This does not apply to documents such as newsletters or directories which were originally intended for public distribution." The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.

Records of Past Meetings (continued): The minutes of the 6 October meeting were approved without objection.

Site Statistics: Ed reported that there was a bump in traffic around 15 October apparently relating to some activist in Colorado, but that overall traffic remains about the same as before.

Featured Article: Joe reported that he replaced the featured article with a new one.

50th Birthday Party Project: Caryn Ann said she will work on getting the national office to do an e-mail blast during November. Joe expressed concern that time is getting short; he said a blast in November to the general membership inviting them to participate would be OK but we need to reach activists sooner to promote organization of the events. Caryn Ann said she can arrange for something to be sent to the state chairs list.

There was discussion of Zoom arrangements; Joe said we need to be able to keep the "meeting" up for much of the day, and also have some way to manage who is able to speak, so that the focus can be on connecting the in-person events even though we would like to allow other people to participate as individuals. The "webinar" mode



does not seem to do quite what we want. Joe suggested we should be able to achieve the desired balance by using regular meeting mode with the representatives of the in-person events having "co-host" status; this would allow for everybody to participate by default, but allow the in-person events to mute the other users when they have something interesting to present from their site. Caryn Ann said she has a paid account that can host a meeting of up to 100 users, but that limit could be expanded by paying more.

Future Meetings: The next meeting is scheduled for 3 November 2021.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:29pm Mountain time.