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PARTY HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

MEETING SUMMARY MAY 23, 2018

Date and Time: Wednesday, May 23, 2018 @4pm Mountain

Where: Online: Zoom

Committee

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

Member

Attendees: Andrew Kolstee, Ben Leder

Meeting was called to order at 4:08 pm. The files sent with the agenda and prior minutes were corrupted and unreadable. Salvage attempts will be made and sent to the Chair for review next meeting. There was a short break in the middle when Caryn Ann Harlos had to make a call for a doctor appointment.

Ed Fochler reminded the Chair that we have enough Joes on this committee and that his name is Ed.

Member Comments: None at that time.

Image Naming and Categorization: The issue with improper image naming and cleanup was recapped. This was not a specific assignment for anyone.

Policy Updates: Nothing since last time.

Drop Ship Store: Ben Leder updated the committee about work he is doing with the Radical Caucus for an e-commerce store that might work well as a proof-of-concept for fundraising for the committee. Copies of that recovered original SoP document might be a good item to offer.

Audio/Video Tapes: Nothing new at this time.

General LPedia / Featured Article: The featured article was changed to an article about the Santa Clara affiliate. James Gholston noted that the featured article template has always been used, and Joe Dehn suggested that we might want to have an article that lists the past featured articles.



Hoover Collection: Nothing new.

Convention: Caryn Ann Harlos asked for reimbursement for \$54.10 for banner for the booth at convention. James Gholston did a good job on the design.

Motion: James Gholston moved to reimburse Caryn Ann Harlos for the purchase of the banner.

This passed with no objection.

Susan Nolan: No progress on this.

New York Records Archive: Andrew Kolstee went over some items that might be in these records such as old national Platform Committee reports and video footage of the 1974 New York Gubernatorial race. Andrew will know more when he visits the archives on June 12, 2018.

Site Statistics: Ed Fochler gave an overview and noted that one of the top searches was for Caryn Ann which has made her paranoid.

Steering Committee: Caryn Ann met Bruce Earnheart in Ohio who has some items from that time frame that he will be bringing to NOLA for us to scan. Caryn Ann read his email that detailed what he had as follows:

The earliest piece in my collection is a letter from Susan Nolan informing me that I am the first Minnesota resident to join the Party. Dated Jan. 20, 1971, I am almost certain the date is mistaken; I believe Dave Nolan's Libertarian dream dates from the summer of '71—motivated by the dual disaster of Nixon's wage and price controls and the end of gold redemption.

The only certified document from the days of the "Committee to Organize a Libertarian Party" is a temporary platform created sometime in late 1971. I also have the 1972, '74 and '76 platforms.

The only other item dating from the proto-Party are broadsides that I tacked up on every available Macalester College bulletin board I could find in the fall of 1971.

My earliest LP News dates from January '72. My May copy is missing, as is May/June



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and Sep./Oct. of 1973. I have the full run of 1974 and 1975. I am missing Sep./Oct. '76 and most of 1977 (only Jan./Feb and Sep./Oct. are extant). The early portion of 1978 is missing (Jan. through May). Only three issues are extant from 1979 (Mar./Apr., May/June and July/Aug).

I have a small variety of generic membership/promotional brochures and position papers from the first decade. I have a 1974 Newsweek article summarizing goals and elucidating Party ideology.

Regarding the Hosper campaign, I have one A.P. newspaper story and two bumper stickers. (I have bumper stickers featuring every Presidential nominee).

I have a good number of materials from the McBride and Clark campaigns: brochures, position papers, newspaper and magazine articles.

There are promotional materials and programs from four national conventions: 1975 (New York), '76 (D.C.), '78 (Boston) and '79 (L.A.). I know you have little interest in the 1980s, at present, but the 1981 Denver convention program contains a great synopsis of the '70s—it being the 10th anniversary convention.

I have a state by state membership list for 1975 and certified vote totals for the 1979 Presidential and V.P. nominations.

Caryn Ann noted that he is missing the same early LP News that is missing in the archive which is evidence that those issues likely never existed. Caryn Ann obtained his first membership card which is the earliest she has ever seen. This was forwarded to the Committee for review.

Misc: Washington Times ran an article about the acquisition of the Statement of Principles and there was an article in LPedia about Marta and her volunteer work for the Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 6:37 pm Mountain.

Next meeting is set for June 6, 2018 at 4pm Mountain.