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## PARTY HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

### MEETING SUMMARY July 26, 2017

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 @4pm Mountain

Where: Online: Go To Meeting

Committee

Attendees: Caryn Ann Harlos, Joe Dehn, Ed Fochler, James Gholson, Joe Buchman

Member

Attendees: Michael Fucci

Meeting was called to order at 4:03pm. The Minutes/Summaries from July 12, 2017 were approved with corrections. Caryn Ann had posted the prior summaries to LPedia. No member comments.

**Records Archive Update:** Sarah and Caryn Ann have continued to go each Saturday. The LP News have been fully organized. Caryn Ann is presently sorting state affiliate materials and she brought home the video/audio materials for dictation. A volunteer has offered to transcribe.

**Winger and Nolan Archive:** The Winger archive is up and can now be removed from the agenda. Joe B. met with Elizabeth Nolan and Emily Goldberg and obtained the records from David Nolan's personal archive in a clandestine midnight transfer. Elizabeth told Joe B. that the tipping point for her decision to entrust the records to us was Joe B.'s performance in Americans for Prosperity debate on July 11, 2017 saying "David would have been proud." It is about 22 boxes. Caryn Ann is planning on doing an article about the archive itself with a copy of the original inventory that Elizabeth provided. Joe B. also took photographs.

**Categories:** Andrew Kolstee and Caryn Ann have been swamped and there is no progress on this. Andrew said he would have time in the coming weeks. This will be moved to our next meeting.

Progress is being tracking on the Category Organization LPedia page.

**Templates:** Andrew is working on the State and Local party templates with the new categories.



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**Policy Updates:** Joe D. is still working on the updates to the policies.

**Administrator Responsibilities:** Caryn Ann will be demoting the Administrators who did not respond to the email regarding duties.

**Backups and Passwords:** Ed uploaded a copy of the .csv with the user data information into Drop Box.

**Scanning:** Michael Fucci uploaded the first batch of press releases. The committee discussed the format used on LPedia and some changes were made which Michael will update.

**Audio/Video Tapes:** Caryn Ann started looking into some costs and potential vendors for tape conversion. The 2 inch quadraplex reels would be about \$300 each to convert due to the fragile handling needed with these old tapes. We could inquire with Lyrasis if they have a preferred vendor for this, but we would need to join the organization.

**Per Page Licensing Notation:** Ed investigated the issue of the compact licensing graphic at the bottom of some pages which is generated by MediaWiki:License-templates in combination with localsettings.php. There is more work to be done on this issue and remains an outstanding to-do. The current licensing templates would need to be updated to invoke this extension.

**Additional Liberty Pledges:** All of the ones in our possession have been uploaded. Sarah Ellsworth is going through the boxes which will be compared to the LPedia page to see if any holes can be filled.

**Wayback Machine Items:** Caryn Ann will be preparing a volunteer project sheet to start preserving some of the information from the old LP.org sites. There are pages with information that could be preserved as articles. James brought up User:AutostubLP2 as an instruction sheet for archive spelunking. It was decided that these instructions might be a bit too cryptic for the basic volunteers, and if James could break it down into more manageable and simplified pieces it would be able to be farmed out to volunteers.

**Media Player Extension:** Caryn Ann discussed whether a media player extension should be installed in order to more elegantly showcase video and audio media,



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including YouTube. Extension:EmbedVideo is a potential candidate on mediawiki.org. Joe D. will look into our options. James wants to be sure that whatever we use would not break anything critical if any extension ceased being supported.

**Bankers Boxes:** Caryn Ann needs to purchase some bankers boxes for further file organization.

*James Gholston moved that Caryn Ann be authorized to purchase up to ten cases of bankers boxes from Amazon for up to \$350.*

This passed without objection.

**Billing/Storage:** The Amazon server is billed directly to the LP. Presently it is about \$15/month and it will be between \$20-\$30 once we are out of our preliminary special pricing next year. Caryn Ann has been paying for Dropbox so far and is willing to do that for another couple months, but at some point it will need to become a committee expense unless there is another potential solution. Dropbox is mirrored on two local drives at Caryn Ann's home (one is connected to the internet and one is not). Dropbox has worked out really well with the volunteers. If a year was paid upfront it would be \$99/year which is \$20 cheaper than paying monthly.

**Convention Reports:** Caryn Ann is speaking with the Convention Committee about the potential for a Historical Committee report. So far, the request has been declined. The Convention Committee is providing us a table.

**LNC Meeting, Report, and Recommendations:** One of our Committee duties is to make culling recommendations. Caryn Ann's recommendation is for us to keep three copies of each LP News. It will not be possible to make complete sets of all issues since we don't have more than three copies of them all. Caryn Ann will need to update her inventory after the archive scanner returns the job since members have sent in previously missing copies and extra copies of scarce issues. The Committee discussed keeping extra copies in a second location.

Caryn Ann suggested keeping three copies in the CO LP archive and research other facilities that might wish to have our excess copies, and whatever is left to give away at convention or sell. Joe D. will check into Hoover. James stated that the LSLA may also have interest in this since they were going to take up a history project if the LNC



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dropped this issue. Caryn Ann believes that the LSLA is not actively working on the project any longer.

*Caryn Ann moved that the Committee recommend that up to three copies of the LP News be retained with any excess copies be disposed of at the Historical Committee's discretion.*

This passed with no objections.

**Misc:** Caryn Ann asked that the Committee consider for the future the possibility of taking out free Craigs' List ads in major cities across the country seeking person with national historical pieces.

Meeting adjourned at 5:35pm.

**Next meeting is set for August 16, 2017 at 4pm Mountain.**