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PARTY HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

MEETING SUMMARY APRIL 19, 2017

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 @4pm Mountain

Where: Online: Go To Meeting

Committee

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

Member

Attendees: Michael Fucci

Meeting was called to order at 4:02pm. The Agenda was approved. There were no member comments. The Minutes/Summary was approved with the changes previously suggested by Joe Dehn.

Update on Records Move: The records will be in Colorado at the end of month. The lease for the storage facility has been signed. There is room to access each box and still have room for a desk.

Home Page: James Gholston has made edits to the home page. Joe D. asked about text boxes not “fitting,” and James said he could change. It was decided that any Committee member could change the “Featured Article” to refresh the page—ideally on a weekly basis. Logo has been re-done in high resolution.

A “donate” button will also be added to the home page and other pages throughout LPedia.

LPedia User Guide: Joe D. is going to incorporate state designations into our naming convention and will update our policy page accordingly. It was decided that anything smaller than state level (such as county) will need to be decided by the LPedia users that are doing so or we will need to look at on a state-by-state basis.

Joe D. added language and explanation about the use of the “Document” name space using examples from the Bylaws page. They are created like any other page but using [namespace:]. If anything is added, such as a Table of Contents, it needs to be noted as “not in original document.”



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“Other versions” placement was also discussed. Joe D.’s preference is to have a floating text box at the top. Ideally we will have both wikitext and the PDF/image. Joe D. is working on templates for this and will get the Platform wikitexts in the document namespace.

We need to give thought to projects for volunteers to do.

Also needed is an LPedia Management article. Caryn Ann will take care of that.

LP News and Liberty Pledge: The LP News that we have so far are almost done. There is a lot of manual OCR work with Liberty Pledge that is going a bit slow. Michael Fucci explained the OCR issues he was having with Adobe and the fact that it doesn’t allow manual edits to the OCR.

As far as the remaining LP News, this is on hold pending receipt of the records in Colorado. Caryn Ann has received widely divergent prices (from \$.50 page to \$1.90 page) that needs further investigation and will be requesting test scans and may need to investigate more companies. This will be easier once the actual records are in CO. This is a time intensive job that Joe B. does not think he could possibly do solely on volunteer time, but he is willing to scan the critical ones.

Most Wanted Lists: We will add to this as we know what is missing, but right now we do have a list of potentially missing items from Liberty Pledge.

Larger Files: File size max is now increased to 16mb from 8mb. Extensive discussion was had about the desirability of an additional server for larger files and for backups. For instance, Trish is working on the 1972 and 1974 Convention audio files. We can create sub-domains and point it where we wish since we have control of the LPedia domain. Ed Fochler recommended Amazon which has a 500gig server for \$25 a month. It would not be cheaper even if we could piggyback on the Amazon account of the main LP.org site, and the issue of having anything on the same server was part of the prior LPedia problems. It is a raw server to do with as we wish, including distributions of backups. It could serve recordings.lpedia.org and backups.lpedia.org. Caryn Ann will follow-up with Sean O’Toole on our DNS control and will find out what budget this backup server will come out of.

We will eventually want to store video files.



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Access to the Amazon drive will be restricted in part to committee members as it will contain backups with user names and passwords.

Motion by Joe Dehn: Move to authorize Ed Fochler to set up a virtual server on Amazon or equivalent that will serve both as backup of LPedia and for auxiliary storage space for files we do not wish to be stored on LPedia at cost of up to \$30/month.

This Motion passed without objection.

Mega: The servers might disappear any day so it is not a reliable option for us if we are counting on permanence, such as for backups. This is just a sandbox working space that many volunteers can access and work with. Caryn Ann also mirrors this drive at home (on several drives) and will eventually store the extra in a fire safe or safety deposit box.

Richard Winger Archive: It is uploaded to the Mega Drive. We will need to decide how to handle with LPedia.

Committee Organization: It was explained to Joe B. that the Committee subsists within the LNC so we do not require a separate Treasurer—our money comes through the LNC budget and account.

Trouble Tickets: MyWikis is still working on fixing the “active users” page but says that the categories issues have been fixed.

Motion by Joe Buchman: Move to make Michael Fucci an administrator at LPedia.

After discussion on the numbers/names of current administrators, the motion was passed without objection.

Next meeting is set for May 10 at 4pm Mountain.