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PARTY HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

MEETING SUMMARY April 21, 2021

- Date and Time:** Wednesday, 21 April 2021 at 4:00pm Mountain time
- Where:** Online: Zoom
- Committee Attendees:** Caryn Ann Harlos, Joe Dehn, Ed Fochler, James Gholston, Andrew Kolstee, Anna Mosashvili
- Other Attendees:** none

The meeting was called to order at 4:05pm Mountain time.

Records of Past Meetings: The minutes of the 7 April meeting were approved without objection.

Records Archive Update: Caryn Ann reported that she was able to spend some time at the storage unit organizing material, but will not have time for that for several weeks because she will be attending state conventions. We are expecting to receive some material from Tani Mathias (David Bergland's daughter), as well as from Ruth Bennett. Caryn Ann also described various items that she had recently purchased from Ebay or used book stores (which, if they are directly related to the LP, she usually then donates to our collection).

Policy Updates: Caryn Ann reported that she added a note about how to handle lengthy lists (put them in separate articles or use collapsable tables).

Templates: Andrew reported that there is now a template for generic disambiguation pages.

Volunteers: Caryn Ann reported that some of the volunteers who she has been training have started working on things. One person is working on scanning buttons; these are being included both on pages representing the overall collection of buttons and on the pages to which they are directly relevant (e.g., for a campaign button, the article about that candidate). Similar work could be done for things like bumper stickers and convention badges. There is also somebody who has expressed interest in helping with digitizing audio cassettes.



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Site Statistics: Ed reported that traffic continues at about 100 users per day.

Site Technical: Ed reported running into problems restoring backups when articles contain non-standard characters. There was discussion of variations in the ways that these can be represented and can find their way into articles (e.g., by cutting and pasting). Joe suggested we find some way to scan all the articles looking for such problematic cases so that we can update them to use a standard representation (e.g., HTML "entities").

Nolan Collection: Caryn Ann reported that we still have little information about how much scanning Joe Buchman has actually been doing – he has not given an estimate for how long he expects it to take, he has not indicated what fraction he has done so far, and he has not been providing copies of the files resulting from the scanning (beyond a couple of initial samples).

50th Anniversary Event: Caryn Ann reported that although an event is still expected to be held in the Denver area at the end of August, as far as she has heard the contract with the venue has still not been signed, which is why details have not yet been announced. Joe suggested that, assuming what is being planning is actually supposed to be a celebration of 50 years of the LP (rather than, e.g., just some kind of fundraising event) this committee should be involved. Caryn Ann noted the site may have limited capacity due to pandemic-related restrictions.

Scanning Projects: Caryn Ann is planning a trip to New Mexico in May, and will be bringing material that needs to be done by hand (which she will do herself). We may also get a bid from that company to scan some large-format material (which requires equipment that is not available for use by volunteers).

Future Meetings: The next meeting is scheduled for 5 May 2021.

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