

SLHC Draft Minutes 06.04.20

*Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Zoom at 6:00 PM June 4, 2020 by Michael Masterson. Seth Copenhaver from the SLNC helped us get started.

*Roll Call

Michael Masterson, Cheryl Revkin (Co-chairs), Maureen Richey, Betsy Isroelit, Mark Simon, Janis Purins, Khoi Pham were present

*Welcome and rules for action on virtual meeting.

*Approval of Previous minutes

The minutes from the last meeting were approved

*General Public Non-Agenda Items

Tricia McGrath dropped off a disc with old photos, video of LA Red Car Days taken by David Ratka. Janis looked at them and downloaded them. Tricia confirmed that David gave permission for us to use them.

*New Business

a. Editing and posting of previous interviews

Silver Lake Library tenth anniversary and monarch butterfly event. Michael and Janis would like to do this together if they can figure out a way to do it and social distance at the same time. Maureen said there is a way to do it by screen sharing. Janis has some good footage of the Monarch Butterfly Migration event. John Wingler is interviewed along with the organizer, Olivia Barrionuevo.

b. How to do future interviews-via Zoom, etc.?

We are thinking this might be a good time to interview people since venues are still closed, people are at home. Mo said we can conduct an interview on Zoom and record it.

Michael and Mark want to interview the owners of the Eagle Bar. They could possibly go there since it is a large venue and they could stay distanced from each other. Mark will contact one of the owners named Charlie.

c. Recording/assembling the voices of Silver Lake documenting the pandemic and sheltering in place and also, now, Silver Lake's response to the murder of George Floyd and racial injustice.

Some ideas came up for documenting how Silver Lake residents and business people are responding:

Record the 8pm Howl

Take photos of closed and boarded up business, businesses closing for good now posting FOR LEASE signs.

Take photos of BLACK LIVES MATTER, NO JUSTICE NO PEACE, etc. posted around the neighborhood and reservoir.

Take video footage of local demonstrations

We would also like to document people's written responses. We discussed different ways of collecting people's responses, curating the submissions and what format we would use to post the responses.

Mo said she would create a poll using SurveyMonkey, which is free of charge. We liked that idea. She will compose draft questions and send it around for approval, suggestions etc.

Janis and Khoi mentioned using Dropbox for collecting and storing photos, though Khoi cautioned that we could get overloaded.

We generally favored asking for one photo accompanied by a response or story related solely to the pandemic for now. Survey Monkey could be posted on FB and SLNC website.

d. Other interviews to be scheduled when possible: Laurie Pepper, Ryan Jarvis, Terry Jackson

e. USC archive:

We still have not been able to reach the right person at USC to see if/how we can update our Archive there with more recent interviews.

Future Agenda Items

a. Rescheduling Paul Ayers presentation History of LA in 100 images at the library

Cheryl will contact the Silver Lake Library to see if we can create a type of webinar which would include a talk by Paul Ayers and a Q&A session. Depending on the response, Michael will contact Paul to see if he wants to do it, if he would require a fee, if he would be willing to leave the "event" permanently on the Silver Lake Library site and if we could post it to our YouTube channel.

b. How to participate in the Archives Bazaar

Of course we have no idea if the Bazaar will happen virtually or otherwise, but we would like to participate if it does.

Adjournment

We decided to schedule our next Zoom meeting for July 9 instead of July 2 due to the holiday. It will be 7/9/2020 at 6:30pm