RMHUC Steering Committee

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 7, 2012 Daniels Fund Building

In attendance:

Fred Ris – President Douglas Dinsmoor – Webmaster Babette Greenwell – Speaker's Series John Griffin – Schools and Scholarship Mike Durall – Secretary

Phil Weintraub Anna Jones Tracey Smith Eric Eversley Christina Gomez Steve Kregstein

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM.

I. <u>Consent agenda</u>, Members approved three items: the recommendation to co-sponsor the CYA Museum Panel on April II; accepted the summer program update; and accepted the Web site status report.

2. <u>Financial report</u>. Finances are running more or less normally. Spice of Life has promised (verbally) to refund \$598 in unauthorized overcharges plus \$146.33 in sales tax that should not have been charged for the Holiday Party. If they follow through, that will get the events a lot closer to our break-even target. We got lucky on the balance between walk-ins and no-shows at the 126th anniversary party (February 11), and arrived at a profit of \$39.57.

3. <u>Membership status</u>: Current membership stands at 267 members, including 27 recent new members. This figure is higher than membership over the past two years.

4. <u>Speaker series/ events</u>. Babette brought us up to date on recent events, including 23 people who attended the 126th anniversary celebration; and 50 who turned out for the Rachel Greenwald Valentine's event. Also on the schedule is

the April 11 Museum Panel discussion.

5. <u>Membership committee</u>. Tracey is the chair of the new membership committee, and has recruited four or five new members to date. There was some discussion about membership for widows and widowers, corporate memberships, and multiple-year membership.

6. <u>Membership profiles on the Web site</u>. Members agreed that we would use two existing profiles, while continuing to identify other grads who would like to be featured. Profiles may be a combination of "snapshot" bios, as well as longer feature articles.

7. <u>Schools committee.</u> John summarized a number of activities underway, in particular the ongoing interviews and the ranking committee meetings, Seven students qualified for early admissions and six accepted. The "admit" gathering is scheduled for April 15.

8. <u>Alumni Leadership Conference.</u> Fred, Anna, and Eric attended. They provided an update, and there was discussion about what Alumni clubs might be involved in, which

clubs were noted for good work, and a new regional HAA director in Phoenix.

9. <u>Mount Harvard photos.</u> Some discussion about a photographer who is willing to donate a photo, if his work is identified on the Web site. This brought up the issue of sponsorships, paid or unpaid, and how people might be recognized.

NOTE: April, 2012 meeting to be held on March 28.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.