RMHUC Steering Committee

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 7, 2012
Daniels Fund Building

In attendance:

Fred Ris – President
Douglas Dinsmoor – Webmaster
John Griffin – Schools and Scholarship
Tracey Smith - Membership
Mike Durall – Secretary
Phil Weintraub
Anna Jones
Eric Eversley
Steve Kregstein
Peter Hanson

The meeting was called to order at 6:48 PM.

1. Consent agenda. Members approved two items: the Web status report from Douglas, and the minutes of the previous meeting with one minor change.

2. Financial report. The current balance sheet is accurate as of June 30, the end of the fiscal year. Some minor Quickbook adjustments will be made to the Profit and Loss budget vs. actual, July 1, 2011 – June 29, 2012. Members reviewed an extremely interesting ten-year profit and loss summary. Kudos to Fred for assembling the long-term perspective.

3. Membership status. We received 54 new names from HAA in June. Some may be Colorado residents who addresses revert to Colorado after graduation. This totals 167 new names in the past six months. The fiscal year end total membership is 282, There remains some difficulty in e-mail and post card bounce-backs. Fred noted that 154 memberships are due to expire on August 31.

4. Membership extension. There was considerable discussion about providing an early-discount as an incentive for members to renew. Fred mentioned that HAA had included an option of up to 20 percent. Members voted 8-1 to offer
current members either a 20 percent, or $10 discount to renew their basic memberships. The discount does not apply to patron or sponsor levels.

5. CLIMB. Anna reminded members of a July 18 dinner for interns at the office of Dave Thomas. Andrew Romanoff is the scheduled speaker.

6. Alumni Magnet. There was no spike in visits following the June 23 e-mail blast, which raises some concern about e-mail getting through. Also some discussion about how few graduates may even realize the Club has a Web site. Douglas suggested that HAA send an e-mail to Colorado graduates reminding them of the site. 104 members now on LinkedIn.

7. Speaker’s series. Members reviewed Junko’s extensive calendar and schedule for the coming year. There was some discussion about whether events would be open to non-alums, but no action taken. Fred also reviewed the presentation by Kate Silburn, which drew about twenty people, half of which were first-time attendees.

8. Global Night of Networking. Tracey reported this event as being a great success, in part because of a new venue in the Denver Tech Center that attracted alums from Colorado Springs. While there were some minor glitches in the food service, Tracey suggested that this event be held quarterly.

9. Annual meeting and barbecue. To be held on Sunday, August 26, at the home of Sue Townsend.

10. Next service event. Friday, September 7, at Trinity Methodist Church, 18th and Broadway in downtown Denver. Once again, we will serve meals to homeless people in the area.

11. By-law review. Fred summarized this effort, which will be underway soon. The last review was in 1995, and current by-laws do not reflect what RMHUC does today.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 PM