

MINUTES - RMHUC STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

June 12, 2024

I. CALL TO ORDER. RMHUC President C. Horton called the meeting, which was held via Zoom, to order at 18:35 MDT.

II. MEMBERS AND GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE AND RECOGNITION OF QUORUM. The following members were present: Alicia Alvero Koski, Paul Chessin, Stacey Fiske, Sunhee Juhon Hodges, Bill Horton, Charlotte Horton, Chris Miller (joined at 18:37), and Rick Walsh. Member Fred Ris was absent, having previously sent his regrets. Members John Griffin, Anna Jones, and Leah Porter were absent. Guests present were Cynthia Cohen and Brianna Oppong-Antwi. President C. Horton determined that the meeting was duly called and noticed and that a quorum was present.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA. Upon motion M/S/P, the previously circulated agenda, as amended, was approved.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES. Upon motion M/S/P, the April 2024 Steering Committee's meeting minutes were approved. Upon motion M/S/P, the May 2024 Steering Committee's meeting minutes were approved, as amended.

V. INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS. For the guests' benefit, the Steering Committee members briefly introduced themselves. For the Steering Committee members' benefits, the guests introduced themselves. B. Horton and C. Horton announced that they both attended Alumni Day and remarked that it was a wonderful event, though they noted that interim president Alan Garber was assaulted on stage. The Steering Committee noted the passing of Robert Dodge, MPA '90, an active Club member.

VI. MARKETING AND EVENTS.

A. Review of Past Events

1. Pink Martini/Colorado Symphony Orchestra. C. Miller recapped this very successful event and advised that it ended in the black financially. Upon motion M/S/P, the Steering Committee approved the expenditure of up to \$100 for a thank you gift, consisting of framed pictures of the event, to be given to Pink Martini.

2. Denver Chamber Music Festival. S. Hodges reported that there were 35 attendees at this June 2, 2024, event. The musicians gave a brief presentation before the concert, and overall the event was delightful.

3. Happy Hour. A. Alvero Koski reported that this June 5, 2024, event at the Lowry Beer Garden was very successful and at an excellent venue. There were about 30-40 attendees. Feedback from several attendees was that they would like to see more free or low cost events. Ms. Koski reported that she spent \$59 on the event. Upon motion M/S/P, the \$59 expenditure was approved.

B. Upcoming/Proposed Events.

1. RMHUC Annual Meeting. C. Miller reported that he has arranged with the Denver Press Club, at 13th and Glenarm in Denver, to hold the Annual Meeting there at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 29, 2024. He also arranged for a sandwich spread, to include beer and wine. He proposed a budget of \$2,200.00 for the event. Upon motion M/S/P, the Steering Committee proposed to the Trustees to hold the Annual Meeting at the Denver Press Club on June 29, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. MDT. Upon motion M/S/P, the Steering Committee approved a budget of \$2,200.00 for the event. Notice of the meeting would be sent out no later than June 19, 2024.

2. Aspen Art Fair. C. Horton reported that the Harvard Club of Dallas is hosting an art fair event at Aspen on July 31 and August 1, 2024. Discussion ensued regarding what involvement, if any, the RMHUC should have in this event. It was decided that the RMHUC would cross-promote the event by posting the event on the RMHUC website.

3. Summer BBQ. A. Koski raised the question of whether the RMHUC wanted to host a summer barbecue get-together. As the ensuing discussion was favorable, Ms. Koski agreed to pursue and investigate the matter.

4. Fiske Planetarium. R. Walsh reported that he heard from the presenter, Erica Nelson, who advised that she could be available on October 20, 2024. This date also worked for the Planetarium. He further asked whether the RMHUC wanted to make this an all-Ivy event, discussion of which was postponed to a future meeting.

VII. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

A. Trustees. C. Horton advised that the Trustees will meet soon.

B. Finance. S. Fiske summarized her previously circulated financial reports. In particular, she noted that some \$1,300 so far had been contributed to the Scholarship Fund. Upon motion M/S/P, the RMHUC will contribute up to \$1,700 to

the Scholarship Fund, so as to make a total contribution of \$3,000 to the Fund, as had been done in prior years.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS.

A. Proposal for a Volunteer Program. Guest C. Cohen presented various thoughts regarding possible opportunities for RMHUC members to engage with young people, such as middle school students on up. Her thoughts included early college awareness programs and working with the Denver Scholarship Fund. Discussion ensued, after which the Steering Committee requested if Ms. Cohen could come back at a future date with some specific proposals.

IX. NEXT MEETINGS. The next Steering Committee meetings are scheduled for July 10, August 14, and September 11, 2024, whether in person or virtual to be determined.

X. ADJOURN. There being no other business, president C. Horton adjourned the meeting at 20:16 MDT.