

RMHUC Steering Committee

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 2, 2011
Daniels Fund Building

In attendance:

Fred Ris – President
Douglas Dinsmoor – Webmaster
Molly Theolosen – Communications/Facebook
Mike Durall – Secretary

Phil Weintraub
Peter Hanson
Anna Jones
Tracey Smith

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM.
2. Minutes of the September 28 meeting were approved.
3. Financial review. Fred reported on the current membership and financial situation. As of September 28, membership stands at 176. Member dues brought in \$8,620; the Scholarship Fund, \$1080; and the summer program, \$445.
4. Appreciation moment. Fred broke out the non-alcoholic champagne, and we all toasted Douglas for his monumental and persistent efforts in getting Alumni Magnet up and running, against great odds.
5. Alumni Magnet. Douglas reported that AM was launched on October 25. He reviewed some of the ins and outs of the new program, including the fun things and the not-so-fun things. Fred reviewed the “back end” features, such as ease in using various databases.
6. CLIMB. The Letter of Understanding between CLIMB and the RMHUC was signed on October 31. The agreement provides that the RMHUC will commit to at least two students at \$1,000 each for the summer of 2012.
7. New arrival events. We’re still searching for ideas and engaging ways to welcome new grads to Colorado, approximately 130 new arrivals (some recent grads; many not) recently.
8. The HAA Alumni Leadership Conference will be held on Feb. 2-3 in Cambridge.

9. Student employment in January. Fred suggested hiring a student during the January break possibly to do some homework and research regarding the history of RMHUC and its 125th celebration. There was some talk about having a publication available at this event.

10. Harvard-Yale game. Phil said we may now have a sizeable portion of Choppers for the 128th playing of The Game.

11. The annual holiday party is scheduled for December 10 at the home of Aaron Harber in Lafayette.

12. Executive Committee. Fred, Phil, and Anna mentioned this structure as possibly being helpful in running the club. Fred will send out a survey, and others in the room asked former presidents for their views.

13. Scrooge. Anna recounted that at a Club holiday party some years ago, then-president Norma Moore had provided a pitcher that was a caricature of Scrooge (*A Christmas Carol*) that had been presented to Randy Moore by cast members of the Denver Center Theatre Company. (Scrooge has been one of Randy's signature roles for many years.) The pitcher was broken during the party. Anna has located a source of potential replacement and asked whether the Club would be inclined to pay for this. This was given unanimous assent.

14. Website. Douglas asked members to continue working on the site, to improve the content of the various sections.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.