

**The Rocky Mountain Harvard University Club
Minutes of a Meeting of the
Steering Committee**

June 6, 2018

A meeting of the Steering Committee (the “**Committee**”) of The Rocky Mountain Harvard University Club (“**RMHUC**”) was held on Wednesday, June 6, 2018 at 6:41 p.m. MT.

Members Participating:

Christina Gomez
JK Costello
Eric Eversley
Paul Chessin
Fred Ris
Sunhee Hodges
Christie DiNapoli
Stacey Lyne
Steve Kregstein

Members Absent:

John Griffin

Guests:

Madeline Woods (via Skype)

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:41 p.m. MT by Christina Gomez. Ms. Gomez announced that a quorum was present and that the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

I. Preliminaries: Members of the Committee shared personal updates.

II. Approval of Minutes: Upon motion duly made and seconded to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on May 9, 2018, a copy of which was circulated to the Committee in advance of the meeting, the Committee adopted the minutes.

III. Financial Reports: Fred Ris provided an overview of the RMHUC financial report for the month of May 2018. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Committee approved the financial report.

Next, the Committee discussed its annual contribution to the Rocky Mountain Harvard Club Scholarship Endowment Fund and a possible contribution to the Patel Peer Teaching Fellows

Fund in memory of Alex Patel. Questions were asked and a discussion ensued regarding financial budgets, reserves, and contribution amounts. Steve Kregstein moved to approve (1) a contribution of \$3,000 to the Rocky Mountain Harvard Club Scholarship Endowment Fund and (2) a \$5,000 contribution to the Patel Peer Teaching Fellows Fund over three years, with \$2,000 to be contributed in 2018, \$1,500 to be contributed in 2019 and \$1,500 to be contributed in 2020. The motion was seconded and all but one member of the Committee (Mr. Ris) approved.

IV. New Business:

A. Rural Roads Project (Madeleine Woods): Madeline Woods (Harvard College, '19) joined the meeting via Skype and introduced her proposal to launch a college outreach program for students located in rural areas in Colorado. Ms. Woods requested travel reimbursement and funding for three presentations to address early college awareness, financial aid and the college application process. The Committee asked several questions and a discussion ensued regarding possible locations, program content and the overall goals of the program. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Committee approved up to \$800 for travel, presentation materials and related supplies in a pilot program to launch this summer.

Ms. Woods departed the meeting.

V. Past Events:

A. Soup Kitchen (Costello) – May 21st: 10 individuals attended the May soup kitchen. The future location for these events is currently under consideration.

B. Rockies Game (Costello) – May 29th: The Rockies Game event was a success. 38 individuals purchased tickets and 36 individuals attended. JK Costello will consider organizing another Rockies Game event in the fall.

VI. Upcoming Events:

A. LNN (Costello) – June 14th: Registration for this event is open and 84 individuals have registered. The venue agreed to provide beverages at a low price and the event will include a subsidized food truck.

B. SC Strategic Planning Meeting (Costello) – June 25th: The Committee agreed to meet on June 25th for a strategic planning meeting.

C. Soup Kitchen (Costello) – July 23rd & August 20th: There were no updates at this time.

D. DMNS Talk/Tour (Gomez) – July 26th: Ms. Gomez confirmed the details for the tour at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science. The event will be free to attendees.

E. Butterfly Pavilion Talk/Tour (Gomez) – August 5th: The topic for the talk will be monarch butterflies. The Butterfly Pavilion will offer a group rate so long as at least 10 individuals register to attend. Tickets will be available on the website at \$10 for adults, \$6 for children and

\$8 for seniors.

F. Annual Meeting/BBQ (Gomez) – August 18th: The annual meeting will take place on August 18th from 4 to 6 pm. Mr. Kregstein agreed to make arrangements for the catered food.

G. Welcome to Your City (Costello) – October 18th: There were no updates at this time.

VII. Events in Gestation

A. “Dirty Money” showing (Chessin): Paul Chessin circulated venue and pricing options to the Committee by email in advance of the meeting. Mr. Chessin indicated that he is leaning towards the Sie FilmCenter as the venue for several reasons, including pricing and available space for attendees. Harvardwood may be interested in co-organizing and/or co-sponsoring the event. Mr. Chessin currently expects the event to take place in December 2018 or January 2019.

VIII. Committee Updates:

A. Schools Committee (Ris/Hodges/Lyne): 19 of the 20 accepted students are matriculating at Harvard College in the fall. As a result of the 95% yield, there was no movement on the waitlist.

IX. New Business (Cont.):

B. All-Ivy & All-Ivy Women’s Clubs (Costello): Mr. Costello briefly discussed the All-Ivy and All-Ivy Women’s Clubs and noted that these groups are seeking Board members. Mr. Costello would like to discuss ways to interact or collaborate with these clubs moving forward.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m. MT. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 11, 2018.