

MINUTES - RMHUC STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

December 13, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER. RMHUC President C. Horton called the meeting, which was held via Zoom, to order at 18:33 MST.

II. MEMBERS AND GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE AND RECOGNITION OF QUORUM. The following members were present: Alicia Alvero Koski (joined at 18:37), Paul Chessin, Stacey Fiske, Sunhee Juhon Hodges (left at 19:35), Bill Horton, Charlotte Horton, Chris Miller (joined at 18:36, left at 19:38), Leah Porter, Fred Ris, and Rick Walsh (joined at 18:54, left at 20:04). Members John Griffin and Anna Jones were absent. There were no guests in attendance. 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 was approved, as amended.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES. The minutes of the Steering Committee's November 2023 meeting were tabled for approval at the January 2024 Steering Committee meeting.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS. C. Horton related that Anna Jones had resigned her position as RMHUC co-president, but that she would continue to serve as a trustee and Steering Committee member.

VI. MARKETING AND EVENTS.

A. Review of Past Events

1. 2023 Annual Meeting. Upon motion M/S/P, the budget for the 2023 Annual Meeting was increased retroactively to match actual costs.

2. Dim Sum. L. Porter reported that the November 11, 2023, Dim Sum event, went very well, it was a capacity crowd, and the overwhelming sentiment was to have another similar event.

3. Harvard/Yale Game. C. Miller stated that the event met the venue's (Will Call) minimum, and that the venue is a good location. However, for future reference, instructions regarding parking, including garage parking, could be improved.

4. Nutcracker @ Colorado Conservatory of Dance. C. Miller reported that this December 9, 2023, event was very successful, 30 tickets were sold, the event stayed within budget, and the performance was excellent.

5. Holiday Party. A. Alvero Koski reported that 44 tickets were sold. Although the event did not quite break even, the food was great and the venue's upscale albeit expensive ambience (SOL Mexican Cocina in Cherry Creek) made for a nice party.

B. Upcoming/Proposed Events.

1. Winter Park Ski Train. B. Horton updated the status of this event, scheduled for January 26, 2024, and advised that he would purchase a group of refundable train tickets, for reselling to attendees, with minimal financial risk to the RMHUC.

2. Clyfford Still Museum Tour. B. Horton stated that there was nothing to report, and that he still needed to get in touch with C. Freed.

3. GNN. C. Miller noted that this event is scheduled for March 13, 2024, and proposed that the venue be Will Call. Upon motion M/S/P, C. Miller was authorized to negotiate with Will Call as the event's venue.

4. University-Wide Admitted Student Reception. This is a HAA proposed event, to occur anytime between March 22 and April 11, 2024. After discussion, C. Horton agreed to contact HAA to get additional detail about this event.

5. Fiske Planetarium. R. Walsh announced that he has more groundwork to do about planning this event.

6. Denver Chamber Music Festival. S. Hodges summarized her previously-circulated emails, in which she proposed an early to mid June 2024 event in collaboration with the Denver Chamber Music Festival. She suggested the four cello chamber concert at the Clyfford Still Museum, with perhaps a pre- or post-concert talk/meet and greet. She will continue to work on planning this proposed event.

7. Opera Night. B. Horton proposed a February 27, 2024, Night at the Opera to see The Flying Dutchman. He reported that Opera Colorado is offering blocks of tickets - a minimum of 10 tickets - at 20% off.

VII. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

A. Trustees. C. Horton reported that the Trustees met on December 7, 2023.

B. Finance. S. Fiske stated that she is working on the quarterly report, which will be available next month. She had nothing else to report.

C. Schools Committee. S. Hodges and F. Ris advised that early action results will be announced December 14, 2023. Upon motion M/S/P, \$750 was budgeted for a dim sum for early action admittees and their parents, to occur in January 2024. There ensued discussion of Visitas. Upon motion M/S/P, up to \$2,000 was approved for admittees attending Visitas in April 2024 who meet the School Committee's criteria for such reimbursement.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS. C. Horton mentioned the Dartmouth Alumni Club's request to market an All Ivy Dude Ranch trip. It was agreed that the extent of the RMHUC's marketing would be to pass along the invitation from the Dartmouth Club.

IX. NEXT MEETINGS. The next Steering Committee meetings are scheduled for January 10, February 14, and March 10, 2024. Whether in person or virtual is to be determined.

X. ADJOURN. There being no other business, president C. Horton adjourned the meeting at 20:15 MST.