

RMHUC Steering Committee Minutes, June 8, 2016

6:52 Meeting Opens with JK, Tracey, Fred, John, Eric, Phil in attendance

- I. Prelims
 - A. Regrets: Christina
 - B. Guests: Ed Field, Paul Chessin, Sunhee Hodges
 - C. Personal Matters: None.
 - D. Consent agenda adopted unanimously.

- II. Consent minutes (JK): Approved unanimously, with one amendment.

- III. Financial Report (Christina)
 - A. See emailed report.
 - B. This month features few memberships and few expenditures.
 - C. The report is approved unanimously.

- IV. Past events:
 - A. Soup Kitchen, May 23 (JK) was again well-attended.
 - B. New Admits/Parents Tea, June 5 (Fred/Sunhee):
 1. There were ten students and 16 parents.
 2. The events featured a semi-structured discussion on topics of interest to parents and matriculants. Some topics include dormitories, weather, and academics, especially geared toward parents seeing their first children off to college.
 3. Next year, the committee might survey matriculants to determine a date when more can attend. It would be nice to have more current students attend.
 4. Refreshments were served to the tune of \$600 and it is agreed that this cost should be either reduced or discussed prior to spending.

- V. Upcoming events
 - A. GNN, 15 June (Tracey):
 1. A venue was lined up for this but fell through. The dilemma is finding a place for classy networking that does not require an excessive minimum.
 2. Tracey requests that someone take over planning on this event for January; JK may be able to assist with this planning. There is a design school alum who would be willing to help.
 3. This is an important event that should be held in the future in the interest of introducing new members to the club and boosting membership.
 - B. Lunch Service, 18 July, 1 August (JK): Attendance has generally been excellent and these will be well-attended too.
 - C. Annual Meeting BBQ, September 11 (John): John requests that we move this to Saturday September 10th and there are no objections to this change. John will make the reservation this week and inform the steering committee anon. To the committee's knowledge, there are no schedule conflicts with the Broncos, religious holidays, or ominous astrological events.
 - D. Young Alumni Event, October (JK): JK will undertake this.

- VI. Events in Gestation
 - A. Member Volunteer Appreciation Event, (Tracey):
 1. Thus far, it has been difficult to schedule this event at our desired location, the Spire. Therefore, the University Club is an ideal location. If we are willing to do this on a Friday, Fred believes this location could be had for a reasonable price. We have a long-standing

relationship with the University Club going back to the 1940's; the admission to club events in this era cost \$2.

2. At this point, there is a long and wide-ranging discussion of the history of the RMHUC as well as the history of women at Harvard with a transition into current issues facing Harvard including: Board of Overseers elections, final clubs, and inclusion.

- B. Fall HAA Faculty Speaker (Tracey): We need to decide on a faculty speaker to approach about coming to Denver this fall. In the past, we had spoken about Roland Fryer or Harry Lewis. It is requested that committee members express their preferences to Tracey via email.

VII. Status Updates

- A. Schools Committee (Fred): See summary of admissions for this year available on our website.
- B. Membership Committee (Tracey): Deferred.
- C. Communications/Webmaster: No updates.
- D. Local Speaker Series (JK): There has not been much movement on this since the last meeting. JK has a lot of work to finish his Masters and will be less available to plan these for the next two months. Thanks to Ed Field for suggestions.
- E. Young alumni: No activity.

VIII. Pending issues:

- A. Insurance: This is ongoing concern about our group and individual liability. There are three types of insurance that may apply to us:
 - 1. General liability: \$500-1000 per year. This is useful for all events and we need this for interview day, where we pay over \$100 for a one-off.
 - 2. D+O insurance: Should be \$550-2000 annually
 - 3. Liquor liability: (general liability does not cover anything where alcohol is served) \$900? However, this is usually for more hard-drinking and dangerous events.
- B. Minds Matter (Fred) See email of 6/8 for more details.
 - 1. We have by all accounts committed \$3000 for this year, as they have a student attending Harvard Summer School. There was \$540 donated by alumni to help defray this.
 - 2. However, the relationship has not been as mutualistic as was previously agreed. We will, in light of the budget deficit we will run again this year, revisit this in a future meeting that focusing on budgeting given that this is one of our largest line-items for the year. We may also meet with Minds Matter to discuss the partnership details.
 - 3. It is agreed unanimously to donate \$3000 to Minds Matter for this year.
- C. Scholarship fund (Fred)
 - 1. We usually contribute \$3000. Just over \$1000 has been contributed to RMHUC that will help to defray this cost.
 - 2. It is moved to contribute \$3000 and there are no objections to this motion.

IX. Other business

- A. Website Update: We should update the officers' list and replace antiquated pictures with newer ones.

- X. Adjourned at 8:45. Next meeting is Wednesday, July 13th, 2016, 6:30. JK will take care of food. Phil will take care of food for August 10th.