

**Rocky Mountain Harvard University Club**  
**Minutes of Steering Committee Meeting, 14 May 2014**

Present :        Tracey Smith                Eric Eversley  
                     Srinidhi Reddy                John Griffin  
                     Fred Ris                                Christina Gomez

Excused:        Steve Kregstein                Phil Weintraub  
                     Vincent Oletu

(Numbering below references the meeting agenda)

Tracey called the meeting to order at 6:55 PM

- 1.) Preliminaries
  - a.) Regrets: Phil
  - b.) Guests: Ed Fields
  - c.) Personal
  - d.) Agenda adopted
- 2.) Minutes adopted (with minor change regarding Soup Kitchen event)
- 3.) Financial Report
  - Christina transferring duties / documents to Fred
  - Running into some difficulties with the change in Quickbooks version
  - Fiscal year end is June 30<sup>th</sup>
  - Added a new line for PayPal account (for non-Harvard collections for Boulder planetarium event)
- 4.) Upcoming events
  - A.) Soup Kitchen
    - Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at Trinity Church
    - 14 people have signed up (mixture of previous and new volunteers)
  - B.) RMHUC Astro Event, Boulder, May 17<sup>th</sup>
    - As of this morning, 114 registrants
    - Alumni from Brown, Penn, Harvard, Princeton, Dartmouth
    - Not as many children as expected (~15)
    - Srinidhi will be attending event / helping with set up
  - C.) HarvardX
    - Discussion around the Einstein Revolution segment over dinner
    - June 4<sup>th</sup> at Osteria Marco, 6:30PM to 8PM
    - So far 1 person has signed up (outside of Srinidhi and Fred)

- Posted event on FB and sent out personal emails to people who responded to the survey

D.) GNN (Monday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>)

- Denver event in Chinook Tavern in DTC; same private room as last time with overflow onto the patio
- We have a host for Fort Collins (2002 grad)
  - First time we've had an event in this area
  - Location still pending
  - May want to send out an email blast specifically to alumni in that area based on zip code

5.) Events in Gestation

A.) Recent grad event / Welcome to the City

- Last year October 3<sup>rd</sup>
- May stick with the fall again this year as well
- Need to decide on date (weekday, weekend) and location (restaurant, activity)

B.) Annual BBQ

- Christina comes back Thursday, August 21
- Fred is out August 2-3, August 23-24
- Potential dates: August 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, September 7<sup>th</sup>

C.) Member / Volunteer Appreciation Event

- Last year was October 11<sup>th</sup> at the University Club
- Plan for same time this year – late September / early October
- University Club would be a good option again
- Friday wasn't the best choice last year - Saturday may be better (will need to book early since the University Club fills up quickly)

D.) Anna Jones' Women's Pot Luck

- Still waiting on date

E.) Possible Romanoff / Coffman Debate

- No update

F.) Dr. Rina Shinn (AB '86)

- Can pursue event when needed

6.) Status Updates

A) Schools Committee

- Only 1 person took advantage of the Visitas subsidy this year (<\$100 for that person)
- More than 1 attended the weekend, but only 1 asked for reimbursement
- May want to increase total and individual subsidy amounts for admits due to high airline prices

B) Membership Committee

- No update

C) Communications / Webmaster

- May need to hire a part time webmaster
- Tracey to see if she can track down someone (local colleges? Job websites?)

D) Speaker Series

- Still looking for someone to head this section
- Possible future speakers: L. Michael Henry, Ron Faleide (architect),
- Possible locations: Park Hill branch of Denver Public Library

E) Young Alums

- See above

F) Other

7.) Pending issues

8.) Any other business

- Scholarship fund contribution
  - A few contributions made to fund through planetarium ticket purchases
  - Currently have about ~\$1,400
  - In the past, we typically have about that much and add to it so that we can contribute \$3,000 in total
  - Motion passed to do the same this year - \$3,000 to be contributed in June
- Dinner
  - June: Phil
  - July: Srinidhi
- Next meetings
  - Wednesday, June 11
  - Wednesday, July 9

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM