



**CROYA ADULT BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
03-08-2022**

Attendance: Todd Nahigian, Rick Day, Catherine Grey, Leslie Walton, Christine Carr, Kate Leech, Megan Engelberg, Jacqueline Rubin, Bea Pierce, Abby Hanlon, Kristen Lee, Carolyn Bielski, Kristen Weisberg and Susan Simms.

Motion to Open: Christine asked for a motion to open the meeting at 8:14am. Kristen W. motioned to open the meeting, and Carolyn seconded the motion. The motion passed. Kristen L. motioned to approve the January meeting minutes, and Christine seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Todd started the meeting with an ice-breaker requesting attendees to tell a little about yourself and how you are associated with CROYA.

Chairman Report: Christine welcomed everyone and asked “How have you talked about CROYA since we last met?” Todd shared that he represented CROYA @ LFHS Scout Experience. Carolyn said that three of her students used CROYA as the subject of their assigned project to express leadership. Todd stated that CROYA will present to the Lake Bluff Village Board at the meeting on Monday, April 11th and students will be part of the presentation. Christine shared that she asked Anne Marie Scheidler, a resident blogger and journalist, to write an article about CROYA.

Manager Report: Todd stated that rentals have increased on a steady basis. There are two new contacts at Family Service. Most counseling is done virtually. Activator has five teachers teaching music, four in person.

Youth Report: Jacqueline Rubin shared there is lots of excitement with the retreat coming up this weekend. Meetings coming up include a Hypnotist, Bet Your Friend and Cupcake Wars! Kristen W. asked about grade demographics and Jacqueline said highest numbers are Freshman and Sophomores with Juniors having the least attendance. It was discussed that fact could be due to COVID and that class “losing out in person”. **Abby Hanlon** spoke about finding a speaker focusing on “body image”, male or female. She is comforted to see peers interested in having this kind of a speaker. The speaker will focus on putting a positive spin on the subject. It is separate from the Wednesday night meeting so it may draw kids that don’t normally come to CROYA. **Bea Pierce** reported that the service project for MLK Jr. Day was making Valentines for The Foundation for Tomorrow – the organization where we sponsor Gladys. It was a huge success with 40 kids showing up! The retreat is coming up – normally juniors lead, but this year some seniors are leading. Peer training has picked up for Spring semester, and Bea commented that she hears kids rave about it.

Program Reports:

Leslie reported that more kids are attending the Tuesday MS meetings than even before COVID. Paws For Patrick is scheduled to come every other week with therapy dogs. The meeting activity today will revolve around cereal tasting. Next Tuesday is a St. Pat’s party – there will be a gold coin hunt. Tuesday, April 26th will be the annual Donut Cup @ DPM. 80-100 kids usually attend. Leslie shared that Lake Bluff attendance is the highest it’s ever been. The van picks LB students up every day. PALS will be starting in Lake Bluff after spring break. Leslie taught a Peer Pressure course for LBMS 8th grade Wellness. Leslie confirmed that CROYA Middle School programs will be transitioning back to 7th and 8th grades beginning Summer of 2022. There will be no spring MS Dance.

Catherine reported that in addition to all of the above events mentioned in the youth reports, Peer Training will start at Woodlands Academy soon.

Rick shared that after school has been very busy with 20-30 kids in attendance every day. It has been nice not to have to remind kids to wear masks. Some kids are still wearing them. CROYA hosted Laser Tag and used Halloween inflatables as obstacles. Human Whack-a-Mole will be happening soon. Rick reported that he helped with the Talent Show at LFHS. Planning will begin soon for Battle of the Bands.

Foundation: The Foundation covered the cost of helmets for the MS ski trip in February. The TV in the living room area will be upgraded soon. The work will be done by Modern Media Tech. The TV is used every day!

Adjourn Meeting: Megan Engelberg motioned to close the meeting at 9:18am. Kate Leech seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 10th at 8:00am at CROYA.