



Committee Representing Our Young Adults

CROYA ADULT IN PERSON AND REMOTE ACCESS 'SPECIAL' BOARD MEETING MINUTES 05/18/2021

Attendance: Todd Nahigian, Rick Day, Catherine Grey, Leslie Walton, Kristen Weisberg, Jennifer Riley, Kerrigan Weston, Anna Seyfert, and Susan Simms. Chris Carr and Ryan McFadden attended the meeting via Zoom.

Motion to Open: Jennifer Riley motioned to open the meeting at 8:04. Jennifer Durburg seconded the motion. Motion passed. Chris Carr motioned to approve the March meeting minutes. Kristen seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Chairman Report: Jennifer Riley reported it is her final meeting.

Manager Report: Todd read the Remote Access Meeting Proclamation. Todd presented Jennifer Riley and Jennifer Durburg with a farewell gift from CROYA and thanked them for their six years of dedicated service. Todd asked if anyone had been able to promote CROYA since the last meeting. Chris Carr shared that she spoke with Drew Irwin, LB Village President, Glen Cole, the head of the Village of Lake Bluff newsletter, and Nate Blackmer, LBMS Principal. Chris shared with them information regarding the 40th+1 festival and the CROYA magazine. Kerrigan shared the festival information with her family. Todd reported that he assisted with interviews for the City Communications Manager position. He also helped out with the Scout Strong program – Maintaining Hope Through the Pandemic, which identified the mental health repercussions the pandemic has created. Todd is also on the board for Paws for Patrick and May is mental health awareness month. The director of Niles Teen Center is coming for a visit. Todd also mentioned that CROYA wants to be knowledgeable about the proposed Lake Forest Library expansion. CROYA will be participating in the Lake Bluff Beach Clean Up on Wednesday, August 11th.

Youth Report: Kerrigan Weston reported that the two back-to-back spring retreats ran very smoothly. She was so thankful they could happen. Staff placed markers on the floor to help with social distancing. The new High School Executive Committee elections ended two weeks ago with Jaqueline Rubin elected as Chairwoman and Bea Pierce as CSL Chair. She also stated that the new Exec. is a stacked group of people and will be awesome next year.

Anna Seyfert reported that the Magic Mike D. high school meeting went really well, and it is a very popular meeting. The groups for Cupcake Wars were themed. It was super popular and super fun! Both meetings were very successful. Markings on the floor made it easy to social distance. It's nice now that restrictions are lessening and youth don't have to sign up to attend youth meetings.

Program Reports: Catherine shared the 8th grade Welcome Party is tomorrow. There will be a Rock/Paper/Scissors tournament. The Recognition Celebration is scheduled for Monday, May 24th from 6:30-8:00pm. Catherine stated that they are working on securing volunteers for the 40th+1 festival. CROYA is currently working with "Project Full" at LFHS, collecting food donations. Peer training is happening at CROYA with 5 girls attending weekly. We also completed Peer Training for the entire Freshmen class @ Woodlands Academy.

Leslie reported that the Middle School Donut Cup happened outside on the DPM basketball courts. A great T-shirt was designed for all the youth and officers to wear. Everyone had a great time. Leslie is looking for ways to reach the youth. The two DPM Deans of Culture conducted an interview with Leslie to raise awareness of Middle School youth meetings and programs. Right now there are six Lake Bluff girls who attend regularly. We have had fun with Pizza Trivia, Star Wars Trivia and Real Life Among Us (5-6 times). CROYA also helped out with LBMS Wellness Week, leading Bingo and Trivia where it was so great to see the kids in school. Leslie shared that they are also doing Walk and Talk. This year a lot of 6th graders got to experience CROYA.

Rick reported that there are a lot of events coming up, including the DPM 8th Grade Graduation Celebration, the 40th+1 Anniversary Festival on June 6th and Battle of the Bands, which will be outside on Wednesday, June 23rd. Casey Hippel from the band F.L.A.M.E. has been promoting the event very well. Rick commented on the new CDC guidelines – CROYA will continue to require masks. The Bridge Phase has allowed us to double our capacity.

Foundation: Todd presented the final design for the Founders Plaque display. Gene and Margot plan to attend the 40th+1 Anniversary Festival where the plaque will be unveiled. Todd passed out The City of Lake Forest Ward map, stating we need representatives for Wards 3 and 4. There will possibly be a dedication of the mural at the Illinois Rd. viaduct @ 4:30pm on Wednesday, May 26th.

Next Meeting: The next CROYA Board Meeting is Tuesday, July 13th at 8:00am at CROYA.

Adjourn Meeting: Jennifer Riley motioned to close the meeting at 8:50am. Jennifer Durburg seconded the motion. Motion passed.