



**CROYA ADULT IN PERSON AND REMOTE ACCESS BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
07/13/2021**

Attendance: Todd Nahigian, Rick Day, Catherine Grey, Leslie Walton, Kristen Weisberg, Carolyn Bielski, Christine Carr, Kate Leech, Megan Engelburg, Jacqueline Rubin, Bea Pierce and Susan Simms. Stephanie Manarino, Kristen Lee and Henry Sackman attended via Zoom

Motion to Open: Carolyn Bielski motioned to open the meeting at 8:05. Stephanie seconded the motion. Motion passed. Chris Carr motioned to approve the May meeting minutes. Carolyn seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Chairman Report:

Manager Report: Todd read the Remote Access Meeting Proclamation. Todd thanked and introduced the two new board members Kirsten Lee and Kate Leech and the group participated in a “get to know you” quiz. Todd asked the group “how have you been able to talk about CROYA in the community”? Stephanie speaks about CROYA at all Newcomers meetings she attends. She would like to be a liaison between Newcomers and CROYA. Megan Lee talked about the 8th grade graduation celebration and how the partnership between CROYA and DPM APT brought many new kids to CROYA. Todd stated that despite restrictions, we had a busy spring and a very fun summer. There is strong potential to start up Peer Training in the fall. Activator Music Academy has started doing in-person lessons. Todd reported that during the pandemic 5th and 6th graders were welcome at CROYA for the first time. Last years’ 5th graders will be grandfathered in to attend CROYA this fall. CROYA will lead a LB Beach Clean-up and bonfire late afternoon on Wednesday, August 11th.

Youth Report: Jaqueline Rubin reported that the High School work stay was very enjoyable and a great way to get service hours. Activities included cleaning up the float and repairing the picnic table. It was fun to hang out with staff. The Cubs game was ell attended with a good mix of boys and girls. The 8th grade welcome party re-lifted spirits and was very well attended.

Bea Pierce added that it was a short time but so much fun. There was a Rock/Paper/Scissors tournament. It has been the best attended meeting. The next week was Bennis with many 8th graders attending.

Program Reports: Catherine reported that the Recognition Celebration on Monday, May 24th was a success! There were cupcakes from Bent Fork and all the seniors were recognized. There were five essay winners – all were phenomenal. Todd added that Anna Seyfert and Casey Hippel presented their essays to City Council via zoom at the July meeting.

Leslie stated that late spring brought lots of opportunities that included Braves Fest and DPM Field day, which was CROYA’s 1st time back at DPM. Popsicles were served one day at LBMS and the CROYA van has restarted. The MS Workstay happened with three Lake Bluff students. We went to Feed My Starving Children and worked on the LF Day float in the LFFD bay.

Rick reported on the success of the 40th+1 CROYA Anniversary celebration. Over 300 people attended to listen to great bands and purchase food and drink from local vendors. One of the CROYA anniversary flags was signed by attendees and has been framed. Battle of the Bands was held with 100+ attendees. F.L.A.M.E was the winner and Marigold was 2nd. The event was so much less restrictive than last year. Steve Douglas from the HS is running a Film Boot Camp for MS and HS students. Vince Vaughn is participating and they are coming to CROYA today to film!

Foundation: Todd acknowledged that the Foundation was instrumental in the 40th+1 Anniversary Celebration including the Mural and Mural dedication, the CROYA magazine and the CROYA Founders display and dedication. Thank you!

Next Meeting: The next CROYA Board Meeting is September 14th, 8:00am at LFHS.

Adjourn Meeting: Kristen W. motioned to close the meeting at 8:59am. Megan E. seconded the motion. Motion passed.