

CROYA ADULT BOARD MEETING MINUTES 11/27/2018

Attendance: Todd Nahigian, Susan Simms, Rick Day, Meghan Gayter, Leslie Walton, John Maher, Jennifer Karras, Carolyn Bielski, Stephanie Mannarino, Jennifer Durburg, Megan Engelberg, Gina Sobhy and Shaffer Franklin.

Motion to Open: John motioned to open the meeting at 8:10am and Carolyn seconded the motion. John motioned to approve the September meeting minutes. Jennifer K. seconded the motion. The motion passed. Manager Report: Todd asked the group when they had talked about CROYA in the recent months. Jennifer D. stated that a friends' son attended the CROYA fall retreat and had a very helpful experience. Jennifer K. said her daughter's friends who attended the retreat stated the experience was life changing. Carolyn acknowledged a possible challenge with LBMS being that there are a smaller number of students getting on the van and that they may be intimidated by the number of DPM students already at CROYA. Todd informed Stephanie that she will need to complete the "Open Meetings Act" training. He also explained the official reason for board meetings. Todd announced the new CROYA Foundation President will be Susie Kullby and the new Treasurer will be Henry Sackman. Because of a typo in the Lake Forest City Book, CROYA will get a ½ page ad in the next publication for the price of a ¼ page ad. Justin Bower is waiting on approval for his Eagle Scout project to begin constructing furniture for the downstairs study/lounge.

Youth Report: Gina reported that youth came dressed in costume for the Halloween party. The Donut Bowl was a success and the meeting with Mike D.'s Magic had a lot of attendees. The Fall Retreat was full with good representation from all grades. The 'Friendsgiving' lunch was held Wednesday, November 21st. There was representation from LFHS graduating classes from 2008 to current. Shaffer reported that all members on the high school Executive Committee sold poinsettias, except for two. The biennial CROYA Foundation fundraiser will be held Sunday, February 10th. Funds will be raised for The CROYA Foundation and The Ellie Burns Foundation.

Program Reports: Leslie reported the Middle School Dance was a success with over 300 attendees. The Fright Fest trip was full and had a number of students on the wait list. Both LBMS and DPM were well represented. CROYA hosted 20 8th grade students for DPM's 8th grade Day of Service for 2 hours of service. The group then cheered the CROYA team on in the City of Lake Forest employees' Kickball Tournament. Leslie, with help from Rick, ran two activities during Lake Bluff Middle School's Red Ribbon Week. MS Cooking Club is every Thursday and the youth LOVE it! Monkey Bread has been made more than once. MS Exec is working on following through with their great ideas. The trip uptown to sell Poinsettias was extremely successful.

Meghan reported that the Fall Retreat was awesome. There were 84 participants, 60 females and 24 males. There were 21 girls on the waitlist. The leaders did an amazing job. There was a new format with more groups and less people in each group. It was a good way to meet people. Rick reported that Student Union attendance has been consistent with 20-30 kids each day. CROYA intern Arthur is still doing a great job. Matt Carr is now an official volunteer twice a month on Tuesdays. We had a field trip to X-Factor Trampoline Park. It was a small group, but we had a great time. Rick taught a quick class about Peer Training to five groups of Freshmen at Lake Forest Academy, on their Healthy Choices Day.

Foundation Report: The new lights are fully installed with a touch screen allowing the ability to program and change colors to come on automatically. We are receiving another \$30,000 grant from the Plansoen Foundation. One item this grant will fund is a much needed 10 year upgrade to the current A/V system. The Poinsettia Sale pick-up dates will be Friday, November 30th and Saturday, December 1st.

Chairman Report:

Next Meeting: The next CROYA Adult Board Meeting is Tuesday, January 8th, at 8:00am at CROYA. **Adjourn Meeting:** John motioned to close the meeting at 8:52am. Megan seconded the motion. Motion passed.