

CROYA ADULT BOARD MEETING MINUTES 05/14/2019

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

Motion to Open: Jennifer D. motioned to open the meeting at 8:06am and Carolyn Bielski seconded the motion. Carolyn Bielski motioned to approve the May meeting minutes. Megan E. seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Chairman Report: Jennifer K. asked attendees when they have talked about CROYA. Todd stated there was a wonderful article about Meghan by Shaffer Franklin published in the Lake Forest Scout newspaper. He also said that he keeps a running list of media lines where CROYA is mentioned. Jennifer brought up a link in "Make it Better" magazine.

Manager Report: Todd reported that the Recognition Dinner will be held Tuesday, May 21st at CROYA, and the Lake Forest Boards and Commissions dinner will be May 31st at the Lake Forest Club. One of the Family Service therapists left, but there are still two staff members using CROYA space. Todd talked about being interviewed by NBC News regarding binge drinking, described as 5 drinks over a 2 hour period. Haley Banta and Ashley Bufe were also part of the interview. It will air Friday, May 17th on the 10:00pm news. Twenty students attended the Post Prom Party that was held at the Lake Forest Club. Jennifer K. suggested starting the conversation with rising Junior parents regarding the Post Prom event to boost attendance. Todd shared the summer activities on the calendar are: the traditional High School Work Trip to Battle Creek, MI; a Middle School Work Stay; 3 youth meetings; a beach event with House of Peace; hosting of an Italian youth group; and a Cubs night game.

Youth Report: Gina reported that the Embrace Diversity Club of LFHS held a meeting at CROYA on May 6th. She stated that it was a really cool experience and she enjoyed learning about the experiences of minority members of the LFHS student body. Positive and negative aspects were discussed. Interesting information learned is 85% of LFHS is white with 19 students being African-American.

Program Reports: Leslie reported that Wednesday, May 15th is the 8th grade welcome party from 7:00-8:00pm at the High School meeting. It is always the same agenda and is usually heavily attended. May 23rd will be the 6th grade welcome party from 3:40-5:30pm. All 6th graders from Deer Path Middle School, Lake Bluff Middle School of St. Mary, and Lake Forest Country Day School are invited. No 7th or 8th graders will attend that day. Leslie represented CROYA for two days during Lake Bluff Middle School Wellness Week, playing games, and serving lemonade and Suzie Swirls. Leslie said that the PALS leadership classes have recently graduated and are excited to start coming to CROYA.

Meghan reported that there were 3 weeks of High School Executive Committee elections. A lot of people ran with less drama than usual. To vote, you must have attended a CROYA meeting in the past. For the first two nights, elected positions were called by phone. On the third night, winners were announced on Instagram. Haley Banta is the future Chairwoman. Lake Bluff is represented by two Exec. members.

Rick reported that the **Battle of the Bands** made its return to LFHS on April 13th after several years off-site. The bands were awesome with Carpool winning the contest. A twelve person a capella group won for an added "Battle of the Solo Bands" component. LFHS New Media filmed the event. Rick also reported that a company was hired to run a Middle School Laser Tag event. It was an inflatable course where 60 kids participated, and it was a huge success!!! A new game idea would be Nerf Wars.

Foundation: Justin Bower is moving along with his Eagle Scout project to renovate the downstairs classroom into a Study/Lounge. The room has been painted with new, bright colors.

Next Meeting: The next CROYA Board Meeting is Tuesday, July 9th at 8:00am at CROYA.

Adjourn Meeting: Stephanie motioned to close the meeting at 9:12am. Jennifer K. seconded the motion. Motion passed.