

**Thumb Area Unity Council**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**June 12, 2018**  
**6:00 pm**

The June, 2018 Business Meeting of the Thumb Area Unity Council was called to order by Larry B., at 6:00 pm.

**Roll Call:**

A Quorum was Established. Sign in sheet was distributed. All Members continue to be strongly encouraged to keep information current about their group's contact and Meeting Information and forward onto the Web Mistress for Posting on [www.tauc.ws](http://www.tauc.ws) Web Mistress Email: [info@tauc.ws](mailto:info@tauc.ws)

**Groups Represented/Representatives:**

Scott H., GSR	Bad Axe Repeaters AA Group
Fred G., GSR	Beaners and Sebewaing AA Groups
Nadine F., Member	Cakima Serenity AA Group
Marvin C., GSR	Caro New Freedom AA Group
Chuck H., Member	Caro New Freedom AA Group
Larry B., GSR/Chairperson	Cass City AA Group
Scott H., Member	Cass City AA Group
Bob H., GSR	Elkton AA Group
Mark M., GSR/Vice-Chairperson	For Such A time As This AA Group
Nick K., Member	For Such A time As This AA Group
Steve C., GSR/TAUC Secretary	Kinde Primary Purpose Group AA
Tina T., GSR	Mayville Primary Purpose Group AA
Alexis R., ALT GSR	Mayville Primary Purpose Group AA
Bruce M., GSR	Old Library Group AA
Tim B., GSR/Treasurer	Pigeon Group AA
Paul W. ALT GSR/DCM South	Reese Group AA
Arnie G., ALT GSR/DCM North	Sebewaing and Wisner Groups AA
Ken H., Member	Sebewaing and Huron Mon Groups AA

- A. Tentative Agenda was Distributed and Approved, by Consensus
- B. Minutes from May 8, 2018 meeting of the Council were Distributed. Corrections and clarifications were sought and made. MOTION by Fred G., supported by Bob H., that the Minutes from the May 8, 2018 meeting be approved and posted. Motion Carried
- C. Treasurer's Report

Tim B., Treasurer, presented the Treasurer's Report for the period ending May, 2018

Beginning Balance:	914.79	
Monthly Revenues:	89.00	
		25.00 Bad Axe Beaners Group AA
		10.00 Bad Axe Repeaters Group AA
		10.00 Caro New Freedom Group AA
		5.00 Reese AA Group AA
		30.00 Cakima Al-ANON
		9.00 ½ basket contributions May, 2018
Expenses:	19.30	
		16.30 Steve C., TAUC Secretary Print Supplies-Ink
		3.00 Monthly Service Charge
Ending Balance:	\$ 984.49	

MOTION by Nadine F., supported by Fred G., to Approve the Treasurers Report as presented.: Motion Carried



## 1. Focusing on other Area for Outreach

Discussion was held around targeting Medical Providers, as well as the Clergy, for strategic Outreach activities going forward. This will be an ongoing area for Discussion and Targeting by the PI Committee. It was noted that **September is National Recovery Month**. Further, discussion were held about the Senior Health Fairs, including the one Held at Hills and Dales Hospital, and the Harbor Beach Community Hospital Spring Health Fair 9AA and Al-Anon), and the July 22-28 Tuscola County Fair (Display Only). **Kay W. also** volunteered to share information from the Al-Anon Family Group's Data base, in accordance with **Al-Anon Guideline G-3**, "Cooperation between Al-Anon and AA".

## 2. UPDATING Telephone Directories and other Public and Printed Media

The Committee reviewed current Printed Media listening, including **Telephone Directories and Other Printed and Internet Based Media**. The Committee noted that the majority of our new potential members and requests for information are sought thru the TAUC Website. [www.tauc.ws](http://www.tauc.ws), and through like Internet Based sharing vehicles. Commiittee Members shall keep an eye out for these and suggest and facilitate modifications when necessary. **Wherever possible, we should be directing people to the Web-site**, where information and contacts as well as upcoming events, activities, notices and general information on AA and AL-ANON can be kept current, timely and relevant.

## 3. UPDATED MEETING BOOKLETS

These were distributed. The Committee had reviewed and approved creation of a "**Four-Fold Meetings Flyer**" at their April, 2018 Meeting which will take the place of the costly, and constantly in need of updating, printed ones. **Steve C reported** that these are **being developed and put into practice by Late-Summer**, with a DRAFT for Committee Review and Input at the August, 2018 TAUC PI Committee Meeting. The Secretary offered to make sure that copies would be available at Upcoming Meetings of the TAUC for GSR's that may not have access to a printer.

## 4. DEVELOPMENT OF AN ANNUAL CALENDAR OF PUBLIC IFORMATION OUTREACH EVENTS AND ACTIVITES for Calendar Year 2018

It was reported that the **PUBLIC IFORMATION OUTREACH EVENTS AND ACTIVITES of the TAUC Calendar of Events** has been developed and is now posted on the TAUC Web Site. **Hard Copies** of the Calendar were distributed by the Secretary. All were reminded to **POST THEIR activities by contacting** the Webmistress at [info@tauc.ws](mailto:info@tauc.ws).

**Kathy L, Web Mistress asks** that any **additions/changes/deletions** should be **Forwarded, via E-mail, in electronic Format to the Web Mistress via [info@tauc.ws](mailto:info@tauc.ws)**. The Calendar is already being Populated with events, and Flyers have been attached and embedded therein.

Discussion turned toward **PLANS and COMMITMENTS for Upcoming TAUC Events and Staffing of Public Information Events**

**Offered as potentially of Interest and of Note, with Tentative to Date:**

July 22 -28, 2018	Tuscola County Fair – Need Volunteers to Display Info
September, 2018	National Recovery Month
October 11, 2018	Tuscola County Community Services Expo – at Colwood - Need Volunteers
November 10, 2018	Project Connect – Bad Axe - Need Volunteers

These will be further explored by the Committee, with staffing, logistics and resource commitments explored in upcoming meetings.

## 5. Expectations of Participation by All Members of the TAUC in Carrying the Message

Discussion turned to how we can best solicit ongoing participation from ALL TAUC Members in carrying the Message. Expanding the Participation on the Public Information Committee and having Members step up and assume responsibility on behalf of the TAUC, as a part of our 12'th step duties, was stressed.

It was again noted that following the TAUC Elections in June, the Chairman will be making Committee Assignments and Soliciting participation, but the Committee, and the TAUC, will always accommodate and include interested souls.

Anyone wishing to share their Talents, Perspective and Gifts would be most welcome....anytime.

**NEXT PI COMMITTEE MEETING: August 14, 2018 – 5:00 pm**

**CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE:**

**Tim B. reported** that at **Huron County Jail**, attendance is consistently very low to non-existent, of late. Discussion was held on enhancing participation, and importantly, getting additional AAs to provide Jail service. This will be an ongoing topic for the Corrections Committee.

**Arnie G. reported** that things are going well at the **Tuscola County Jail**. They are at their maximum capacity of 10, with about a 50/50 representation of Men and Women at the Jail Meetings.

**E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**1. TAUC District Area 32, 24 AA Hotline**

**Tina T. agreed to provide coverage for June, 2018.** Discussed was whether the Plan for coverage might entail a longer than a month responsibility going forward, and will be discussed at upcoming meetings of the Council.

**2. Directory Updates and AA Area Telephone Listings and Staffing Updates**

**Steve C. again distributed** the current **AA & AL-ANON – HURON & TUSCOLA COUNTY Meeting Listing (Updated 06/2018)** so that any group's latest revisions and updates could be incorporated into the **TAUC Website Meeting Listings**. If you have changes for your group, contact the Web/mistress at: [info@tauc.ws](mailto:info@tauc.ws) It was noted that keeping this current will be crucial as we will be moving toward a **Downloadable Flyer for Meetings** in our Area, to be presented to the Council at the **August 14<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm Meeting of the Public Information Committee Meeting and then the 6:00 pm Meeting of the Full Council**.

**3. TAUC Elections - 2018**

**At the May 8, 2018 Meeting of the TAUC, Larry B convened the Nominating Committee, and distributed Nominations Forms for the two Positions up for Election in June, 2018: Vice Chairperson and Huron County District Committee Meeting.**

**Nominations were solicited. The Nominations form were also posted to the TAUC Web Site in accordance with the Revised By Laws, for Review of the Nominations Committee and action of the Council at the June, 12, 2018 Meeting. Notice of the Election was posted**

**There were a total of 1 Nomination for each of the two positions that met the Qualifications for the Office.**

**Vice Chairperson: Mark M.**

**DCM – Huron County Arnie G.**

**Hearing no other nominations, the Nominations were Closed.**

**MOTION by Fred G., supported by Ken H.:**

**THAT Mark M. be elected as Vice-Chairperson of the TAUC for the Term of July 10, 2018 to July 14, 2020, and THAT Arnie G. be elected as DCM-Huron County of the TAUC for the Term of July 10, 2018 to July 14, 2020,**

**And Further,**

**THAT a UNANIMOUS Ballot be cast.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

#### 4. Committee/Chair Assignments for 2018

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BY-LAWS, at the July 10, 2018 meeting of the TAUC, the Chairperson shall ASSIGN the following TAUC Committee Assignments:

##### A. PUBLIC INFORMATION ("PI") COMMITTEE

1. Committee Chairperson - Discuss Membership

##### B. COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY ("CPC")

1. Committee Chairperson – Discuss Membership

##### C. CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Committee Chairperson – Discuss Membership

##### F. NEW BUSINESS:

A request for reimbursement in the amount of \$30.00 was submitted by **Paul W., DCM-South**, and approved, for travel related expenses incurred representing the District 24 in Hillman, June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

A request for reimbursement in the amount of \$5.00 was submitted by **Nadine F., PI Committee Member**, and approved, for copying materials for upcoming PI Committee

**DISCUSSION** was held regarding whether our **District (24) Wished to HOST the CMIA 32 June, 2019 Quarterly Meeting. By Consensus**, the TAUC agreed to Host. The Event will be the First Weekend in June, 2019.

Options were explored. It was the **Consensus** of the Group that **Bob H., Paul W., Southern DCM, and Arnie G., Northern DCM, explore options and logistics, and Report Back to the Council** with their recommendations.

##### G. AA and AL-ANON - Related Announcements, Information Sharing

**Next Meeting: July 10, 2018  
6:00 pm  
St. Francis Church Hall Pigeon**

**There being no further Business**, the meeting closed at 6:58 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve C.  
Secretary