

**Thumb Area Unity Council**

**Meeting Minutes**

**July 10, 2018**

**6:00 pm**

The July, 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:**

<b>Fred G., GSR</b>	Clean Bean and Sebewaing AA Groups
<b>Diana S., Representative</b>	Cakima Serenity AL-ANON Group
<b>Marvin C., GSR</b>	Caro New Freedom AA Group
<b>Chuck H., Member</b>	Caro New Freedom AA Group
<b>Larry B., GSR/Chairperson</b>	Cass City AA Group
<b>Paul S., Member</b>	Cass City AA Group
<b>Bob H., GSR</b>	Elkton AA Group
<b>Mark M., GSR/Vice-Chairperson</b>	For Such A time As This AA Group
<b>Steve C., GSR/TAUC Secretary</b>	Kinde Primary Purpose Group AA
<b>Alexis R., ALT GSR</b>	Mayville Primary Purpose Group AA
<b>Bruce M., GSR</b>	Old Library Group AA
<b>Tim B., GSR/Treasurer</b>	Pigeon Group AA
<b>Paul W. ALT GSR/DCM South</b>	Reese Group AA
<b>Arnie G., ALT GSR/DCM North</b>	Sebewaing and Wisner Groups AA
<b>Ken H., Member</b>	Sebewaing and Huron Mon Groups AA

**A. Tentative Agenda was Distributed and Approved, by Consensus**

**B. Minutes from June 12, 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 June 12, 2018 meeting be approved and posted.**  
Motion Carried

**C. Treasurer's Report**

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

<b>Beginning Balance:</b>	<b>984.89</b>	
<b>Monthly Revenues:</b>	<b>226.00</b>	
		25.00 Bad Axe Beaners Group AA
		10.00 Bad Axe Repeaters Group AA
		10.00 Caro New Freedom Group AA
		100.00 Cass City Group AA
		50.00 Kinde Primary Purpose Group AA
		10.00 Mayville Group AA
		10.00 Reese AA Group AA
		11.00 ½ basket contributions June, 2018
<b>Expenses:</b>	<b>90.00</b>	
		52.00 Grapevine Magazine 2 prescriptions
		5.00 Nadine F., Copying
		30.00 Paul W., Tuscola DCM –Travel Reimb
		3.00 Monthly Service Charge
<b>Ending Balance:</b>	<b>\$ 1,140.49</b>	

**MOTION by Fred G., supported by Bob H., to Approve the Treasurers Report as presented.: Motion Carried**



## PI COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

Discussed was our continual need and wish to be inclusive and encourage all TAUC Members as well as other AAs to become involved in providing a hand in carrying the AA Message. Current Identified sitting members were identified by **Larry B.** as himself and **Nadine F.**

**Alexis R., Steve C., Bob H.** voiced their wishes to provide service with the Committee. In the very recent past, Kay W., Fred G., Kathryn L., and several others have expressed their willingness to serve.

### 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. has 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

All in attendance were reminded 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. Committee 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. ANNUAL CALENDAR OF PUBLIC INFORMATION OUTREACH EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES for Calendar Year 2018

At the Meeting, the **PUBLIC INFORMATION OUTREACH EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES of the TAUC Calendar of Events** on the TAUC.WS website were reviewed, with **Hard Copies** of the Calendar distributed by the Secretary. All were reminded to **POST THEIR activities by contacting** the Web Mistress at [info@tauc.ws](mailto:info@tauc.ws). **(HAND OUT)**

**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**

**Updates** were provided on the upcoming activities of the Council

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

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

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

ALL TAUC Members were reminded of the importance and their responsibility 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.

The Committee will continue to Solicit participation and 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:**

Per the TAUC By-Laws, annually, the Chairperson is responsible at the July Meeting to assign the Committee Chairperson. **Larry B.** assigned **Nadine F.** as the **Corrections Committee Chairperson** for the current Year.

**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, and the Committee Chair.

**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.

The Corrections Committee Chairperson will address these and other issues with the participating members From Huron and Tuscola County, and meet with County and Law enforcement/Jail Personnel as appropriate.

### **E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

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

**Tina T. agreed to provide coverage for July, 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 07/2018)** 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.

### **3. COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON APPOINTMENTS FOR 2018**

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

- 1. Committee Chairperson - Discussion was held.** To be appointed by the Chairperson at the August 14, 2018 meeting.

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

- 1. Committee Chairperson – Discussion was held.** To be appointed by the Chairperson at the August 14, 2018 meeting.

#### **C. CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE**

- 1. Committee Chairperson – Larry B. Appointed Nadine F. as Chairperson of the Corrections Committee for the Period August, 2018 – July, 2019**

### **F. NEW BUSINESS:**

**DISCUSSION** was held at the June 12, 2018 meeting of the TAUC about whether our **District (24) Wished to HOST the CMIA 32 June, 2, 2019 Quarterly Meeting at Bay Shore Camp in Sebawaing, MI.** **By Consensus, at that meeting,** the TAUC agreed to **HOIST.** The Event will be the First Weekend in June, 2019.

Options were explored. It was the **Consensus** of the Group that a **Planning Group**, comprised of **Bob H., Paul W., Tuscola County DCM, and Arnie G., Huron County DCM, explore options and logistics, and Report Back to the Council at the August 14, 2018 of the TAUC** with their recommendations, including Discussions with Area 32 Staff, and arrangements for Hosting.

**Motion by Tim B., supported by Mark M.,** That the TAUC authorize the Planning Group to secure/reserve the Facility for those Dates, and Bring Back to the Council necessary Agreements and Terms for Councils Approval. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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

**1. NEW AL-ANON MEETING in EASTERN HURON COUNTY**

As anticipated last month, Al-Anon Family Groups has launched a New AL-Anon Group in Port Hope Michigan.

Tuesdays            4250 Lakeshore Dr/M-25  
7:00 pm                (Fire Hall) Port Hope, MI  
989.553.5279 989.912.5478

**NEW DETAILS COMING**

**2. Port Austin Area AA Annual Labor Day Picnic – 29<sup>th</sup> Annual – OPEN Event**

Monday                September 3, 2018  
Noon - ?                Bird Creek County Park  
Port Austin, MI  
989.513.4656, 989.768.0570, 248.977.6461

Flyers Distributed and posted

**3. Port Austin AA MEETINGS – Changes in Times and Locations**

**The 7:00 pm Monday and Friday Meetings**  
(Formerly held at the Old Air Force Base)  
**Have Relocated to the Port Austin Old Gymnasium Building**  
In the Heart of Port Austin, Right Next to the Farmer's Market  
(near the intersection of Arch and State Streets)

**Old Gymnasium Building**  
**8861 Arch St**  
**Port Austin, MI 48467**  
**Mondays and Fridays, 7:00 pm**  
*Park and Enter at the Southwest Corner of the Building*  
*Phone/Text: 248.977.6461 or 989.768.0570*

**Tuesday 12 and 12 Study Meeting – NOW 10:00 am**  
(Formerly held at the Old Air Force Base)  
**Has Changed Time and Relocated to:**

**St. Michael's Parish Center**  
**8661 Independence St.**  
**Port Austin, MI 48467**  
**Tuesdays, 10:00 am**  
*Phone/Text: 989.513.4656 or 989.768.0570*

Flyers Distributed and Posted

**Next Meeting:**            August 14, 2018  
6:00 pm, following the PI Meeting at 5:00 pm  
St. Francis Church Hall Pigeon

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve C.  
Secretary

