

**Thumb Area Unity Council
Meeting Minutes
February 14, 2017
6:00 pm**

The February, 2017 Business Meeting of the Thumb Area Unity Council was called to order by Chairperson Larry B. at 6:00 pm.

Roll Call:

Groups Represented/Representatives

Larry B. GSR/TAUC Chair	Cass City AA
Ron R. TAUC Alt Chair	Cakima AA
Kay W. MI Thumb Area AFG	Cakima Al-Anon
Marv C. GSR	Caro New Freedom AA
Steve C. GSR/TAUC Sec	Kinde Primary Purpose AA
Pat S.	Elkton AA
Pete S. Alt GSR	Elkton AA
Tim B. GSR	Pigeon AA
Peg H.	Port Austin Old Library AA
Paul W. alt GSR/DCM	Reese AA
John V. TAUC Treasurer	Sacred Heart Bad Axe AA
Fred G. GSR	Beaner's and Sebewaing
Arnie G. Alt GSR	Wisner

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

B. Minutes from the December 13, 2016 meeting of the Council were presented by Steve C. PLEASE NOTE: January meeting was postponed until February 14, 2017 Due to inclement Weather)

**MOTION by Fred G., Supported by Arnie G, to Approve the December 13 , 2016 minutes:
Motion Carried Unanimously.**

C. Treasurer's Report

John V. provided the period ending January, 2017 Treasurer's Report.

Beginning Balance:	1,371.69	
Monthly Revenues:	50.00	
		10.00 Caro New Freedom AA
		25.00 Clean Bean AA
		10.00 Reese AA
		5.00 ½ basket contributions December, 2016
Monthly Expenditures:	488.27	
		38.27 Bob H. (Assembly Hosting out of pocket expenses)
		250.00 Bay Shore Camp (Balance of Facility Use Charges Due)
		200.00 Paul W. (Assembly Hosting out of pocket expenses)
Ending Balance:	933.42	

MOTION to approve the Treasurer's report by Steve C, Supported by Fred G.. Motion Carried

D. Committee Reports:

DCM Committee:

Paul W, S. DCM, gave a report on upcoming activities. Paul distributed a flyer on the **65th Michigan State Convention in Mt. Pleasant, July 28th, 29th and 30th, 2017**, the **Upcoming 2017 March Roundup, Hosted by Area 33 "Supporting our Future", March 10-12, 2017 in Dearborn, MI**, the next **Upcoming CMIA 32 Area Assembly Meeting Sunday, April 2, 2017, Hosted by District 18, in Saginaw, MI.**, and the **Upcoming Mock Conference, 2017** to be held **Saturday March 25th in Mount Pleasant. Kindly SEE: Paul W.** for further details or information, or visit the Area 32 Website.

Paul W. further reported that **Ted Stroebel** from the Tawas Area was elected as the **new Delegate** representing our District. Paul will keep the Council apprised on this and other Regional Activities as they develop.

Corrections Committee:

Arnie G. reported that things are going well at the **Tuscola County Jail**. They are currently at their 10 participant max. The Meetings in the Jail in Tuscola County are held on Wednesdays from 6 to 7:00 pm.

John V. reported on Huron County. Jail is attendance still down, but consistent.

PI Committee:

Larry B. reported that the P. I. Committee will be meeting to discuss upcoming educational needs and priorities for 2017.

Discussion was held related to updating contact information. Specific discussions centered around **listings of AA and TAUC Contact Telephone Numbers and Hot Line information** in traditional media outlets, as well as the internet.

E. OLD BUSINESS:

1. TAUC District 24 AA Hotline

Plans to provide **coverage for the TAUC District 24 Hotline** were discussed. **Gary O.** is this month's Hot line contact answering the Line, which is now again fully functional. The Council acknowledged **Gary O's and Larry B's** contributions to getting the line functionally operational.

Going Forward, Assignments will be made at the Regular Monthly Business Meeting of the Council. The Council will be updated and further discussions held at the **March 14, Meeting.**

One time Communication Charges of **\$56.62 were incurred and authorized** to support the continued operation of 24/7 the Phone Line and Listing.

2. Hosting Area 32 Intra Area Meeting on December 4, 2016

The Council reviewed and discussed the event. It was reported that well over 100 people from across Area 32 attended. Many members from our District 10 AA groups participated and volunteered, and were key to helping make the event a success.

The Council acknowledged the dedication and involvement of many who contributed to the event's success, particularly members of the local planning team **Bob H., Paul W and Ruth.**

It was reported that the event came in on budget, and that **Bob H.** will compile a final review and summary for presentation at the next meeting, and to be filed away in the archives.

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. TAUC - UPCOMING ELECTIONS - 2017

Copies of the TAUC By Laws were Distributed by **Secretary Cormier**, as well as a **LISTING OF CURRENT Officers** and their respective **Terms of Service (Hand Out)**.

Current 2 Year Terms expiring in April, 2017 include the **TAUC Secretary** and the **TAUC Treasurer**.

The Council discussed the current By Laws and a wish to revisit their language, at a future date, to better ensure continuity of leadership and a smooth transition of responsibility, going forward. This will be topic for further discussion in the future, by the **TAUC By Laws Committee**.

Chairperson Larry B. will begin soliciting Nominations for the Secretary and Treasurer Positions, **and will convene a Nominating Committee**, in accordance with the TAUC By Laws, to review all Applicants and Nominees for these 2 Key Service Positions, **at the March, 14, 2017 Meeting** of the Council.

Secretary Steve C. will assure that Public Notice within District 24 will be posted on the **TAUC Website**.

Prior to the Elections in April, Secretary Steve C. will also develop a revised **List of all designated GSR's and Alt GSR's and other eligible voters** for the Election, per the TAUC Current By Laws. If he should pay you an annoying phone call, kindly help the guy out...lol!

All Members present concurred with having an Open and Transparent Process for this, and all round(s) of elections, placing a premium on inclusiveness in the Council's decision making processes. Full Participation is always encouraged.

The calendar of events year's were discussed, including **plans for revisiting the TAUC By Laws** to more accurately reflect current operational needs as well as future activities.

Next Meeting: March 14, 2017 6:00 pm St. Francis Church Pigeon

There being no further Business, the meeting closed at 6:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve C.
Secretary