

## Thumb Area Unity Council (District #24) Meeting Minutes

February 20, 2026

Chairperson Brian V opened meeting at 6:03 pm with the preamble and Serenity Prayer. Call to order and roll call taken. Nine groups present, headcount 12. Quorum met.

Agenda: Group unanimously accepted.

Kathy L read January Minutes. Correction will be made under Huron DCM's report, where "Area" 24 should read "District" 24.

Treasurer's Report: John V provided report. Previous January balance was \$4,345.01. Monies collected from groups plus ½ basket total \$100. Check written to DCM for mileage. New balance \$4,415.01.

PI Committee: Committee meets next month to further discuss ongoing campaigns and literature distribution; updates will be provided after that meeting. Provided new flyers with correct phone #. Suggested continued updating of meetings lists to ensure accurate information is available online.

### Executive Committee:

- Bylaws: Committee met regarding need for updates to Bylaws (last updated in 2018). Several changes proposed, including dropping verbiage that we follow AI-Anon policies in TAUC and removing AI-Anon from our meeting lists. With very limited AI-Anon presence at TAUC, we don't want to risk violating our own By-laws by not following proper AI-Anon policies and procedures. Changing verbiage of Bylaws would not mean we don't cooperate or coordinate with AI-Anon. We would continue to link to their web-site and meeting lists on our website.
- Election Processes: Discussed election process and changing existing verbiage so that chairperson, secretary, Tuscola DCM be elected on odd years, and vice chair, Treasurer and Huron DCM on even years. Brief discussion. Opposition noted that purpose of original bylaws verbiage was to group chair and vice chair together so that vice chair could experience and learn that role, then potentially move to chair at time of next election. Group agreed this is a good idea. Motion and approval of adding vice and chair together, and treasurer and secretary together.
- Committees: Currently, By-Laws honor an executive committee, public information committee, CPC committee, corrections committee and Bylaws committee. Proposal to combine CPC and PI, to include Bylaws committee with Executive Committee, and then separate Corrections into two – Tuscola and Huron – so that there will be two chairpersons. Lastly, suggestion made and approval received from group to add an "ad Hoc Committee for Special Events.
- Order of Business: Bylaws state Order of Business is to open with prayer, preamble and roll call. Suggestion made to add Agenda Approval, Approval of Minutes once they are read (with any necessary corrections), and approval of Treasury report. Also suggested we change "report by committees and officers" to "committee chairs". All present voted in favor of these changes.

- Budgets: Suggestion that TAUC have yearly approval of budgets to be coordinated during September meeting (budget to run from 10/01 – 9/30). Budget would include prudent reserve, expenses accounts for secretary, hotline, PI/CPC, DCM, PO Box, Grapevine and website. All in favor, no opposition.
- Brian will draft proposed changes and present at next month's meeting, providing copies for groups to bring back to their home groups. Final approval of new Bylaws will take place at April Meeting.

Website Committee: Website will post flyers provided by Tuscola DCM.

Tuscola DCM: Nathan provided several flyers, which will be posted to website. He also passed around flyers with two floor actions – one involves getting prudent reserve to a certain standard, the other that any decision to dip into prudent reserve requires presence of delegates. GSR are asked to bring floor actions to groups and bring consensus back to TAUC. Both proposals will be presented in New York this year. Also discussed ongoing request from GSO to help support Grapevine, easily done with a \$36 annual subscription.

Huron DCM: No report.

Huron Co Corrections: John reported no attendance at recent meetings, and noted need for better communication with inmates by jail staff. John stated he will ask Tim (Port Austin) to contact jail and help remedy this.

Tuscola Co Corrections: Sharon stated that status of meetings remains the same – at least 20 names are on the “wish to attend” list and 10 are allowed to attend at any given time.

Unfinished Business:

- Sharon offered to take first turn with new phone. Cost of new plan/phone# is \$35/month – unless group pays with debit card, in which case it will be \$30/month. Tim B is checking to see if our group can get a debit card. Cost for first month of phone is \$45.59, including activation fee, tax, fee and title. Phone itself has been donated. Group motioned to accept and this was approved. Welcome Wallets will be reprinted, along with business cards with new phone number.

New Business:

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Good and Welfare: Nathan has an acquaintance in rehab. John R is in hospice, in very good spirits. Continued prayers requested for Tina's mom, Steve and Steve's mom.

Meeting closed at 6:55 pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Adjournment. Next TAUC meeting March 10, 2026.

In Service,

Kathy L