

**District 26 Unity Council**  
**January 15, 2022**  
**Judson Baptist Prescott**

**ATTENDANCE:** Gale R E. Tawas, Mike R E. Tawas, Jerry S Alt GSRStandish Step of the Month, Elaine B DCM- Alger, Mark R Alt DCM Whittemore, Ted S Web Master Roscommon, Sandra TClare, Stan T GSR Clare, Jeremy W West Branch, David N Unity Council Chair Standish, Lisa N Alt Treasurer

Meeting opened at 10:03 by Dave N a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer

Statement of Purpose: read by Elaine B

Step 1: read by Mike R

Tradition 1: read by Stan T

Concept 1: read 11 by Mark R

**Minutes from November 20, 2021:** Read by Dave N, one typo, 26 corrected from 25, motion to approved as revised by Mark R, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ted S. Unanimously approved.

**Treasury Report:** Due to obvious omissions, motion by Jerry S to forego approval and review, corrected reports to be submitted at next meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stan T. Unanimously approved.

**Old Business:**

Ted S reported on the December CMIA Area 32 meeting. 40 in person, 15 on line attendance. District 26 was thanked for Hosting event. They were plenty of volunteers for set up and cleanup of the event. Past Delegate apologizes for berating observers of the Finance Committee, this was a misunderstanding. 8 DCM's present.

Support for hosting the August Elections Meeting of CMIA Area 32 on August 7, 2022 was unanimous among the attendees. Discussion revolved around what facilities to consider for the meeting. Dave N is going to contact the Arenac Community Center in Standish. Ted S is going to research West Branch options.

Jerry S reported that in light of the need for a “Sober Saturday” on August 6 for potential Area 32 attendees, the Friends of Bill Picnic Committee has agreed to move the 30+ year tradition to the Saturday date. We applaud the Committee on their willingness to change. Current delegate Don McL is slated to give the Open Talk. Details will follow.

**New Business:**

Motion by Mark R for \$30.00 rent to Judson Baptist for rent today. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike R. Unanimously approved.

Donuts (\$24.00) reimbursed to Elaine B.

Next Meeting: Jeremy offered the Fresh Start Club in West Branch. Questions about accessibility, bathrooms and parking were raised. Ted S offered the Houghton Lake Alano Club. Questions regarding meeting schedule conflicts were posed, answered and disposed.

Motion by Elaine B, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lisa N to hold February 19<sup>th</sup> meeting at the Houghton Lake Alano Club. Unanimously approved.

Mark R reminded the group that we have a Unity Council Picnic to award. This should be in conjunction with the June, July, or August District 26 business meeting. We are hoping this mention constitutes notice to the District 26 groups to apply. We would like to thank St. Helen for hosting the last three picnics, but feel that this event should change venue on an annual basis. Please contact District officers, or attend the next meeting, with offers for hosting the Picnic and Unity Council business meeting.

Dave N brought up the need to move Meeting Minutes from the Unapproved to Approved status. Discussion of pdf document formats and mechanisms to handle these changes resulted in better understanding. No need for a motion or change in procedure is deemed necessary at this time.

Ted Swould like to have a small group look into whether it is necessary to update/revise the Unity Council Bylaws.

Elaine B brought up a “Sponsorship Contract” she was referred to which appears on our website. After lively discussion, Webchair Ted S agreed that the document is not AA approved and will be coming off the site.

Mark R brought up two questionnaires that are found on the CMIA Area 32 website. One is a survey on Area meetings and how they are run, the other is a Group History form for Archives.

Lisa N reports that the Tradition 7 basket contained \$13.00 dollars.

**Web Report:** Ted S - people have suggestions and want to help, but no one has volunteered to take this over. Ted needs help with Google Docs for meeting locations. 30-40 visits/day, the majority of which are meeting time and location searches.

**Info Line:** Elaine B - 5 calls in November, 14 calls in December.

**Registrar Report:** Ted S got 4-5 changes at Area. Group change forms are available today. See Ted if you have changes or don't understand the forms.

**DCM and GSR Reports:**

Mark R – Whittemore, Prescott and Hale meetings are going well

Stan T - Clare meetings reportedly going well

Jerry S - Standish Step of the Month on Thursday nights holding steady at about 10 attendees

Ted S - Houghton Lake attendance is down, snowbirds flew the coop. Group Conscience occurring monthly. They are planning a 12<sup>th</sup> Step Workshop, details to follow.

Mike R - East Tawas – 4-20 people, going well

Gale R - nothing to report

Jeremy W - West Branch New Life Group – Holding a Group Conscience tomorrow. Treasurer is ill, GSR inactive, they are considering dropping Tuesday night meeting. Morning attendance around 10, evenings about 4.

Elaine B –attended a portion of the CMIA December meeting on Zoom. She expressed some changes she would like to see.

Motion to close by Jerry S, Elaine B 2<sup>nd</sup> – 11:20 a.m. Unanimous support for closing.

Closed with the Responsibility Statement

Minutes Typed and Submitted by Lisa and Dave N. These minutes have not yet been approved.  
(01/15/2022) (Approved by Unity Council Feb 19, 2022)