

Central Michigan Intra-Area 32 Assembly Minutes
AUGUST 5, 2018 – District 28, Houghton Lake, MI

2018 Schedule

October 7 – District 22 – Bay City Central High School, 1624 Columbus Ave., BC MI 48708
December 2 – District 4 -

CHAIR: Mark M.; chair@cmia32.org. Meeting called to order at 1:08 pm. Opened with Serenity prayer and reading of AA Preamble. Motion to accept Agenda for meeting, seconded and approved.
Chair acknowledges District 28 volunteers for hosting the meeting.

Committee Reports

SECRETARY: Stephanie G.; secretary@cmia32.org. Attendance = 60; 31 GSRs (4 new), 5 Alt GSRs, 29 Guests, and 5 Past Delegates: Dennis, Mike, Art, Jesse, Kirk

Motion to accept meeting minutes without corrections, seconded and approved.

TREASURER: Cynthia R.; Absent, treasurer@cmia32.org. Alternate Chair Tracy attended Finance committee meeting and read the Treasurer's report. Motion to accept Treasurer's report (attached), seconded and approved.
Tracy reminds the assembly how important it is to donate to Area at the group level. The treasury is very low.

FINANCE: Jon S.; finance@cmia32.org. John opened with the statement that District 26 did not accept any funds from Area to subsidize the luncheon. Area 32 treasury is very low, beginning balance is \$2,253.50. Motion to accept Finance Committee report (attached), seconded and approved. Area 32 is obligated to donate \$75 for the Statewide Corrections Workshop. Approved. Request of \$600 for Corrections – Approved. **Ending balance is \$5.05.**

Committee Reports (cont'd.)

REGISTRAR: Pete G.; registrar@cmia32.org Pete thanked the assembly for their cooperation in identifying over 200 bad addresses and are down to 0. He has also eliminated all unknown meetings from the meeting registry. Send changes to Pete directly in order that they be expedited. New York is understaffed.

Recognition of Past Delegates by Mark and meeting attendees. Thank you for continued service.

Announcements / Flyers (F) for events that Flyers were available for:

A picnic at Grass Lake was announced, A Labor Day picnic near Meijer in Essexville celebrating 1 year, The Friend of Bill W. Picnic near Sterling, 25th anniversary @ Oasis Lake, August 12th. CMIA in Bay City – Oct. 7th - Parking behind the building on 14th street. Steph announced raffle for 1st Edition Big Book in Saginaw on Labor Day.

Mark reminded people to send flyers to the CMIA webmaster Dan to have them posted on the Area 32 website.

DELEGATE: Ted S. (District 26), delegate@cmia32.org; Attached report.

ALT. DELEGATE: Lori C. (District 2), altdelegate@cmia32.org; Please see attached report.

Gen. Service Info Meeting on Oct. 7 in Bay City Volunteers are as follows to explain:

Concept 9: Margi B, Concept 10: Mark E., Tradition 9: Mark M., Tradition 10: Mark H.

UPDATE ON EAST REGIONAL CONFERENCE – Dennis S. – Past Delegate – Report Attached

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

LITERATURE: Don M., literature@cmia32.org. Please see attached report. A new person needs to step forward to take over the Literature responsibility at term's end. Don's term is ending in December, No Matter What!

ARCHIVIST: Jim D. (District 6); We are not a glum lot in AA. Jim had a display at the Tecumseh workshop and will be at the State Convention in collaboration with Areas 33 and 34 with a room dedicated to archives.

ARCHIVES COMMITTEE: Chips C., (District 2) chipscc@yahoo.com; Looking forward to State Conv.

CORRECTIONS: Mark H. (District 22); corrections@cmia32.org. *21 attendees, 8 Districts split the \$600.* Committee working on hosting the October Statewide Corrections Workshop for Area 32 in Dist. 18 October 27th in Pinconning. Jail Pails are money for literature in Prisons. Discussion of how to promote Jail Pail locally.

Discussion of encouraging home groups to donate their older Grapevines for Corrections. Please bring extras issues of GRAPEVINE to next CMIA32 in Bay City and they will be divided up by the Corrections committee.

COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY: John B., (District 6); cpc@cmia32.org; 6 Districts represented. Last Dec. an agenda item was submitted in NY. They formed a subcommittee who turned it back to the full committee to continue studying it. He will keep us updated. Participated in 2 Health Fairs.

PUBLIC INFORMATION: Tom R., (District 2); PSA's will be on WHFN until year end. Listener supported radio with approx. 9,800 members in Jackson, Branch, Hillsdale, Calhoun, and Eaton Counties. The parent company of the radio station has determined that funds are more readily available from opioid related recovery entities rather than AA, so they will focus on more drug PSA's. Jackson County is experiencing drug court requiring addicts to AA.

FORUM: Gary M. (absent) (District 10)

GRAPEVINE: Kamesha M., (District 12); Working on Grapevine skit for Statewide. Attended Sober fest and passed out materials. Keeping outreach displays stocked. Discussed nominations for Area Grapevine Chair.

ACCESSIBILITIES: Jim C. (absent): specialneeds@cmia32.org. *(No accessibilities written report submitted)*

LIAISON: *No report, vacant committee chair position.*

TREATMENT: Thomas (Lou) F., (District 18); Absent. No Report.

WEBSITE: Pete G., (District 2); 7 attendees.

It has been agreed that the current Website will be rewritten. GODADDY account is paid in advance a few years but the basic framework of the new website has been created. Next step is that the website committee will be looking at web developers and costs. Looking to get 3 distinct costs. Add a "young People" link to the website.

YPAA: Jen L.: Did not attend the area assembly last time. Jen attended Dennis's committee chair meeting and there was much useful discussion about developing a process for starting young people's meetings. Jen is actively compiling the list of Young People's meetings in MI to be added to the website.

Opening Rounds for Nominated Positions:

Mark M. reviews the process: The correct terminology is called "Standing for a Position". A nomination is sufficient. The individual either accepts or declines. There does not need to be a second.

Nominations were made, seconded and then accepted by the Nominees as follows:

DELEGATE: Lori C., ALT DELEGATE: Don M. and Mark M., CHAIR: Pete G., ALT. CHAIR: Randy K., Jon S., TREASURER: Kelly D., ALT TREASURER: TRACEY G., SECRETARY: Steph G., ALT SECRETARY: Jen L., REGISTRAR: Tracey G.

Second Round of Nominations for Elected Positions will be held on October 7 in Bay City.

Mark encourages people to have service resumes on hand so they can be read for the body if requested.

If there are multiple persons for the same position, all service resumes will be read and the person will step out of the room for hand counted voting.

OLD BUSINESS: None from floor.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) A motion was made by Jon S. regarding Officer Fuel Reimbursements that they be immediately reduced from the current rate to a rate of .20 cents per mile. The old rate was based on the delegate rate which includes wear and tear on the vehicle because of the high mileage the Delegate puts on his vehicle. The new rate would only be for fuel. Discussion about gas reimbursements for officers. This could be an area of reduction to save the treasury money. Jon said the Treasury paid out \$667 and at the new proposed rate that would have been \$330. The rate was set by the IRS at 41.5. The rate should stay. Jesse: The reimbursement is a STIPEND toward travel, not a straight reimbursement. There are other ways to raise money such as workshops, etc. Art M: People provide service at the District levels with no reimbursements at all. This is a fellowship providing service, and if it possible that this is a service related donation by the individual then that would be appreciated. Lori: When she originally started, it was .32 cents a mile. She proposes that the stipend be cut back to .32. Friendly Amendment. Mark asks if Jon accepts the friendly amendment. Jon does not accept the friendly amendment. **20 votes for the fuel reduction. 7 votes for the fuel rate to say the same.**

2). Dennis: We are hosting the 2020 National Convention. Recommends that we put in bids in for a hotel in December and form a committee. So moved!

Motion to close. Meeting Adjourned at 2:20 PM.