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February 26, 2026 | 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM The Fallen Shoppe, Oil City

1. The Vision: What is the Art Syndicate?

- **Moving from Lone Wolf to Collective:** Shifting away from isolated artistry and into a unified, professional pack. Consider it a union for artists to vet opportunities and support each other.
- **The Goal:** How we advocate for artists, increase local visibility, and build a sustainable creative economy in our area.
- **Inclusive Identity:** A home for painters, makers, writers, musicians, hobbyists, and all creative humans. This includes our partners and organizations that support creatives.

2. Oil City Arts Council - MAC Center Expo

- **The MAC Center Expo Vending Clarification:** Breaking down the "selling allowed" news and what that means for your ROI if you decide to do the event.
- We will open the floor to comments, concerns, or questions for The Oil City Arts Council. We will bring your voice to the next Oil City Arts Council Meeting (**March 2nd 5:30pm**)

3. Community Projects: Mural Fest 2026

- **Our Role:** How the Syndicate is helping shape the event.
- **Participation:** How local artists can get involved and get their work on a mural monolith.

4. Taking the Lead: Organizing Syndicate Events

- **Self-Reliance:** We are done waiting for invitations. Discussing plans to host our own artist-led shows and markets from now on.
- **Creative Unity:** Discussing the "roar" we make when we stand together.

5. Scheduling & Logistics

- **The Tuesday Proposal:** Acknowledging feedback regarding the current meeting time.
- **Consistency:** Discussing the move to **every fourth Tuesday of the month**.

6. Resources & Neighborly News

- **Erie Arts and Culture:** Introducing one of the most powerful and effective arts organizations we have experienced.
- **French Creek Arts Collective Mixer:** Promotion for the event this Saturday, February 28th, in Meadville. 122 Cussewago Square, Meadville

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7. Open Floor: General Brainstorming

- What are your biggest hurdles as an artist in this area?
- What resources do you wish you had access to?
- General "what if" dreams for the future of Art In Our Area?

Next Meeting: Proposed for Tuesday, March 24, 2026.

Notes & Action Items: