



Session #91

MEETING MINUTES

CLASSICAL EXAM of Candidate Cody Zuiderveen

Thursday, June 15, 2017

11:30 AM to 2:15 PM

Hillcrest Christian Reformed Church

3617 Hillcrest Road

Hudsonville, MI 49426

Officers of the Day:

Vice-President: Rev Gerry Koning

Clerk: Ms. Glenda Tamming-Tebben

I. Prior meeting activity

Article 1

Credentials: Each church in classis submitted its credentials before this meeting, so every delegate received a name tag upon arrival.

Article 2

Delegates in attendance:

CHURCH	PASTOR(S)	ELDER(S)	DEACON(S)
Alive Ministries	Terry Scholten		
Baldwin Street		Ralph Haan Carl Wiersum	

Bauer	Tim Holwerda	Dave Waldner	
Cottonwood	Matt Palsrok	Robert Lynema	Jared Schuitema
Evergreen Ministries			
Fairway	David DenHaan	Steve DeBruin	Ryan Hop
First Hudsonville		Steve Schnyders	
Forest Grove		Christopher Bouma	Randy Dozeman
Georgetown	Jack Dik		Greg Assink
Hillcrest	Brian Bosscher		
Immanuel	Bob Huisman	Joe Lems	
Jamestown	Dan Gritter		
Messiah		James Albers Terry Genzink	
Ridgewood		Raymond Dennis	Deb DeVries
Searchlight Ministries	Stan Drenth	Herb Kraker	
Trinity	Gerry Koning	Dan Postma	
Twelfth Avenue	Mark Bennink	David Holkeboer	Allen Broene
Zutphen		Wayne VandenHoek Ed Curths	

Other persons attending Classis:

Staff:

Mr. Jim Roskam

Ms. Kathy Jelsema

Ms. Glenda Tebben

Synodical Deputies:

Rev. Stan Scripps (Classis Holland)

Rev. Alex Snider (Classis Northern Michigan)

Rev. Hank Vlaardingebroek (Classis Grandville)

Candidate:

Mr. Cody Zuiderveen

Guests:

Mrs. Jessica Zuiderveen (Cody's wife)

Mr. Steve Zuiderveen (Cody's father)

Mrs. Brenda Zuiderveen (Cody's mother)

Mr. Grady Zuiderveen (Cody's twin brother)

Mr. Al Hofstra (Cody's grandfather)

Mrs. Bertha Hofstra (Cody's grandmother)

Mr. Cliff Doornbos (Cody's grandfather)

Mrs. Huddy Doornbos (Cody's grandmother)

Mrs. Nancy Horjus (Cody's mother-in-law)

Mr. Dave Horjus (Cody's father-in-law)

Mr. Joe Horjus (Cody's brother-in-law)

Mr. Lee Bakker (friend of Cody)

Mr. James Evenhouse (guest)

II. Welcome, Devotions, Food and Fellowship

Article 3

A. Opening, Vice-President Koning

1. Cody Zuiderveen, the delegates, Synodical Deputies and guests were welcomed to Hillcrest CRC.
2. Rev. Koning explained the logistics of the meeting. Lunch is served in the Fellowship Hall. Following lunch, the examination will convene in the sanctuary.
3. Rev. Koning offered prayer for the meal and for the meeting.

B. Food and Fellowship

A catered lunch was enjoyed by all.

III. Classical Exam

Article 4

A. Introduction of Candidate Cody Zuiderveen, Rev. Brian Bosscher

Rev. Bosscher introduces Cody. Cody is a child of Hillcrest CRC, where he was nurtured and disciplined in his faith. He received his undergraduate degree from GVSU, his M. Div from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, and his ThM in Systematic Theology at Calvin Seminary. He also completed the requirements of Ecclesiastical Program for Ministerial Candidacy at Calvin Seminary. Cody and his wife, Jessica, will serve as missionaries with CRWM in Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

Rev. Bosscher led a prayer for guidance of the Holy Spirit throughout the exam.

B. Proper procedure:

1. Rev. Tim Holwerda conducted the practical exam. **This was followed by a motion to proceed which was MSC.**
2. Rev. Brian Bosscher (in concurrence with Rev. Terry Genzink) reported favorably on the sermon that was preached on October 30, 2016, at Hillcrest CRC. **Motion was MSC to proceed. The Synodical Deputies concurred with this decision.**
3. Rev. David DenHaan presided over the theological exam. **Motion was made to accept Candidate Zuiderveen into the ministry of the Word and Sacraments in the Christian Reformed Church.**
4. Executive session is declared (visitors are excused).
5. The Synodical Deputies are excused to conduct their deliberations.
6. Motion is to be voted on by paper ballot. After a brief discussion, ballots are counted, **Motion was seconded and carried to accept Candidate Cody Zuiderveen into the ministry of the Word and Sacraments in the Christian Reformed Church. The Synodical Deputies gave their concurrence to classis' decision.**

C. Executive session ends:

All who left the room are called back.

IV. Closing Moments

Article 5

A. Results announced

Candidate Zuiderveen is congratulated and welcomed into the ministry.

B. Prayer

The delegates and visitors come forward for laying on of hands and prayer, led by Rev. Gerry Koning.

C. Song of Praise

All join to sing, *"One Generation Will Call to the Next"*

D. Congratulations

Delegates and visitors congratulate Cody

E. Ordination service

This service is planned for Sunday, June 18, 2017, at Hillcrest CRC.

F. Meeting is adjourned at 2:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenda Tamming-Tebben

Stated Clerk, Classis Georgetown