

**CLASSIS GEORGETOWN VISION TEAM**  
**Minutes of June 4, 2020 12:00 PM to 1:30 PM**

*Transforming Lives and Communities*

**Meeting location: Outdoor Patio of Vitales'**

**7-1** Matthew Slack opened in prayer.

**7-2** Vision Team (VT):

Roll Call, PRESENT:

**MEMBERS:** Rev. Susan LaClear, Rev. Nate Meldrim, Rev. Marc Nelesen,  
Rev. Matthew Slack

**MEMBER (absent with notice):** Rev. Len Kuyvenhoven

**STAFF:** Mr. Jim Roskam (Classis Coordinator), Ms. Glenda Tebben (Stated Clerk),  
Mr. Mel Vander Bie (Treasurer)

**STAFF (absent with notice):** Ms. Kathy Jelsema (Assistant Treasurer)

**7-3 Financial Report**

- A. Grants have been paid.
- B. Money continues to come in on a regular basis. Churches are faithful, for which we are grateful.

**7-4 Stated Clerk's Report:**

- A. Fall Classis meeting:
  - It is scheduled for October 8. Due to restrictions at GVSU we will not hold our meeting there. We hope this can be an in-person meeting. Glenda will contact Immanuel CRC to determine if they are willing to host.
  - Susan will continue to communicate with Scott Stark (GVSU Ministries) about the possibility of a prayer conference. The could be held at a different time than a scheduled Classis Meeting.
- B. Grant proposals have been received and were distributed to Value Stewards. There were some questions from 70x7 Ministries. Thanks to Jim Roskam for addressing them.
- C. Glenda met with Carla Bieber (Great Lakes Regional Network Connector for the Connections Project). They will work together to build a network of classical ministry representatives. Carla also met with Jim and Marc Nelesen regarding our classis.
- D. Our annual calendar notes that staff interviews take place in the summer months. This year we will pass on this, but if staff members request an interview, it will take place.
- E. Upcoming meeting dates for the Vision Team and Classis will be discussed and finalized at our August retreat.

**7-5 Ministry Shares Reimagined/Pledge System**

Jim, our Council of Delegates representative, reported that the new pledge system was passed at the COD meeting in June. Discussion of how to implement this will be on the agenda for our October Classis meeting.

**7-6 Council of Delegates Report**

Jim summarized several decisions that were made at the recent COD meeting.

**7-7 Regional Pastors Report**

- A. Marc Nelesen will serve as counselor for Evergreen Ministries.
- B. Motion is made and supported for Rev. Dave Jolman to be on paid leave as a Regional Pastor through January 1, 2021. Motion is carried. Nate Meldrim will communicate this to Dave.
- C. Len Kuyvenhoven has asked to take a pause from his work as a member of the Vision Team.

**7-8 August 17 Retreat at Georgetown CRC**

Agenda items include:

1. Review grant applications
2. Plan future classis meetings
3. Discuss how to implement Ministry Shares Reimagined
4. Future project ideas for our Classis
5. Preliminary Budget (Glenda will email grant requests to Mel)

**7-9 Time to Connect about ourselves and our churches**

- A. Mel attended a ZOOM meeting with other Classis treasurers. He is thankful for the proactive work in our Classis.
- B. Prayers continue for our pastors and our churches as in-person worship resumes.

**7-10** Marc Nelesen closed our meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

*Glenda Tebben*

Stated Clerk, Classis Georgetown

**PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING MEETING DATES**

**Vision Team:**

- **Monday, August 17 – Classis Retreat – Georgetown CRC**  
Time: 9 AM – 2 PM

**Classis Meetings:**

- **Thursday, October 8, 2020 – location to be determined**