

CLASSIS GEORGETOWN VISION TEAM

Minutes of October 7, 2021 ~ 12:00 PM to 12:55 PM

Transforming Lives and Communities

Georgetown CRC - 6475 40th Ave, Hudsonville, MI 49426

10-1 Jim Roskam opened our meeting with prayer.

10-2 Vision Team (VT):

Roll Call:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rev. Cindy Holtrop, Rev. Sam Krikke, Rev. Nate Meldrim,
Rev. Marc Nelesen, Rev. Matthew Slack

STAFF PRESENT: Ms. Kathy Jelsema (Ass't Treasurer), Mr. Jim Roskam (Classis Coordinator),
Ms. Glenda Tebben (Stated Clerk), Mr. Mel Vander Bie (Treasurer)

10-3 Additional Agenda Item

A. Cover letter to go along with recommendation; re: religious exemptions.

10-4 Review of Minutes of the September 16, 2021 meeting

A. Motion is MSC to approve minutes of September 16.

10-5 Financial Report

- A. Things continue to look good and we are grateful that churches are giving.
- B. Mel reports that the audit has been completed by Kaptein, Dykstra & Company, PC.
- C. An email will be sent to all churches asking for churches to report ministry share pledges (for the denomination) and member count (for the Classis). Mel will also have hard copies available at the Classis meeting.

10-6 Stated Clerk's Report:

- A. Motion is MSC to approve Rev. Matthew Slack as the mentor of Rev. Nate Meldrim.
- B. Motion is MSC to approve the final endorsements for the Article 8 completion of Rev. Nate Meldrim.
- C. Motion is MSC to transfer the ministerial credentials of Rev. Larry Doornbos from Evergreen Ministries in Hudsonville, MI to Pillar Church in Holland, MI (Classis Holland)
- D. Motion is MSC to have Rev. Gerry Koning serve as the mentor for Bryzon Masiboh.
- E. Trinity CRC has decided to change their name to The Refuge. Rev. Gerry Koning will be given a short time at the Classis meeting to introduce this change.
- F. The Spring Classis Meeting will be held on May 19, 2022.

10-7 Classical Counselors Packet

A. Tabled until our next meeting

10-8 October 28 Classis Meeting

- A. Agenda is reviewed:
 - i. Matthew Slack has agreed to serve as Chairperson; Nate Meldrim will serve as Vice-Chair. Matthew, Nate, and Glenda will meet prior to the meeting to go through the agenda.
 - ii. Jeanne Kallemeyn, our new COD representative will share a report on the latest COD meeting. She will also present a video from the denomination featuring Colin Watson.

- iii. Bryzon Masiboh is a Resonate missionary. John Mondj, a representative of Resonate and the former mentor of Bryson, would like to say just a few things about Bryson and Strong Tower Ministry at the Classis meeting. Rev. Gerry Koning will introduce Bryzon and then John will share a few words concerning Bryson's relationship with Resonate.
- iv. Nate Meldrim will complete an information/learning packet that will be sent to the churches prior to the meeting.

10-9 Religious Exemption Communication

- A. Nate Meldrim wrote a cover letter to go along with the communication that was sent to the churches on September 2. Motion is MSC to approve the cover letter.
- B. The letter and the communication will be sent to the churches, in care of the Clerk of Council; via USPS.

10-10 Regional Pastors

- A. Marc Nelesen and Dave Jolman will meet in early November to talk about classical initiatives.
- B. Marc reports on the relationship our Classis has with Pine Rest. From our Classis, there has been 19 utilizations of this ministry this past year.

10-11 Connect about ourselves and our churches

- A. Cindy asks about connecting with grant recipients under the "Ricky Compassion" value. Glenda will introduce her to Art Opperwal of Georgetown Harmony Homes at the Classis Meeting.

10-12 Mel VanderBie closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenda Tebben

Stated Clerk, Classis Georgetown

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING MEETING DATES

Vision Team (meeting at Georgetown CRC):

- **Thursday, November 18 at 12 NOON**
Matthew opening; Jim closing
- **Thursday, December 16 at 12 NOON**
Sam opening; Glenda closing

Classis Meetings:

- **October 28, 2021 – Messiah CRC in Hudsonville**
- **February 24, 2022; overtures for Synod 2022 are due by Monday, January 31**
- **May 19, 2022**