

CLASSIS GEORGETOWN VISION TEAM

Minutes of October 13, 2022 ~ 12:00 PM to 1:20 PM

Transforming Lives and Communities

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

10-1 Nate Meldrim shares a devotion about *discord* and the hope of living in a spirit of unity as Christians and churches. Nate opens our meeting with prayer.

10-2 Vision Team (VT):

Roll Call:

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

MEMBERS ABSENT with notice: Rev. Gerry Koning

MEMBERS ABSENT without notice: Rev. Cindy Holtrop

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 Review of Minutes of the September 22 meeting

A. Motion is MSC to approve minutes of our September 22 meeting.

10-4 Financial Report

A. Financial statement received. Mel reports that things are going well. We continue to be thankful for money that is coming in.

B. Financial information request for 2023 has been sent to churches.

C. An insurance liability form is needed by Camp Geneva for the pastor's retreat. Mel is following up with the denomination.

10-5 Stated Clerk's Report

A. The Stated Clerk's report is reviewed.

A. Joe Gruppen from Fairway CRC is considering becoming a commissioned pastor. The clerk will forward the "Classis as Classroom" document to Joe.

B. Request for members on Vision Team: We received one inquiry in response to the email that was sent to pastors asking for names of persons who would be capable/willing to serve as a member of the Classis Vision Team. This person chose to be involved in another ministry at his church.

C. The Student Fund Committee will also serve as the CMLT.

B. Classis Meeting dates are set for 2023: February 16, May 11, October 26.

10-6 Review of agenda for October 27 Classis Meeting

A. Agenda is reviewed and will be sent the week of October 17

B. Jim has prepared and will present the Vision Team report.

C. Dave DenHaan will lead the discussion on the CRCNA Code of Conduct.

D. Jeff Bolt will join us for the dinner hour to review Ministry Shares.

E. Nate, Matt, Jim and Glenda will have a pre-meeting meeting on Wednesday, October 26

10-7 Mentors for New Pastors

A. Mark Elffers: Matt Palsrok has agreed to serve in this capacity.

B. Noelle Jacobs: Cody Zuiderveen would be a good mentor for Noelle. The clerk will check with Noelle about this to seek her agreement. This would then be referred to the regional pastors.

10-8 Special projects

- A. Team members are encouraged to continue thinking of ideas to suggest ideas for a special classis project.

10-9 Safe Church Coordinator

- A. The clerk reached out to the denomination for suggested names of replacements for Julianna Clink. Glenda will meet with Julianna to review names of those who coordinate safe church practices in the churches of our classes. Perhaps one of them would be willing to serve as coordinator.

10-10 Disability Concerns Coordinator

- A. Names are suggested to take on this position. The clerk will follow-up.

10-11 Alive in Grandville

- A. Mel updated on the situation with the church members and the building.

10-12 Regional Pastors

- A. Marc reported on the work of the regional pastors.
B. A pastor's retreat will be held at Camp Geneva on November 16.

10-13 Connect about ourselves and our churches

- A. City on a Hill (one of our grant recipients) is visiting Jamestown this Sunday.
B. Jim lost a brother in September and this was a difficult time for the family. They are thankful for Marc's ministry to them.
C. We continue to think of and pray for Cindy.

10-16 Jim Roskam leads in a closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenda Tebben

Stated Clerk, Classis Georgetown

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING MEETING DATES

Vision Team (meeting at Georgetown CRC):

- **Thursday, November 10 at 12 NOON**
Cindy opening; Jim closing
- **Thursday, December 8 at 12 NOON**
Sam opening; Kathy closing

Classis Meetings:

- **October 27 – Alive Ministries (registration at 3:45 PM)**

Classis Meetings 2023:

- **February 16**
- **May 11**
- **October 26**