

# CLASSIS GEORGETOWN VISION TEAM

Minutes of March 14, 2024

## Transforming Lives and Communities

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

**3-1** Rev. Sam Krikke opens our meeting with prayer.

**3-2** Vision Team (VT):

Roll Call:

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rev. Cindy Holtrop, Rev. Gerry Koning, Rev. Sam Krikke,  
Rev. Nate Meldrim, Rev. Marc Nelesen, Rev. Jeffery Scripps

**MEMBER** (Absent with notice): Rev. Cody Zuiderveen

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

**3-3** Review of meeting agenda

**3-4** Review of Minutes of the February 8 minutes

A. Motion is MSC to approve February 8 minutes.

**3-5** Financial Report

A. The financial report, dated March 11, is received and reviewed. We are thankful for the faithfulness of our churches and our God.

B. Mel is thanked for his work.

**3-6** Stated Clerk's Report

A. The Stated Clerk's report is reviewed.

B. Motion is MSC for Rev. Jeffery Scripps to serve as the counselor for Bauer CRC as they search for a second pastor.

C. Meeting dates for future Vision Team meetings: May 16, June 27, July 25

D. Motion is MSC to approve the Stated Clerk's report.

**3-7** Review of February 29 Classis Meeting

A. Time is spent reviewing the meeting.

B. Beginning in the fall of 2024, Rev. Nate Meldrim will convene a classis-wide group to discuss Church Order articles 29 and 45 and talk about delegations to Classis or Synod – are they representative or deliberate bodies?

C. A formal credentials committee will be established to ensure that credentials are used correctly.

**3-8** Review of Vision Team Handbook

A. The handbook will be shared as a Google doc and each Vision Team member/staff person is asked to update the section(s) pertaining to their value and/or work.

B. Each year, at the August retreat, the Vision Team will review the handbook and update as needed.

C. The role of the Classis Coordinator will be discussed at the April Vision Team meeting.

**3-9 May 9 Classis Meeting**

- A. Value: Empowering Worship (Rev. Nate Meldrim is the value steward)
- B. Messiah CRC will host.
- C. Chair: Sam Krikke; Vice-Chair: Jeff Scripps
- D. A business meeting will be followed by dinner for delegates.
- E. Business items include: CMLT report, ministry updates, representative updates, Dr. Marc Nelesen's credentials
- F. A Classis-wide Ascension Day service will begin at 7 PM. The clerk will send an invitation to the churches.

**2-10 Regional Pastors Report**

- A. Rev. Dave Jolman has tendered his resignation as Regional Pastor effective March 31, 2024. A communication will be sent to the pastors of our classis informing them of this. We will ask for suggestions for whom the Vision Team can consider serving as a co-Regional Pastor.
- B. A pastor's lunch is scheduled for March 20. This will serve as a welcome for Rev. Chris Bouma and a thank-you to Rev. Dave Jolman for his service as a Regional Pastor.

**2-11 Connect about ourselves and our churches**

Time is spent sharing thanksgivings and concerns in our lives and our churches.

**2-12** Rev. Cody Zuiderveen will serve as chair at our April 18 Vision Team meeting.

**2-13** Motion is MSC to adjourn the meeting.

**2-14** Kathy Jelsema 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, April 18  
**Cody chair; Gerry opening; Mel closing**
- Thursday, May 16  
**Jeff chair; Cody opening; Marc closing**
- Thursday, June 27  
**Nate chair; Jeff opening; Cindy closing**
- Thursday, July 25  
**Gerry chair; Marc opening; Sam closing**

**Classis Meetings 2024:**

- **Thursday, May 9 (Ascension Day); Messiah CRC  
Chair: Sam Krikke; Vice-Chair: Jeffery Scripps**
- **Thursday, October 10 – The Refuge is willing to host**