

CLASSIS GEORGETOWN VISION TEAM

Minutes of May 16, 2024

Transforming Lives and Communities

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

5-1 Glenda Tebben opens our meeting with prayer.

5-2 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. Glenda Tebben (Stated Clerk), Mr. Mel Vander Bie (Treasurer)

STAFF ABSENT (with notice): Ms. Kathy Jelsema (Ass't Treasurer)

5-3 Review of meeting agenda

5-4 Review of Minutes of the April 18 minutes

A. Motion is MSC to approve April 18 minutes.

5-5 Financial Report

A. The financial report, dated May 13, is received and reviewed.

B. We are meeting expenses along with other financial needs. Expenses are in line with what was projected.

C. Mel is thanked for his work.

5-6 Stated Clerk's Report

A. The Stated Clerk's report is reviewed.

B. Glenda has connected with Rev. Len Kuyvenhoven regarding his ministerial credentials. Len will decide by September how he would like to proceed.

C. Question is raised about the date of Marc's credentials. Glenda will check with Rev. Kathy Smith about what date should be used.

D. Due to GATHER being held October 7-9 in Boston, our Classis meeting will be moved to October 17 (from October 10).

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

5-7 Review of May 9 Classis Meeting

A. The CMLT will discuss support for Juliana Clink. The motion for support was postponed so information can be collected. This will be included on the agenda of a future Classis meeting.

B. The offering received at the Ascension Day Worship service will be sent directly to Resonate (in support of Matthew Slack).

5-8 Continued Review of Vision Team Handbook

A. Each Vision Team member/staff person is asked to continue to update the section(s) about their value and/or work.

- B. A few items of note:
- Rotation of chairpersons at Classis meetings: The Church Order states that ordinarily the chair will serve on a rotating basis each meeting. Our handbook states that we will have one chair for each calendar year as this provides for more consistency in how meetings are run.
 - Church Visitors/10:24: Sam will work on this section and perhaps be creative in combining the two.
- C. It would be good to send a draft to pastors after the August retreat stating that this is what we are recommending and highlighting potential hotspots, thus receiving feedback prior to presenting a completed document.
- D. Gerry and Glenda will get together to come up with one unified document before our July Vision Team meeting.

5-9 Regional Pastors Report

- A. Rev. Stan Drenth will hopefully begin his work as a regional pastor on July 1. Marc will be meeting with him soon.
- B. Marc is exploring idea of what would it mean to encourage pastors to take CPE (ongoing education) and if classis would subsidize it
- C. Marc is thanked for serving as our regional pastor.

5-10 Connect about ourselves and our churches

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

5-11 Rev. Nate Meldrim will serve as chair at our June 27 Vision Team meeting.

5-13 Motion is MSC to adjourn the meeting.

5-14 Mel VanderBie 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, June 27**
Nate chair; Jeff opening; Sam closing
- **Thursday, July 25**
Gerry chair; Marc opening; Cindy closing

Classis Meetings 2024:

- **Thursday, October 17 – The Refuge**