

CLASSIS GEORGETOWN VISION TEAM

Minutes of June 27, 2024

Transforming Lives and Communities

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

6-1 **Rev. Jeffery Scripps** opens with reading and reflecting on Romans 15:28-29. Jeff opens the meeting with prayer.

6-2 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,
Rev. Cody Zuiderveen

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

6-3 Review of meeting agenda

6-4 Review of Minutes of the May 16 minutes

A. Motion is MSC to approve May 16 minutes.

6-5 Financial Report

- A. The financial report, dated June 24, is received and reviewed.
- B. Mel will have a preliminary 2025 budget ready for the August retreat.
- C. We give thanks that money is coming in; we are financially stable.
- D. Mel is thanked for his work.

6-6 Stated Clerk's Report

- A. The Stated Clerk's report is reviewed.
- B. A letter is received from The Refuge: Rev. Gerry Koning will be retiring in the next year they would like to have a succeeding pastor in place prior to his retirement. The Council of The Refuge has asked that Rev. Marc Nelesen be assigned as their counselor. **Motion is MSC to appoint Rev. Marc Nelesen as the counselor for The Refuge.**
- C. Gather Event: a list of names of persons who could represent us have been sent to the Gather committee at the denomination headquarters.
- D. World Renew representative: Jim Roskam has resigned. We will wait to hear from World Renew regarding a replacement.
- E. Upcoming Meeting dates:
 - Thursday, August 28 at 11 AM (retreat)
 - Thursday, September 26
- F. Motion is MSC to approve the Stated Clerk's report.

6-7 October 17 Classis Meeting

- A. We will meet at The Refuge; Theme: Daring Hospitality
- B. Besides the regular business of Classis, we will explore the theme of Daring Hospitality: *We welcome the stranger in ways that transform lives and communities*

- 6-8 Continued Review of Vision Team Handbook**
A. Gerry and Glenda present a unified document for review.
B. Glenda will share the updated document on google docs. VT members and staff are asked to review sections that pertain to their work on the Vision Team.
- 6-9 CMLT Report**
A. An email has been sent to Juliana Clink asking for an update on her relationship with Alive Ministries. The committee will decide how to proceed when she replies.
- 6-10 Regional Pastors Report**
A. Clergy Health and Flourishing Initiative: Jeffery Scripps and Marc Nelesen are working on this together; how to encourage pastors in their physical health and professional development.
B. Marc is thanked for serving as our regional pastor.
- 6-10 Connect about ourselves and our churches**
A. This is Cindy Holtrop's last meeting as a member of the Vision Team. We give thanks for the gifts she has shared with us and our classis.
B. Time is spent sharing thanksgivings and concerns in our lives and our churches.
- 6-11** The July 25 meeting is canceled. Any matters that need attention will be handled via email. We will meet again on Thursday, August 28, at 11 AM for our annual retreat.
- 6-12** Motion is MSC to adjourn the meeting.
- 6-13** Rev. Sam Krikke 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):

- **August retreat – Wednesday, August 28 from 11 AM – 3 PM**
Gerry chair; Marc opening; Glenda closing
- **Thursday, September 26 – noon**

Classis Meetings 2024:

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