

Wycliffe Presbytery 2011

Schedule

Wednesday, October 5, 2011 *(Times are approximate and may be adjusted)*

7:30 am to 8:30 am	Breakfast at the hotel –
8:30 am to 10:00 am	Convene at assigned location Stated agenda: <i>Presiding Ministers' Reports</i> <i>Election of Presiding Minister Pro-tempore</i> <i>Church Reports</i>
10:00 am to 10:30 am	Break
10:30 am to 12:00 pm	<i>Church Reports (continued if necessary)</i> <i>Review of Confidentiality Proposal to Council</i> <i>Evaluate proposals from other presbyteries to advise delegates to Council</i> Anselm <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Concerning ministerial lists: To insert a new paragraph 4 in Article XII of the CREC Book of Procedures as follows: 4. Upon receipt of a written request from the session of a CREC member church, the Minister shall add to the list of recognized ordained men a lawfully ordained minister who is a member of that local church, but who is not currently installed as an officer in that church. Such action by the Minister shall be subject to ratification at the next stated meeting of the presbytery.• Concerning Memorial "A" To eliminate the Memorial on Incorporation from the Constitution of the CREC.• Concerning minimum Presbytery size: To change the minimum required number of churches to form a presbytery from two to three. Constitution Art. VI.A.1
12:00 pm to 1:30 pm	Lunch
1:30pm to 3:00pm	<i>Continue evaluation of presbytery proposals and overtures</i> Athanasius

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerning the name of the CRE: <i>That the name, Confederation of Reformed Evangelical Churches, be changed to Communion of Reformed Evangelical Churches.</i> • Concerning Stated Meetings of Presbytery: <i>To amend the first sentence of Article V.1 of the CREC Constitution to read: The presbytery will have a at least one stated annual meeting.</i> • Request for discussion of the question: <i>Is it permissible (or wise) for CREC churches from one Presbytery to sponsor a church within the geographical confines of another Presbytery?</i> <p>Augustine</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerning qualification of churches for full membership in the CRE: <i>To amend the CREC Book of Procedures, Article IV.3.c.iii, as follows: The mission church shall have at least two three member pastors/elders, not including pastors/elders of the mother church who have been assigned to serve pro tempore on the mission church’s session.</i> • Concerning Ministers of Presbytery and Council: <i>To amend the first sentence of Article IV.C.9.a) of the CREC Constitution as follows: First, between meetings of the broader assembly, the minister represents is recognized as the embodiment of the broader assembly and acts by initiating and taking prudent steps in furtherance of an action, which he must report to the broader assembly for ratification.</i> • Concerning notification of Presiding Ministers: <i>To insert a new Article IX into the CREC Book of Procedures, to read:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>The session of elders of each church shall seek the counsel of the Minister of Presbytery under the following circumstances:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>Before formally admonishing a minister or elder (formal admonishment consists of an act of the session, entered in the minutes and delivered to the minister or elder verbally or in writing).</i> b. <i>Before dismissing a Pastor or elder or calling for his resignation.</i> c. <i>Before excommunicating any member of the church.</i> d. <i>If there is reason to believe that a crisis is developing in the church.</i> 2. <i>Ministers of Presbytery shall report to the Minister of Council the same information. Renummer all following sections accordingly.</i>
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Break
3:30pm – 5:00pm	<i>Continue evaluation of presbytery proposals and overtures</i> Tyndale

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Concerning pastor compensation: <i>To insert two new paragraphs into Article XI.1 of the CREC Book of Procedure, as follows:</i><ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>e. ordination exam committees shall inquire of local elder boards (session, consistories) as to the adequacy of the teaching elder candidates' compensation package (salary, housing, insurance, etc.);</i><i>f. presbyteries shall regularly remind local churches of their duties to teaching elders in matters of compensation.</i>
5:00 pm	Adjorn

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No major interactions from within the presbytery over the past year. I had one contact from an individual wishing to start a mission church in Alvin, TX. We are continuing discussions. Our Presiding Minister Pro Tempore, Bill Izard, resigned in June. The Presiding Minister of Council has requested support from each of our churches in the amount of \$360.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Franklin', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Gene Franklin
Presiding Minister