Communion of Reformed Evangelical Churches Minutes of Presbytery, September 28, 2012 Meeting at Pella, Iowa

Presiding Minister: the Rev. Burke Shade, Minister of Presbytery

Secretary: Mr. Rob Davis

Friday, September 28, 2012

9:15 a.m.: Pastor Brian Nolder of Christ the Redeemer, the host church for the Presbytery meeting, welcomed the Presbyters on behalf of Christ the Redeemer.

9:18 a.m.: The assembly joined in singing Psalm 1, led by Pastor Brian Nolder (and all subsequent singing)

9:20 a.m.: Mr. Brian Nolder opened the meeting with prayer.

9:21 a.m.: The Presiding Minster delivered an exhortation to the assembly from 1 Cor 10:1-4, 14-22, Concerning the personal fellowship with God Himself that we enjoy in the sacraments.

9:46 a.m.: The meeting was called to order by the Presiding Minister.

9:43 a.m.: The Presiding Minster called the roll of member churches

The following member churches of Tyndale Presbytery were represented with delegates:

Christ Church of Livingston County, Howell, MI (1)

Pastor Dirk DeWinkle

Christ Church Twin Cities, Minnetonka, MN (2)

Pastor Jeff Evans

Elder Arnie Abens

Christ Covenant Church of Chicago, IL (2)

Elder Leo Kou

Elder Dave Rapp

Christ the King Church, New Era, MI (2)

Pastor Jeff Swanson

Elder Bill Hendrian

Christ the King Church, Springfield, MO (2)

Pastor Eric Sauder

Elder Rob Davis

Christ the Redeemer, Pella, IA (2)

Pastor Brian Nolder

Elder Scott Bailey

Cornerstone Reformed Church, Carbondale, IL (1)

Pastor Burke Shade

Providence Church, Caro, MI (1)

Pastor Gabe Wetmore

Trinity Evangelical Church, Larwill, IN (1)

Pastor Tim Bushong

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No delegates were present from the following member churches.

Reformed Presbyterian Church, Tyumen, Russia Trinity Covenant Church, Wichita, KS

A quorum was established.

9:48 a.m.: The Presiding Minister asked for amendments to the agenda for the meeting.

An item was added as V.B.iv under new business to determine who will attend the mid-council meeting.

An item was added as V.C.i to discuss ideas concerning a workshop or seminar prior to the 2013 Presbytery.

The agenda was established by common consent.

9:52 a.m.: Member church reports were presented.

12:19 p.m.: The meeting recessed for lunch.

1:29 p.m.: The meeting resumed with the singing of Psalm 111.

1:33 p.m.: The remaining church reports were presented.

2:09 p.m.: Mr. Nolder made a motion to seat Jeff Harlow as a corresponding member to Presbytery. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bushong and passed.

2:11 p.m.: Introduction of Guests

Mr. Nolder introduced Pastor Aaron Gonzalez of The Christian Reformed Church of Newton, IA

Mr. Sauder introduced Eugene Clingman from Mountain View, MO.

Mr. Kou introduced Jonathon & Alison Sedlak, Jun Shiomitsu, Christoper Kou, Timothy & Lydia Kou, and Matthew Kou from Christ Covenant Church of Chicago.

2:19 p.m.: There were no new mission or candidate churches to consider.

2:20 p.m.: The Presiding Minster gave the annual report as Minister of the Presbytery.

2:27 p.m.: Mr. Harlow gave a report on the Slavic Reformation Society.

3:02 p.m.: There was no old business.

3:03 p.m.: New business

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3:04 p.m.: The Presiding Minister asked for nominations for new delegates to Council.

Mr. Hendrian nominated Mr. Evans and Mr. Shade.

Mr. Wetmore nominated Mr. Nolder.

Mr. Shade will be a delegate as Presiding Minister of Presbytery.

A vote was held to determine delegate and alternate between Mr. Evans and Mr. Nolder with the largest number of votes designating the delegate.

The vote was Mr. Evans 6 and Mr. Nolder 4. Mr. Evans is the second delelgate to Council and Mr. Nolder is the alternate.

- 3:18 p.m.: Discussion of council agenda items for delegates
- 3:19 p.m.: Various members of the assembly encouraged care on selecting a new logo for the CREC so that it would be well done and it would be of high quality.
- 3:23 p.m.: Mr. Shade encouraged all delegates to read the new ordination procedures to be familiar with changes.
- 3:24 p.m.: Mr. Nolder proposed having a standing committee for missions. This was dismissed because it is out of order as per constitution, IV.4.
- 3:42 p.m.: Mr. Nolder moved to petition Council to change the constitution to read, "the Council may form no standing committees or boards".Mr. Wetmore seconded.
- 4:00 p.m.: Mr. Bailey called the question which was seconded by Mr. Evans. The call for the question passed 11 to 0.
- 4:02 p.m.: The motion failed by a vote of 4 for and 7 opposed.
- 4:11 p.m.: The Presiding Minister asked to continue past the scheduled time to take care of the remaining items in the agenda. This was approved by common consent.
- 4:12 p.m.: In response to a request from the Minister of Council Mr. Abens and Mr. Harlan were nominated to attend the mid council meeting in Houston on April 8-11, 2013. Their nomination was approved by common consent.
- 4:15 p.m.: Mr. Swanson volunteered Christ the King, New Era, MI to host Presbytery in 2013. This was approved by common consent.
- 4:17 p.m.: Mr. Evans moved that the next annual Presbytery meeting be held on Tuesday, October 1, 2013. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bushong and carried.

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4:19 p.m.: Mr. Abens made the following motion which was seconded by Mr. Swanson and carried.

Thanks to Christ the Redeemer Church in Pella for their gracious hospitality in hosting the 2012 Tyndale Presbytery. May God bless you in your ministries.

4:21p.m.: Mr. Sauder asked for elders to anoint and pray for Eugene Clingman. Mr. Sauder anointed with oil and Mr. Sauder, Mr. Nolder, Mr. Shade, and Mr. Davis laid hands on and prayed for Mr. Clingman.

4:26 p.m.: Mr. Nolder moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hendrian and carried.

4:29 p.m.: The assembly adjourned by singing Lead On O King Eternal and Mr. Shade closed in prayer.

Rob Davis, Secretary

Burke Shade, Presiding Minister