Minutes of Classis Grand Rapids South

Cutlerville East CRC – August 20, 2020 -6.30 p.m.

WE GATHER TOGETHER-

1. Livestream Meeting- Due to Michigan State restrictions only the following were present in the church building: Chmn-Ron Kool, SC-George Vink, Practica Examiner-Josh Van Drunen, Theological Examiner- Peter Jonker, Introducer-Jim Boer, Candidate- Daniel Joo, Three Synodical Deputies-Jerry Blom, Ron Goudzwaard, Bryce Mensink, and the CECRC delegates-listed below.

2. Roll Call- The Stated Clerk called the role as listed on the submitted via-email credentials. Delegates were asked to submit "present" via email and phone texts as previously instructed. The chairman reminded first-time delegates of their having signed the "Covenant for Officebearers."

Church	Minister	Elder(s)	Deacon
Alger Park	Stephen De Wit	Jamie Reynolds	Kim DeVries
Community	David Struyk	CJ Verbrugge	
Covenant			
Cutlerville East	Ed Visser	Dale Van Voorst	
Discovery	Paul Sausser		
Ist Cutlerville	Josh Van Drunen	Peter Quakkelaar	
Hillside Community	Ron Kool	Ron Apol	John Dulmes
Ideal Park	Chris Bouma		
inSpirit	Randy Ledeboer		
Kelloggsville	Martin Benckhuysen	Ron Geerlings	Mark Oostema
LaGrave	Peter Jonker	Grace Shearer	Matthew Scholten
Moline	Jim De Zeeuw	Marty Nagel	Bryan DeGroot
Monroe Community	Jim Boer	Jullie Louwerse	John Smilde
Providence		Dan Netz	Nick Buiter
The PIER (Absent with notification)			
Wayland	Nick Oosterheert/Keith Johnson		

3. Declaration- Upon completion of the roll call, Classis was declared constituted. Ron Kool assumed the chair. He had previously welcomed those present and those via Livestream.

4. **Opening Devotions-**Jim Boer led those present and the Livestream participants in a reflection on Mark 4:26-29 and the opening prayer.

EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATE DANIEL KWANGMYUNG JOO

1. Introduction- Jim Boer introduced Daniel as his ministry partner at Monroe CRC

2. Practica- Josh Van Drunen conducted this initial portion. Opportunity was given for further questions and a motion to proceed carried. (Voting via texts to provided numbers)

3. Sermon Evaluation- Critics Roger Bouma and Daniel Bud's written reports on the candidate's three submitted sermons, including an assigned text, had been distributed. The assigned sermon had been presented at Monroe on Zoom. After opportunity for questions and discussion, the critics' motion to proceed passed with the concurrence of the Synodical Deputies.

3.Biblical Theological -Peter Jonker conducted this portion as required. Opportunity was provided for all present and those participating via Livestream to ask additional questions. Questions were submitted via texting and emailing.

4. Executive Session-

a. Chmn Kool declared executive session and the motion was made to admit Candidate Daniel K. Joo into the ministry of the Word. Candidate Joo was excused.

b. Discussion followed after Ron Kool's requesting those on Livestreaming to mute their participation.

c. The Synodical Deputies were excused to arrive at their decision while classis voted by texting which resulted in the approval of the motion to admit Candidate Joo.

d. The Synodical Deputies indicated their written concurrence. (Documentation will be sent to Synodical Services.)

e. Executive session was concluded; the candidate was invited to return. The decision to admit was announced and received with joy and gratitude. Congratulations were given. The stated clerk presented the Classical Diploma and a Certificate of Ordination. The delegates and others present surrounded Daniel while Peter Jonker led in a prayer of praise and gratitude.

f. The Service of Ordination and Installation will take place at a future date when Daniel's folks can be present. The Regional Pastor in consultation with Pastor Resources and Daniel will assign a mentor as required.

WE DEPART-

The chairman declared the meeting concluded and thanked the host, Cutlerville East CRC, for their hospitality and the arrangements made for the Livestreaming.

NEXT MEETING -OCTOBER 15-6.30pm at PROVIDENCE CRC

Agenda Items Due by: September 10