

# MINUTES OF CLASSIS GRANDVILLE

Thursday, August 11, 2022

Meeting at:  
Ivanrest Christian Reformed Church  
Grandville, Michigan

Article 1

## OPENING DEVOTIONS

Rev. Dan Kinnas read Ephesians 4:11-16 and opening this special meeting of classis with prayer.

Article 2

## CLASSICAL LEADERSHIP

Rev. Dan Kinnas noted that he was chairing classis in the absence of Rev. Bob Huisman. Due to the health issues of stated clerk Rev. Dan Mouw and the unavailability of alternate stated clerk Rev. Dale Fopma, Rev. Rog Groenboom recorded the minutes for this meeting.

Article 3

## CREDENTIALS

The following office-bearers served as delegates:

CHURCHES	MINISTERS	ELDERS	DEACONS
Byron Center First		Kraig Keegstra *Steve Tiesenga	
Friendship Heritage Pathway Second Dorr Grandville Fellowship Hanley Hope	Dan Kinnas  Jim Heethuis  Cedric Parsels  Tom Vander Ploeg Joe Vanden Akker	Sian Jansen *Daryl Holwerda Jim Elzinga Jake DenHartigh Benjamin Tjapkes  *Jodi Tenhopen *Jim Van Wyk Kirk Riddering *Joe Grochowalski	*Shawn Orr Brad Diekema  Ron Kuipers  Nick Rosema
Ivanrest South Grandville	Brandon Haan	Bob Pettijohn *Keith Beavon Jim Mellema	*Cassie Beadle Carl Wierenga
Wyoming Calvary		*Matt Jewett Elizabeth Westrate	Joy Betten

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Faith Community Hahn-In Hispana Emanuel Lee Street	Rog Groenboom  Steve De Vries	Doug Vander Wilp  Harry Disselkoen	*Jason Schaaf  *Becky Veltkamp

\*First time delegates who stood to indicate their agreement with the Covenant for Office-bearers

### Article 4

#### WELCOME

Chairperson Dan Kinnas welcomed delegates and visitors, and he introduced the agenda for the evening.

### Article 5

#### EXAMINATION OF NATE RUSTICUS FOR THE OFFICE OF COMMISSIONED PASTOR

- a) Rev. Brandon Haan, pastor of Ivanrest CRC, introduced Mr. Nate Rusticus.
- b) Rev. Doug Fauble, who served as sermon examiner along with Rev. Hank Vlaardingebroek, read the sermon examination report.
- c) Rev. Tom Vander Ploeg led the examination of Mr. Rusticus.
- d) **The following motion was made and supported:**  
**That Mr. Nate Rusticus be approved for the office of Commissioned Pastor as he serves the Ivanrest Christian Reformed Church in Grandville, Michigan.**

Mr. Rusticus and other visitors were dismissed from the meeting for a time of discussion. Rev. Rog Groenboom led classis in a prayer for discernment.

**This motion was ADOPTED.**

Chairperson Dan Kinnas presented Commissioned Pastor Nate Rusticus with a classical diploma. Rev. Brandon Haan led classis in prayer as delegates laid on hands or extended hands of blessing.

### Article 6

#### DISBANDING OF THE HOPE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

**The following motion was made and supported: That Classis Grandville approves the request of the Hope Christian Reformed Church to disband.**

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A Hope CRC delegate explained that the council and congregation came to this decision thoughtfully and prayerfully over many months. Classis noted the influence that Hope CRC has had in its long ministry over the past century.

**This motion was ADOPTED.**

The Hope CRC has requested the South Grandville CRC to hold the memberships of their congregation in this transition. The Council of South Grandville CRC has agreed to this request.

**A motion was made and supported to approve this assignment of church membership. ADOPTED.**

Article 7

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Dan Kinnas thanked the Ivanrest CRC for its hospitality and closed this meeting with prayer.

**Next meeting of Classis Grandville:  
Thursday, September 15 at the Fellowship CRC**