

## **Minutes**

### **Classis California South**

**Sunday, March 1, 2015 4:00 p.m. to 9 p.m.**

**Location:** CrossPoint Church CRC, Chino Ca.

**Chairman of the Day:** Rev. Mark Vermaire

**Vice Chair:** Mr. John Voortman

**Stated Clerk:** Mr. Mario Perez Sr.

1. **4:00 p.m.** Chairman Mark Vermaire calls meeting to order and introduced himself. He offered prayer.
2. **4:10 – 4:30p.m.**-CrossPoint Church Praise and Worship was led by Jamie Wiersma and Doug Westenbroek in three songs and closed in prayer.
3. **4:30 – 4:45p.m.**-Rev. Jul Medenblik, President of Calvin Theological Seminary spoke briefly of his work and the work of Calvin Seminary. The opportunity now available through online courses that allows working individuals to access the Calvin Seminary and obtain their MDiv. continues to gain popularity and its current admissions is close to 300. Rev. Jul shared that a portion of those enrolled are not of the CRC. Rev. Jul opened up floor to questions answers.
4. **4:45 – 6:00p.m.**- Presentation by Karl Westerhof and Carl Kammeraad on Renewal for Classis California South. A power point was used to coach us through two stories of classis renewal from Classes Grand Rapids East, Mi and Classis Georgetown, Mi.. After the presentation we were broke down into groups of 4 to 5 per table. We were asked particular questions that were recorded and used to bring open discussion. We were able to identify and celebrate what God continues to do in the way of diversity. This also opened up the discussion of the challenges that must be addressed to move forward. How and what role does classis have in building bridges that create relationships that bring accountability, encouragement and collaboration?
5. **6:00 – 6:30p.m.**- a meal was provided and a team of ladies from CrossPoint church served. They were recognized for their willingness to serve the classis delegates.
6. **6:30-9:00p.m.**-Chairman Mark Vermaire reconvened the meeting and then ask Stated Clerk to conduct roll call.

### **Organized Churches**

- 1) Chino, CrossPoint CRC: John Voortman, Bryan Vander Tuig
- 2) Fontana, Iglesia Cristiana El Sembrador: Harold Caicedo, Roberto Quinonez
- 3) Fullerton, Orange Korean CRC: Absent
- 4) Fullerton, Faith Community: Edward Kim
- 5) La Puente: Hanaro CRC: Absent
- 6) Las Vegas, Areumdawoon Church: Dae Woo Park
- 7) Las Vegas, Yung Kwang: Absent
- 8) Las Vegas, Grace Valley: Absent
- 9) Moreno Valley, Oasis Community: Rudy Gonzalez, Lee Johnson
- 10) City of Orange, Korean American CRC of Orange County: Absent
- 11) Redlands, The River CRC: Scott Elgersma, Landon Kern, Thomas Odenbaugh

- 12) Riverside, Hope Community CRC: Cor Pool, Ron Glass, Jacob Van Hofwegen
- 13) San Diego, Living Faith Community CRC: Joe Nasvytis
- 14) San Diego, Trinity Fellowship CRC: Absent
- 15) San Marcos, Crossroads CRC: Mark Vermaire, Bill Stout, Trena Boonstra
- 16) San Marcos, Iglesia Camino al Cielo Church: Absent
- 17) Santa Ana, Hmong CRC: Absent
- 18) Walnut, Good news Chapel: Jimmy Han
- 19) Westminster, Korean CRC of Orange County: Absent

**Emerging churches:**

- 1) Laotian Vientiane, Moreno Valley, CA: Sysay Vilaylack
- 2) Sovereign Grace Community, Perris, CA: Absent
- 3) Friendship Community, Fontana, CA: Absent
- 4) Crosspoint Chinese, Chino, CA: Yi Ming Kao
- 5) International Church of Praise, Chula Vista, CA: Absent
- 6) La Semilla, Chino, Ca: Robert Quinonez

With 10 of 19 organized churches represented, a quorum was declared.

7. Two first time Delegates signed Covenant of Officer-bearers.
8. Chairman Mark Vermaire welcomed guests.
9. Chairman invited Stated Clerk to present report from executive team.
  - The following individuals were recognized for their faithful service to Classis Ca. So. and presented with a gift of appreciation.
    - 1) Rev. Will Verhoef – CET/Stated Clerk
    - 2) Rev. Ron Chu – CET/CML
    - 3) Mr. Kyu Paek – CET
    - 4) Mr. Phil Dubois – CET/CDT and Home Missions
10. Rev. Cor Pool/ Classis Credentialing Team explained the process of Article 23 for commissioned pastors. He also reported on Phil Dubois and his new role.
11. Commissioned Pastor Phil Dubois has a change in status and has been offered a position as Associate Pastor of Hope Community Church. The CET has received a new job description from Hope Community Church Council. CET recommends the approval of the job description. That was seconded and the motion was passed. The Synodical Deputies have concurred. Because Phil had been examined in the past, classis did not examine him again.
12. **Examination** of Roberto Quinonez was conducted by Rudy Gonzalez and interpreted by Roberto Quinonez Jr.
  - Job description was provided and accepted by CET. CET recommends the approval of the job description. That was seconded and the motion was passed. The Synodical Deputies have concurred.
  - Recommendations were given by Rev. Scott Elgersma in way of encouraging Roberto to continue to strengthen his method and structure of sermon preparation.

### 13. Elections

#### A. Delegates to Synod elected

Location: Dort College, Sioux Center, IA on June 12-18, 2015

- 1<sup>st</sup> Minister Delegate- Jimmy Han
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Minister Delegate- Scott Elgersma
- 1<sup>st</sup> Minister Alternate Delegate- Cornelius Pool
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Minister Alternate Delegate- Edward Kim
- 1<sup>st</sup> Elder Delegate- Lee Johnson
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Elder Delegate- Manuel Aguilar
- 1<sup>st</sup> Alternate Elder Delegate- Ron Glass
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate Elder Delegate- Bob Moore

#### B. World Renew Board Member from Classis Ca. So.

- A second 3 year Term will be completed by Mr. Joel Verhoef on June 30, 2015
- Trena Boonstra was recommended by Crossroads CRC council for World Renew Board Member; recommendation was brought before classis and approved.

#### C. Voting for Calvin College and Calvin Seminary Board members from Region 6

- A total of 17 ballots were counted and submitted.

#### D. Classis Executive Team Member Jimmy Han to serve an additional term (3 yrs)

- Motion made, second and approved.

### 14. Reports of Classical teams.

- **Church Development Team** – Mr. Rudy Gonzalez reported on team and introduced Mirtha Villafane, Hispanic Ministry Developer to fill the position of Classis Mission Leader. Motion made, seconded and approved.
- **Leadership Development Team** – Danell Czarnecki reported that the LDT is also going through a leadership change and will be searching for new members.
- **Classical Credentialing Team** – Pastor Cor Pool shared on the work of the team, its recent accomplishments as to the preparation of the examination for Roberto Quinonez and its continued work with Pastor Yi Ming Cao (CrossPoint Chinese Church). He also recommended Rev Harold Caicedo as an additional member on the team. Classis approved the recommendation.
- **Classical Finance Team** – Mr. Dave DeKoekkoek was unavailable but did provide a preliminary report that is encouraging. **(Report attached)**
- **Classical Executive Team** – Pastor Jimmy Han shared that the Executive team is going through a time of transition and is requesting grace from the classis. The team will also be searching for additional members. The current team consists of 3 members, treasurer and 3 Advisors.

**15. Reports from Classical Counselors**

- **Rev. Mark Vermaire for Trinity Fellowship CRC, San Diego** – Reported that the church continues to work as it has. The preaching is being provided by Westminster Seminary (Escondido, Ca) seminarians.
- **Rev. Scott Elgersma for CrossPoint CRC, Chino** – Reported that CrossPoint Council continues to move forward and is working with its consultant as he prepares to finish the report of its assessment.
- **Rev. Ray Hommes for Oasis Community CRC, Moreno Valley** – Reported on the work of Mr. Rudy Gonzalez and Mr. Bob Moore and highly commended them for their leadership.

**16. Chairman Rev. Mark Vermaire gave some concluding comments, thanked the host church and offered a closing prayer.**

**Next Classis Meeting: October 18, 2015**

**Location: TBD**

9:10 PM  
02/24/15  
Accrual Basis

Classis California South  
Income Statement Budget vs. Actual  
January through December 2014

	Jan - Dec 14	Budget	\$ Over Budget
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>			
<b>Income</b>			
4000 - Classical Shares	60,524.24	63,500.00	-3,175.76
4300 - Denominational Shares	0.00		
4600 - Student Fund Repayments	1,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00
4800 - Interest Income	3,686.43	2,600.00	1,289.43
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>65,213.67</b>	<b>68,100.00</b>	<b>-2,886.33</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>65,213.67</b>	<b>68,100.00</b>	<b>-2,886.33</b>
<b>Expense</b>			
5000 - Classis Operating Expenses	8,213.85	10,000.00	-1,786.14
5100 - Student Fund Support	6,600.00	8,500.00	-1,900.00
5200 - Home Missions	4,630.00	11,000.00	-6,400.00
5350 - Camp Dynamics	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
5620 - Hispanic Ministries Development	16,000.00	16,000.00	0.00
5800 - Evangelist Training Program	15,228.00	11,500.00	3,728.00
7000 - New Church Development	0.00	5,000.00	-3,000.00
7050 - WCCR	2,354.38	5,000.00	-2,645.62
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>55,896.04</b>	<b>72,500.00</b>	<b>16,603.96</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>9,317.63</b>	<b>-4,400.00</b>	<b>13,717.63</b>
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Accrual Basis

Classis California South  
Income Statement w/Previous Year  
January through December 2014

	Jan - Dec 14	Jan - Dec 13	\$ Change
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>			
<b>Income</b>			
4000 - Classical Shares	60,524.24	48,301.74	12,022.50
4300 - Denominational Shares	0.00	0.00	0.00
4600 - Student Fund Repayments	1,000.00	2,400.00	-1,400.00
4800 - Interest Income	3,689.43	4,080.75	-191.32
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>65,213.67</b>	<b>62,782.49</b>	<b>12,431.18</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>65,213.67</b>	<b>62,782.49</b>	<b>12,431.18</b>
<b>Expense</b>			
5000 - Classis Operating Expenses	8,213.85	8,489.47	-275.61
5100 - Student Fund Support	6,600.00	3,400.00	3,100.00
5200 - Home Missions	4,630.00	10,591.00	-5,791.00
5350 - Camp Dynamics	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
5620 - Hispanic Ministries Development	16,000.00	15,699.85	300.15
5800 - Evangelist Training Program	15,228.00	14,899.00	329.00
7000 - New Church Development	0.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
7050 - WCCR	2,354.38	15,100.00	-12,745.62
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>55,896.04</b>	<b>74,879.43</b>	<b>-18,983.39</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>9,317.63</b>	<b>-22,096.94</b>	<b>31,414.57</b>
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