

Minutes
Classis California South
Thursday, February 9, 2012 6:30 p.m.
Location: Hope Community CRC, Riverside, CA
Chairman of the Day: Pastor Cor Pool
Vice Chairman: Pastor Rick Kim
Stated Clerk: Will Verhoef

1. A time of worship and prayer was led by the host church. It included the singing of praise songs led by a praise team from Hope Church followed by a testimony by Rev. Pool having to do with the loss of his wife Kathy last May. He then invited all present to gather into small groups for a time of prayer.
2. Chairman Pool calls the meeting to order

- a. Stated Clerk Will Verhoef conducted the roll call of the delegates

Delegates from Organized Churches

Chino, CrossPoint CRC: John Jansen, Bryan Vander Tuig, Vince Cooper
Fullerton, Orange Korean CRC: no representatives.
Fullerton, Faith Community: Alex Kim, Roy Son, Edward Kim
Irvine, Urim CRC: no representatives
La Puente: Hanaro CRC: Jasen Na and John Park
Las Vegas, Yung Kwang: no representatives
Las Vegas, Grace Valley: no representatives
Moreno Valley, Oasis Community: Al Breems and LeeVale Butler
City of Orange, Korean American CRC of Orange County: John Seho Oh
Redlands, The River CRC: Scott Elgersma, Dale Vander Tuig, Sandy Cooper
Riverside, Hope Community CRC: Cor Pool, Paul Andringa, Jake Van Hofwegen
San Diego, San Diego CRC: Don Boss and John Berends
San Diego, Trinity Fellowship CRC: Jose Munoz, James Noell, Charles Grandt
San Marcos, Crossroads CRC: Dirk Jasperse, Rich Boonstra, Linda Van Solkema
Santa Ana, Hmong CRC: no representatives
Tustin, First Harvest Chapel: Rick Kim
West Covina, Good News Chapel: Jimmy Han, Chris Moon and Dae Gun Chang
Westminster, Korean CRC of Orange County: Kyu Paek, Joshua Nam, Kevin Park

Representatives from emerging churches:

Rev. Sysay Vilaylack,, Laotian Vientiane, Moreno Valley, CA; Mr. Harold Caicedo, Iglesia Cristiana El Sembrado, Fontana, CA; Mr. Robert Moore, Sovereign Grace Community, Perris, CA

The request from the San Diego CRC that its Interim Pastor Rev. John Berends be seated as a Pastor delegate was approved.

- b. Five first-time delegates signed the form of subscription
 - c. Guests were welcomed including synodical deputies Keith Bulthuis (Classis Red Mesa), Bruce Persenaire (Classis Central California) and Peter Ryu (Classis Pacific Hanmi). Other guests mentioned by name: Arlen Vanden Bos, Phil duBois, Mirtha Villafane; Lou Wagenveld, Mario Perez, Don Porter, Joel Verhoef, John Gonzales and Yenny Caicedo. Family members and church members of Mr. Caicedo were also present.
3. Examination of Candidate John Harold Caicedo according to Church Order Article 10.
 - a. Pastor Scott Elgersma of The River CRC introduced the candidate to the classis.
 - b. Jose Munoz conducted the Practica portion of the examination. A motion to proceed to the next portion of the examination passed.

- c. Mario Perez reported for himself and Rudy Gonzalez in terms of the classical sermon that Mr. Caicedo preached on January 22. A motion to proceed passed. Synodical deputies concurred.
- d. Cor Pool conducted the Biblical/theological portion of the exam.
- e. Procedure for admitting to the ministry
 - 1) A motion to admit was received and given preliminary consideration in executive session.
 - 2) Prayer for the guidance of the Holy Spirit was offered.
 - 3) Synodical deputies left to prepare their recommendation.
 - 4) The classis voted by ballot. The motion to admit Mr. Caicedo into the ministry of the Word in the CRC passed.
 - 5) Synodical deputies concurred.
 - 6) Decision is announced and shared with Candidate Caicedo.
 - 7) A prayer of thanksgiving is offered by Scott Elgersma. A classical diploma was presented and delegates and guests were invited forward to offer their congratulations and best wishes.

4. Balloting for the election of minister and elder delegates and alternates to Synod 2012 was begun and continued throughout the rest of the meeting.

Results of the election: First Minister delegate: Rev. Rick Kim
 Second Minister delegate: Mr. Jose Munoz
 First minister alternate: Rev. Harold Caicedo
 Second minister alternate: Rev. Will Verhoef
 First elder delegate: Mr. LeeVale Butler
 Second elder delegate: Mr. Phil duBois
 First elder alternate: Mr. John Jansen
 Second elder alternate: Mr. Dirk Jasperse

- 5. Article 8 Colloquium Doctum of Rev. Jay Song of Good News Chapel, West Covina, CA.
 - a. Cor Pool of the Classical Candidacy Committee reported that all was in order to proceed.
 - b. Conversation with Rev. Song in the areas of Reformed doctrine, sanctity of life and knowledge and appreciation of CRC practice and usage was led by Scott Elgersma.
 - c. Questions from delegates and synodical deputies were answered.
 - d. Motion to declare Rev. Song available for a call in the CRCNA was approved.
 - e. Comments were made by Rev. Jim Han. He then led in a prayer of thanksgiving. A certificate was given Rev. Song and congratulations were offered by delegates, guests, and synodical deputies.
- 6. Will Verhoef reported for the Classical Executive Team.
 - a. A recommendation to extend the loan status of Rev. Charles Hong for another two years according to Church Order Article 13-c was approved. Synodical deputies concurred.
 - b. The Article 17 separation of Rev. Kang from Hanaro Church was dealt with. Chairman Cor Pool declared executive session. The separation agreement was distributed (and later collected for reasons of confidentiality). The recommendation that classis approve the separation agreement was made after two stipulations were added: 1) That Rev. Tong Park would be the Classical Counselor for Hanaro Church as it began the search process for its next pastor; 2) That the CET would assign an Interim Leader (chairman) who would have the responsibility of leading the consistory and council meetings. After discussion, the motion was approved. (The separation agreement was signed by Stated Clerk Will Verhoef. A copy is in the Stated Clerk's file.)
 - c. Will gave an update on classis visioning and strategizing process via a powerpoint presentation.
 - d. A motion to add Mr. Robert Moore to the Classical Church Development Team and approve Lois Vander Pol and Rick Kim for additional three year terms was approved.
 - e. The work of the CET was approved.

7. Chairman Cor Pool closed the meeting with prayer,

