

**CLASSIS CALIFORNIA SOUTH**  
**Minutes of October 12, 2017**  
**El Sembrador CRC, Fontana, CA**

**Chairman of the Day: Rev. Scott Elgersma**  
**Vice-Chairman: Rev. Joe Nasvytis**  
**Stated Clerk: Rev. Cor Pool**

1. Chairman Scott Elgersma welcomed all those in attendance and led in opening devotions and a prayer. El Sembrador led us in a time of worship and showed a video presentation on the ministries of their church.
2. Chairman Scott Elgersma called the classis meeting to order and Stated Clerk, Cor Pool, conducted the roll call:

**Delegates from Organized Churches:**

Chino, CA—CrossPoint CRC: Don Porter, John Voortman, Nancy De Jager  
Fontana, CA—Iglesia Cristiana El Sembrador CRC: Tomas Aldana, Drucila Tanahuvia  
Fullerton, CA—Faith Community CRC: No representatives  
Fullerton, CA—Orange Korean CRC: No representatives  
La Puente, CA—Hanaro Community CRC: No representatives  
Las Vegas, NV—Areumdawoon CRC: Daewoo Park  
Las Vegas, NV—Grace Valley CRC: Lewis Kim, Alan Pinkham, Sharon Rowe  
Las Vegas, NV—Yung Kwang CRC: Chulhan Cho, Steve Kim, Sam Kim  
Moreno Valley, CA—Oasis Community CRC: Lee Johnson  
Orange, CA—Korean-American CRC of Orange County: John Seho Oh  
Redlands, CA—The River CRC: Scott Elgersma, Jack Nydam, Mary DeWaard  
Riverside, CA—Hope Community CRC: Andy Hanson, Ron Glass, Daryl Switzer  
San Diego, CA—Living Faith Community CRC: Joe Nasvytis, Larry Hoeksema  
San Diego, CA—Trinity Fellowship CRC: Shirley Turner, Charles Granot  
San Marcos, CA—Crossroads CRC: Bill Stout, Ineke Burrie  
San Marcos, CA—Iglesia Camino al Cielo CRC: Ruben Aguilar  
Walnut, CA—Good News Chapel CRC: Jimmy Han, Jan Lee  
Westminster, CA—Korean CRC of Orange County: Joshua Nam, Moses Park, Hee Joo Noh

**Representatives from Emerging Churches:**

Chino, CA—La Semilla CRC: Roberto Quinonez

**Synodical Deputies:** Rev. Rick Westra (GLA), Rev. Jonathan Kim (Ko-Am);  
Rev. Mark Hofman (Central CA)

3. First time delegates signed the Covenant for Officebearers.
4. New pastors and guests were welcomed and introduced.
5. **MOTION: To declare that Rev. Dae Hoon Kim is eligible for call as a Minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church.** Following the procedure of a colloquium doctum for a minister from another denomination as prescribed in Church Order Article 8 and its Supplement, classis examined Rev. Dae Hoon Kim. ***Motion passed. Concurrence of synodical deputies received.***

6. **MOTION: To admit Candidate Eunjun Jeong as Minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church.** Following the procedure of examination for a candidate as prescribed in Church Order Article 10 and its Supplement, classis examined Eunjun Jeong. ***Motion passed. Concurrence of synodical deputies received.***
7. **MOTION: That Classis approve the honorable release of Rev. Jimmy Han** from Good News Chapel CRC **according to Article 14-b** in order to enter a ministry outside the Christian Reformed Church. Chairman Scott Elgersma expressed words of thanks to Jimmy Han for his many years of faithful leadership in our classis and offered a prayer of thanks and blessing. ***Motion passed. Concurrence of synodical deputies received.***
8. **Lunch:** Chairman Scott Elgersma offered a prayer for the lunch. Delegates and guests enjoyed a time of fellowship as lunch was served.
9. Chairman Scott Elgersma called the delegates back to order.
10. **MOTION: that Classis approve the new leadership structure for Classis CA South.** On behalf of the Classis Renewal Team (CRT) Scott Elgersma presented a proposal for a new leadership structure within our classis. The Classis Vision Team (CVT) would take the place of the Classical Executive Team (CET). CVT would consist of Value Team Leaders and Classis Officers and may include others as well as advisors. The Value Teams would consist of a Discipleship Team, Leadership Development Team, Community Engagement Team, Collaboration Team and a Church Identity Team. (See attachment). Discussion followed. The CET will recruit participants and leaders for the CVT. ***Motion passed.***
11. Classis **approved** the Stated Clerks' report by Cor Pool and Will Verhoef (written report).
12. Classis **approved** the following recommendations from the Classis Executive Team:
  - a. That Student Fund grants be approved for Rev. Harold Caicedo in the amount of \$3000 and Mario Perez in the amount of \$5000.
  - b. That classis appoint a Classis Counselor to the Good News Chapel in light of the departure of its Senior Pastor Rev. Jimmy Han. Name of that Counselor is still to be determined by the CET.
  - c. That classis approve the disbanding of the Hmong CRC, Santa Ana effective May 2017 in accordance with Church Order Article 38-d which states: "When a council and congregation decide to disband or revert to unorganized status, the approval of classis is required. If any distribution of assets is required, the congregation and council shall consult with classis."
  - d. That classis approve the splitting of Regional Pastor responsibilities between Rev. Mike Vander Pol and Rev. Cor Pool. Mike would handle the southern part of our classis and Cor the northern part.
13. **MOTION: That Classis approve the Youth Ministry Champion position for Classis GLA and Classis CA South with a budget of \$4,000 from Classis CA South.** Kristen Rietkerk gave a presentation on Youth Ministry Champion for Classis GLA and Classis CA South. ***Motion passed.***

14. Treasurer Ted Meján presented the proposed 2018 Budget for classis along with the budget narrative.
  - a. **MOTION: to use the Classis Loan Fund to make up the \$13,500 shortfall for sponsored programs. *Motion passed.***
  - b. **MOTION: to approve the proposed budget for 2018 using scenario #1. *Motion passed.***
15. Reports were received from Church Counselors to churches currently without a senior or lead pastor.
  - a. Harold Caicedo: Camino Al Cielo, San Marcos (written report)
  - b. Phil Du Bois: Hanaro, La Puente and Yung Kwang, Las Vegas (written reports)
  - c. Scott Elgersma: CrossPoint, Chino (written report).
  - d. Ray Hommes: Oasis Community, Moreno Valley (written report)
  - e. Cor Pool: Grace Valley, Las Vegas (written report)
  - f. John Poortenga: Crossroads, San Marcos (written report)
  - g. Will Verhoef: Hope Community, Riverside (written report)
  - h. Lou Wagenveld: Trinity Fellowship, San Diego (written report)
16. Reports were heard from the following regional and denominational functionaries:
  - a. Faith Formation Ministries: Kristen Rietkerk
  - b. Evangelist Training Program: Al Breems (written report)
  - c. Hispanic Ministry Developer: Mirtha Villafane
  - d. Resonate Global Missions: Nick In't Hout
  - e. Disaster Response Services: Eudell Vis
  - f. World Renew: No report.
  - g. Council of Delegates: Harold Caicedo:
    - Synod 2015 approved the formation of a Council of Delegates (COD) as a policy governance and deliberative body in the interim of synod. Rev. Harold Caicedo is the delegate for Classis CA South. The very first orientation and mandate meeting of the COD is October 11-13 in Grand Rapids, MI.
  - h. Calvin College Board of Trustees: Fernando del Rosario
    - 2018 Denomination Board Nominations and Reappointments for Region 6: Mr. del Rosario is completing his first three-year terms and is eligible for reelection. If no reservations are raised re this nominee, his name will be submitted to Synod 2018 for reappointment." **No reservations.**
  - i. Calvin Theological Seminary Board of Trustees: Scott Elgersma
    - 2018 Denomination Board Nominations and Reappointments for Region 6: Rev. Elgersma is completing his first three-year terms and is eligible for reelection. If no reservations are raised re this nominee, his name will be submitted to Synod 2018 for reappointment." **No reservations.**
17. Delegate Larry Hoeksema gave some highlights on the state of the church at Living Faith Community Church in San Diego. They will be celebrating their 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2018. (written report).
18. Vice-Chairman Joe Nasvytis adjourned the meeting with words of thanks and a closing prayer.

***The next meeting of Classis California South will be held on Thursday, March 1, 2018***