

Anselm Presbytery Meeting Minutes
October 16, 2008

Meeting began at 1:30 PM

Pastor Hatcher offered to facilitate the initial discussions of the meeting and there was no objection from the assembly.

Member Churches Present:

Covenant Bible Church - Chugiak, AK Jack Phelps (JP)
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Trinity Church – Kirkland, WA Dave Hatcher (DHatcher)
Trinity Church – Kirkland, WA Brett Baker (BB)
Christ Covenant Church – Langley, BC Garry Vanderveen (GV)
Christ Covenant Church – Lynnwood, WA Dean Hellekson (DHellekson)
Mitaka Evangelical Church – Tokyo, Japan Ralph Smith (RS)
Reformation Covenant Church – Oregon City, OR Dennis Tuuri (DT)
Reformation Covenant Church – Oregon City, OR Doug Hayes (DHayes)
Evangelical Reformed Church – Poznan, Poland Sebastian Smolarz (SS)
Trinity Reformation Church – Salem, OR Jeff Harlow (JH)
Evangelical Reformed Church – Wroclaw, Poland Bogumil Jarmulak (BJ)
Evangelical Reformed Church – Wroclaw, Poland Aleksnder Bieriejzanczuk (AB)

Member Churches Absent:

Christ the King Church – Eugene, OR Scott Snider

1. Quorum Established – 9 of 10 churches represented
2. Opened in prayer
3. Election of the Presiding Minister of Presbytery

By unanimous consent, the Anselm Presbytery established that this elected Presiding Minister of the Anselm Presbytery would serve an initial term of one year. Elections will occur next year. This will allow there to be staggered terms among the various presbyteries.

Motion (GV/RS) to nominate Dave Hatcher to Presiding Minister – motion carries unanimously.

4. Election of the Presiding Minister Pro Tempore of Presbytery

Motion (DT/JH) to nominate Garry Vanderveen as Presiding Minister Pro Tempore of the Anselm Presbytery – motion carries unanimously.

5. Election of Delegates to CREC Council

In addition to her Presiding Minister, Anselm Presbytery must select another delegate to represent the Presbytery at the next Council meeting in three years.

Motion to nominate Mr. Smith (GV) – declined by Mr. Smith

Motion to nominate Mr. Jarmulak (GV) – declined by Mr. Jarmulak

Motion to nominate Mr. Tuuri (JH/SS) – motion carries unanimously.

6. Election of Alternate Delegates to CREC Council

Motion to nominate Mr. Jarmulak as 1st alternate - (DHayes/JP) – motion carries unanimously.

Motion to nominate Mr. Smith as 2nd alternate – (GV/DHellekson) – motion carries unanimously.

7. Establishment of Next Stated Anselm Presbytery Meeting

By consent it was agreed that the Presbytery should assume her next stated meeting to be a two-day meeting.

By consent it was agreed that the next stated meeting of Presbytery would coincide with the Ministerial Conference with respect to dates. No specific date was yet set.

Motion (DH/BJ) to establish the Seattle area to be location of next stated meeting of Presbytery and that Trinity Church - Kirkland & Christ Covenant Church – Lynnwood would co-host. Motion carries unanimously.

8. Other Business:

1. Drafting a Biography of Anselm

- i. By consent it was concluded that this had already been done and the existing biography would be reviewed by Presiding Minister Hatcher for publication on the presbytery website.

2. Establishment of Anselm Presbytery listserv

- i. By consent, it was agreed that Garry Vanderveen would establish an additional discussion group list only for Elders and Pastors of the Anselm Presbytery

2. Nomenclature When Referring to Minister of Presbytery or Council

Motion (BB/JH) – In the ordinary conduct of her business and communication, the Ministers of both the presbytery and the council will be referred to as the Presiding Minister of Presbytery or the Presiding Minister of Council. Motion carries unanimously.

By consent, it was agreed that Trinity Church – Kirkland would establish and maintain the website for the Anselm Presbytery.

9. Poland Event

The Polish churches extended an invitation to any members to come over to Poland for a church planting event in Legnica, Poland.

Ordination Examination of Mr. Jeff Moss

At the time that Mr. Moss's examination began, it was a work of a committee subset of Anselm Presbytery. However after the reconstituting of the presbyteries, the members of the Knox Presbytery let it be known that they will complete their report and recommendation and that Mr. Moss would surely be recommended for ordination to the Session at Christ Church - Moscow, ID

10. Motion to Adjourn (BB/RS)

11. Closing in Prayer – Pastor Jarmulak