

Official Minutes for the Annual Meeting of the Anselm Presbytery (Communion of Reformed Evangelical Churches) Lake Tahoe, NV, Tuesday, October 7, 2014

Pro Tempore Presiding Minister (PTPM) Garry Vanderveen called the meeting to order at 9am.

I. Invocation by Attila Hajdu

II. Psalm Singing led by Dave Hatcher

III. Scriptural Exhortation by Sebastian Smolarz

Pastor Smolarz spoke from 2 Corinthians 4:7-12 and reminded us that we are earthen pots, jars of clay, and God has placed a great treasure within us! Pastor Smolarz noted that our “clayness” should drive us to humility, for we have no strength in ourselves. Our “clayness” also reminds us of the great cost of ministry, for we are easily broken (vs. 9-10), even to the point of death. Thus, death must be a chief characteristic of a church leader.

IV. Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum

Christ Covenant Church, Eagle Point, OR (Kenny Anderson)
Christ Covenant Church – Langley, BC (Garry Vanderveen)
Christ the King Church – Eugene, OR (Flynn Ayers)
Christian Evangelical Reformed Church, Mykolaiv, Ukraine – (Volodymyr Mykyta)
Covenant Bible Church – Chugiak, AK (Jack Phelps & Gerald Allsup)
Evangelical Reformed Church – Poznan, Poland
Evangelical Reformed Church – Wroclaw, Poland (Sebastian Smolarz)
Mitaka Evangelical Church – Tokyo, Japan (Ralph Smith)
Presbyterian Reformed Church – Burgas, Bulgaria (Yavor Rusinov)
Redeemer Church – Lynnwood, WA (Dean Hellekson & Michael Kloss)
Reformation Covenant Church – Oregon City, OR (Dennis Tuuri)
Rivne Biblical Church – Rivne, Ukraine (San Sanych)
Trinity Church – Kirkland, WA (Dave Hatcher & Brett Baker)

V. Introduction of Guests and Visitors

Guests introduced: Troy Anderson, Bethany Forster, Rachel Maily, Jenny Owen, Miwazza Jemimah

VI. Member Reports

Member reports were given and each church was prayed for following their report.

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*PTPM Vanderveen called for a break at 11:12am
Reconvened at 11:19am*

VII. Updates on Current Candidate and Mission Churches Not Being Considered for Full Membership

A. Emmanuel Church, Kenmore, WA
Mission Church of Trinity Church, Kirkland, WA

B. King’s Cross Church, Wenatchee, WA
Mission Church of Trinity Church, Kirkland, WA

VIII. Consideration of Candidate and Mission Churches for CREC Membership

A. Evangelical Reformed Church, Dunayevtsy, Ukraine
Sponsoring church - Covenant Bible Church , Chugiak, AK

PTPM Vanderveen invited Pastor Alexander Pavlyuk to stand and field questions from the body. Pastor Phelps called for the vote to accept Evangelical Reformed Church into full membership, Elder Baker seconded (14:0:0). Motion carried.

Pastor Pavlyuk took his vows and was seated at the table.

IX. Introduction of New Mission Churches

A. Mission Church in Soldotna, Alaska
Sponsoring church – Covenant Bible Church (Pastor Jack Phelps)

Pastor Phelps moved to accept as a new candidate church, Pastor Hellekson seconded, discussion. PTPM called for the vote (14:0:0). Motion carried.

X. Old Anselm Business

A. Reviewed the list of recognized ministers in Anselm Presbytery.

No action required.

B. Discuss Council Agenda
CCC (Langley) moved to withdraw Motion 7.

Pastor Smith moved to withdraw Motion 7, Mr. Baker seconded. PTPM called for the vote (14:0:0). Motion carried.

XI. Electing of Anselm delegates for 2014 CREC Council

Pastor Hatcher moved to nominate Pastor Tuuri to replace PM Jarmulak as a delegate to 2014 Council, Elder. Baker seconded and PTPM Vanderveen called for the vote (17:0:0) Motion Carried.

XII. Location/Date of Anselm Presbytery Meeting in 2015

Pastor Phelps moved that, if possible, the meeting should be in at a place and dated to be determined with an ad hoc meeting. Pastor Heleckson seconded and PTPM called for the vote (14:0:0). Motion carried

XIII. Closing Psalm Singing and Prayer

Pastor Hatcher led in singing and Pastor Smith closed in prayer.

Elder Baker moved to adjourn the 2014 Anselm Presbytery, Pastor Tuuri seconded, PTPM called for the vote, (14:0:00) Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned.
