

TYNDALE PRESBYTERY

Tyndale Presbytery Agenda for September 27-28, 2012

Pella, IA

FINAL DRAFT, AUGUST 17, 2012

Thursday, September 27, 2012

2:30 p.m.-pre-Presbytery workshop on Evangelism and Church growth at Country Inn and Suites

Presentations by Eric Sauder, Jeff Evans, Burke Shade, and Trinity Evangelical Church

Distribution of maps to Stoney Point Estate for Friday's meeting

6:30 p.m.- pre-Presbytery fellowship time at Country Inn and Suites, Pella

Friday, September 28, 2012

Meeting at Stoney Point Estate (directions forthcoming from Brian Nolder)

1. Welcome and Exhortation (9:00 a.m.)

- A. Welcome from the host church: Brian Nolder/Scott Bailey
- B. Invocation-
- C. Psalms-Tim Bushong
- D. Exhortation from the Presiding Minister-Burke Shade

2. Session One: Church Reports (9:30 a.m.)

- A. Call the Meeting to Order (hand out copies of Robert's Rules)
- B. Calling of the Roll/Establishment of a Quorum (2/3 representation of member churches)
- C. Establish agenda
- D. Member Church Reports (Note: Mission/Candidate churches will report with their sponsoring church—all reports five to ten minutes each)
 - i. Christ Church of Livingston County, Howell, MI
 - ii. Christ Church Twin Cities, Minnetonka, MN
 - iii. Christ Covenant Church of Chicago, Chicago, IL
 - iv. Christ the King Church, New Era, MI
 - v. Christ the King Church, Springfield, MO
 - vi. Christ the Redeemer Church, Pella, IA
 - vii. Cornerstone Reformed Church, Carbondale, IL
 - viii. Providence Church, Caro, MI

- ix. Reformed Presbyterian Church, Tyumen, Russia
- x. Trinity Covenant Church, Wichita, KS
- xi. Trinity Evangelical Church, Syracuse, IN
- E. Prayer for all churches (to be done after each church report)
- F. Recognition of Guests and Visiting Delegations

Lunch Break: 12:00-1:30 p.m. (catered at Stoney Point)

Reconvene: 1:30 p.m.

3. Session Two: Review of Churches Recommended for Full Membership

- A. Mission Churches to be Extended-n/a
- B. Candidates for Sponsorship
 - i. n/a
- C. Seating of Candidate Churches: n/a
- D. Oath for New Members and Presbytery/Prayer

Break

4. Session Three: Committee, Minister's, and Mission's Reports

- A. Report from Ordination Examination Committee-n/a
- B. Minister's Reports
 - i. Council Minister report
 - ii. Presbytery Minister report
- C. Mission Reports
 - i. SRS report-Eric Sauder, Jeff Harlow
 - ii. Prayer for SRS

5. Session Four: Other Business

- A. Old Business: Presbytery Discussion Topics (as time allows)
 - i.
 - ii.

B. New Business

- i. Voting for Presbytery Delegates to Council

(Under the CREC Constitution Article IV Section B Subsection 2, the Council members from each of your respective Presbyteries must be seated as Presbytery delegates during the meeting immediately following the Council meeting in Minneapolis). Presently, Tyndale's two delegates are Jeff Evans and Burke Shade, nominated and elected in 2008.

- ii. Discussion of Council Motions or Council itself.
- iii. Church planting committee discussion led by Brian Nolder

C. Place of meeting for next year:

- 6. Motion of Gratitude for Hosting Church**
- 7. Adjourn: 4:00 p.m., with Prayer**
- 8. Fellowship Meal with Redeemer Church, 5:30 p.m. at St. Mary's church building, 1203 Peace Street, Pella**
- 8. Presbytery Worship Service in Pella, 7:00 p.m. at 1203 Peace Street**
- 9. Evening Fellowship Time at either Nolder home or Peace Tree Brewery in Knoxville**

Saturday, September 29, 2012: Delegates travel home

[all time blocks opened with Psalm singing, and Presbytery ends with singing
Psalm leading: Tim Bushong
Parliamentarian: Brian Nolder
Secretary: Rob Davis]

5. One matter of protocol that I see regularly performed incorrectly may be worthy of an explanation and reminder - it concerns the matter of "moving the previous question" Lots of people think that if they just yell out "call the question" that you then just have to quit talking and vote. This is not the case and is a violation of a basic right of members of the assembly - the right to debate the issue in front of the assembly. "Calling the question" is actually an irregular form of an official form of motion called "Moving the Previous Question." No one should be allowed to make this motion unless they have been recognized by the moderator (chair) of the meeting, just as you would do for anyone seeking permission to speak (decently and in order). Once such a motion has been properly made, it requires a second, just like any other motion. Then it requires a separate vote, just like any other motion; however it is not debatable. You may be able to avoid an actual vote by asking (once the previous question has been moved and seconded) whether there is any objection to ending debate. If there is no objection then you simply declare that the motion for the previous question has passed and move on to an immediate vote on the matter that had been under debate. If there is objection to ending debate, then you must hold a separate vote on that matter and it takes a two-thirds majority to pass a previous question motion (called cloture). Failing two-thirds, debate must be allowed to continue. One mistake that is often made is to hold a vote on the cloture motion and the delegates think the vote is being taken on the underlying question. So we need to make sure that, if the situation arises, we make it clear what we are voting on; whether it be cloture or the underlying motion. The two take separate votes.