

**Press Release of Regional Synod West
November 3, 2009, Abbotsford, British Columbia**

1. Dr. R. C. Janssen, chairman of the convening church of Abbotsford, called the delegates to order and led in opening devotions.
2. The credentials were examined by the convening church and found to be in good order. The following delegates were in attendance:
 - a. From Classis Manitoba: Ministers: R. denHollander, A.J. Pol.; Elders: R. Buist; W. Raap.
 - b. From Classis Alberta: Ministers: R. Aasman, J. P. Kalkman; Elders: M. Tams, J. VanVeen.
 - c. From Classis Pacific East: Ministers: R. Schouten, W. Wielenga; Elders: C. Dehaas and B. Meerstra.
 - d. From Classis Pacific West: H. Alkema, J. Visscher; Elders: H. Stel. A. VanDyke.
3. The following brothers were chosen as officers of Synod: as chairman, Rev. R. Aasman; as vice-chairman, Rev. R. Schouten and as clerk, Dr. A.J. Pol.
4. Regional Synod was constituted. Dr. Janssen was appointed to serve Synod as advisor.
5. An appeal was received from br. H. Voorhorst against a judgment of Classis Pacific West of October 7, 2008. Synod decided to not accede to this appeal. Br. A. VanDyke abstained from voting as he is an elder in the church of which the appellant is a member.
6. An appeal was received from Rev. R. Boersema against a judgment of Classis Pacific West of October 6, 2009. This appeal was sustained.
7. The Deputies of Regional Synod reported that they had attended Classis Pacific West of October 6, 2009, at which Candidate Mr. Ryan DeJonge underwent a peremptory examination. Br. DeJonge sustained his exam and the deputies report that they could give concurring advice.
8. The church for auditing the books of the Treasurer reported that they had audited the books of the Treasurer for the period from October 11 to October 20, 2009 and found everything to be in order.
9. Appointments.
 - a. Regional Synod Treasurer: br. J. Moedt.
 - b. Church for Auditing the books of the Treasurer: Taber.
 - c. Church for the Archives: Providence CanRC Edmonton.
 - d. Church for the inspection of the Archives: Immanuel CanRC of Edmonton.
 - e. Deputies of Regional Synod:
 - i. Classis Alberta: Rev. R. Aasman; Rev. J. Louwse (1st alternate); Rev. W. Slomp (second alternate).
 - ii. Classis Manitoba: Dr. A.J. Pol; Rev. P.H. Holtvluwer (1st alternate); Rev. J. Poppe (2nd alternate).
 - iii. Classis Pacific East: Rev. W. Wielenga; C. Bouwman (1st alternate); Rev. R. Ijbema (second alternate).
 - iv. Classis Pacific West: Dr. J Visscher; A. Souman (1st alternate); J. Slaa (2nd alternate).
 - f. Delegates to General Synod:

- i. Ministers: R. Aasman, P. H. Holtvluwer, J. Louwerse, A.J. Pol, R. Schouten, J. Visscher. Alternates: C. Bouwman, W. Wielenga, J. Poppe and W. Slomp, in that order.
 - ii. Elders: C. Dehaas, R. Klaver, J. Kuik, W. Raap, A. VanDyke, W. Weidenhammer; Alternates: D. Schouten, L. Toet, J. VanLaar and H. Stel, in that order.
 - g. Remuneration for lost wages for delegates: Maximum of \$200.00 per day and a maximum of \$1000.00 per week. Mileage: .45 per km.
 - h. Nominated for the Board of Governors of the Theological College: R. Aasman; alternates: A. Souman and T. Lodder, in that order.
10. Arrangements for the next Regional Synod: Convening church: Edmonton Immanuel;
Date: November 2, 2010.
11. Question Period was held.
12. Censure according to Article 34, Church Order was considered unnecessary.
13. The Acts were read and adopted. The Press Release was approved.
14. The chairman led in closing devotions.