

Press Release for Classis Pacific East of the Canadian Reformed Churches  
March 10, 2009 in Abbotsford, BC

The meeting was called to order by D. Vanderhorst of the church at Abbotsford. Those assembled sang from Psalm 16, and Psalm 25 was read from Scripture. Prayer was offered up. The delegates were welcomed.

The delegates from the church at Yarrow reported that the credentials were in good order, with all the churches duly represented. Classis was constituted. R. IJbema was appointed chairman; B. Wielenga, vice-chairman; and R. Schouten, clerk. The chairman thanked the convening church for the preparations made for the meeting. It was remembered that the church at Abbotsford is awaiting the arrival of Rev. R.C. Janssen in the summer; and Rev. J. Moesker has received a call from the Canadian Reformed Church at Owen Sound, ON. The agenda was adopted.

Correspondence was received from the Western Classis of the Reformed Church in the United States in which Rev. T. Gruggett sent greetings on behalf of the RCUS classis. Rev. J. Moesker reported that he had sent greetings to the last Western Classis. Visits were reported, and received with thankfulness, to the churches at Aldergrove, Chilliwack, Lynden, Vernon, and Yarrow. Report was received from the classis treasurer, and a good report from the church auditing the books of the treasurer (Vernon). The church at Yarrow reported that the archives (kept by the church at Abbotsford) were found to be in good order.

The chairman asked the questions as required by Article 44 of the Church Order (re the ministry of the office bearers, the decisions of the major assemblies, and the proper government of the church), to which each church responded. Responses were positive to the first two questions. One church asked for some advice in a matter of liturgy.

The church at Aldergrove was appointed to convene the next classis on June 9, with September 1 as the alternate date. Officers were suggested for next classis. Various other appointments were made. Question period was not made use of. Under censure according to Article 34 of the Church Order, the chairman could conclude that all members of classis conducted themselves in a Christian and orderly manner at the meeting.

The Press Release was read and approved for publication in the *Church News* and on the website of the churches. A copy will also be sent to *Clarion*. The Acts of Classis were read and adopted. The assembly sang again from Psalm 16 and the chairman led in thanksgiving and prayer. The meeting was closed.

For classis,  
B. Wielenga