

Classis Pacific West Contracta
at Willoughby Heights
June 14, 2016

PRESS RELEASE

1. On behalf of the convening church, Rev. Anthon Souman welcomed those gathered for the assembly. Brother Souman read Ephesians 2, we sang Psalm 33:1,2, and he led in prayer.
2. The credentials were found to be in good order. The churches at Cloverdale, Maranatha-Surrey and Willoughby were each represented by two delegates. Rev. Ryan deJonge was present and welcomed as well.
3. Classis was declared constituted.
4. Appointed as executive were Rev. Anthon Souman as chairman, Rev. Theo Lodder as vice-chairman and Rev. Ben Schoof as clerk.
5. The agenda was adopted.
6. Correspondence was received
 - a) from the Canadian Reformed Church at Smithers regarding the release of her missionary in Prince George, Rev. Jim Witteveen
 - i) Cover letter and related documents from the Canadian Reformed Church at Smithers, including:
 - ii) Letter of call from the Canadian Reformed Church at Aldergrove to Pastor Jim Witteveen for the work of mission in Brazil
 - iii) Letter of acceptance from Pastor Jim Witteveen
 - iv) Letter from Aldergrove indicating it agrees to take full responsibility for Pastor Jim Witteveen and his family as of July 1, 2016.
 - v) Certificate of release from the Canadian Reformed Church at Smithers
Classis approved this release and the certificate of release from classis was signed by the executive. All the documentation will be sent back to Smithers by registered mail.
 - b) from the Canadian Reformed Church at Langley for the release of one of her pastors, Rev. Ryan de Jonge
 - i) Cover letter and documents from the Canadian Reformed Church at Langley, including:
 - ii) Letter of call from the Free Reformed Church at Armadale, Western Australia to Rev. Ryan de Jonge for the work of mission in Papua, New Guinea
 - iii) Letter of acceptance from Pastor Ryan de Jonge
 - iv) Letter from Langley indicating that the Free Reformed Church at Armadale agrees to take full responsibility for Pastor Ryan deJonge and his family as of July 1, 2016
 - v) Certificate of release from the Canadian Reformed Church at Langley
Classis approved this release and the certificate of release from classis was signed by the executive. All the documentation will be returned to Langley by hand of Pastor deJonge.
7. Personal Question Period was held.
8. The chairman thanked the delegates for their good cooperation, as per Art. 34 CO.
9. The Acts were adopted and the Press Release was approved.
10. The chairman requested brother Lodder to close in prayer. The meeting was then closed.

Theo Lodder, clerk of classis at the time