

Press Release of Classis Ontario West March 21, 2018, convened by the Pilgrim Canadian Reformed Church of London.

On behalf of the convening church, br Peter Engbers opened the meeting in the usual Christian manner. Rev. John Ferguson of the OPC Presbytery of Michigan and Ontario is welcomed as a fraternal delegate.

The delegates from London reported that all the churches were duly represented by two delegates. Classis Ontario West was declared constituted and the executive took their positions. Rev. Ken Kok served as chairman, Rev. Jeff Poort as clerk, and Rev. John Louwse as vice-chairman. The agenda was adopted. Question period according to article 44 of the Church Order was held.

A letter from the Pilgrim Canadian Reformed Church of London is received, in which the consistory presented a proposal to the churches regarding a brother in their congregation, Dr. Jeff Temple, whom they are recommending to the ministry according to Article 8 of the Church Order. This proposal from the consistory is accepted by the classis and will be presented to Regional Synod East for their further consideration.

A report for ecclesiastical examinations from the church of Glanbrook is received and the proposed changes to the regulations are adopted.

Rev. Ferguson, fraternal delegate from Covenant Komoka OPC was given the opportunity to address classis and Rev. Ken Kok responded in kind.

Church visitations reports for Grace-Kerwood, Providence-Hamilton, Ancaster, Grand Rapids, Trinity-Glanbrook, Pilgrim-London and Ebenezer-Chatham were received with thankfulness.

The Church of Ancaster was appointed as the convening church for the next classis, scheduled to be held May 23, 2018.. The suggested executive: chairman, Rev. John Louwerse, vice-chairman, Rev. Jeff Poort and clerk, Rev. John Ludwig.

The following brothers were appointed to serve as delegates for Regional Synod East May 16, 2018 convened by Smithville Canadian Reformed Church:

Ministers primary delegates: Revs Ken Kok and Jeff Poort

alternate delegates: Revs John Ludwig and Rodney Vermeulen.

Elders primary delegates: Elders Keith Sikkema and Ben Harsevoort

alternate delegates: Elders John VanMiddlekoop and John Ludwig.

Opportunity was given for personal questions. Censure was deemed unnecessary. The acts and press release was deferred to the executive and the assembly concluded in the usual Christian manner.

J.D.Louwerse

Vice-chairman at that classis.