

Press Release of Classis Alberta of March 10, 2020

The meeting was opened by the convening church (Neerlandia South) with Scripture reading, prayer and singing. Various matters of memorabilia were mentioned in prayer. Credentials were found to be in good order and all the delegates were present. The suggested brothers were appointed to the executive. The agenda was adopted.

The following reports were received with thankfulness: the inspection of the Classis archives, the contact with the provincial government, the Classis treasurer, and the inspection of the books of the treasurer. Church visitation reports for two churches were read and received with thankfulness.

Classis was informed that Devon Canadian Reformed Church is scheduled to be instituted on March 15, 2020. Immanuel CanRC was appointed to represent Classis at the official opening. Rev. J. VanSpronsen was appointed counsellor. Regular pulpit supply is granted.

Question period according to CO article 44 was held. All the churches affirmed that the ministry of the office bearers is being continued and that the decisions of the major assemblies are being honoured. No Church requested the judgement or help of classis for the proper government of the church.

A proposal from Calgary CanRC was adopted to change the Classis regulations to extend invitations to churches in Alberta with whom we have ecclesiastical fellowship and formal ecclesiastical relationship at a federative level to send an observer to Classis.

Classis appointed St. Albert CanRC to convene the next Classis (suggested date: June 9, 2020; alternate date: Sept 8, 2020).

Opportunity for personal questions was given.

The chairman judged that Christian censure was not necessary. The Acts and Press Release were read and approved. The meeting was closed in a Christian manner.

Rev. T. Vandergaag,

Vice-chairman at the time