

Press Release of Regional Synod East – Guelph-Living Word - November 8, 2023.

The meeting of the delegates was called to order in the Guelph - Living Word building by Rev Jeff Poort. He led in opening devotions and examined the credentials and found them to be in good order. Regional Synod East was declared constituted. The following brothers serve as chairman – Rev. John Ludwig, as vice-chairman – Rev. John Louwse, as clerk – Rev. John Van Woudenberg.

The chairman thanked the convening church for the work done in preparation of Regional Synod. The agenda was adopted. Regional Synod East entered into closed session to deal with an appeal. After discussion, Synod answered the appeal.

Regional Synod received with thankfulness the treasury report. The proposed assessment of \$ 5.00 per communicant member is adopted. Each church should send this assessment to its classis treasurer (who will then forward this the treasury church of Regional Synod East.) Regional Synod received the reports from deputies that gave concurring advice on the retirements of Revs. M.H. VanLuik and E. Kampen. Regional Synod discharged the deputies appointed by the previous Regional Synod.

The following appointments were made:

The Treasury Church for Regional Synod East: Grassie - Covenant.

The Church for the Inspection of the books of the treasury: Lincoln - Vineyard.

Deputies ad Article 48 C.O:

From Classis Central Ontario for Classis Northern Ontario and Classis Niagara	Rev. Clarence Vandervelde; First alternate: Rev. Anthony Roukema Second alternate: Rev. Ian Wildeboer
From Classis Northern Ontario For Classis Central Ontario and Classis Western Ontario	Rev. Marc Jagt; First alternate: Rev. Theo Wierenga; Second alternate: Rev. Jeff Poort
From Classis Niagara for Classis Central Ontario and Classis Ontario West	Rev. Dick Wynia; First alternate: Rev. Rodney Vermeulen Second alternate: Rev. Rolf DenHollander
From Classis Ontario West for Classis Northern Ontario and Classis Niagara	Rev. John Louwse First alternate: Rev. Ken Kok Second alternate: Rev. John VanWoudenberg

The Church to maintain the archives: Toronto - Bethel.

The Church to inspect the archives: Brampton - Grace.

The Church to convene the next Regional Synod on November 13, 2024: Hamilton
- Providence.

Question period was not used. The chairman judged that censure was not necessary. The Acts were adopted and press release was approved. The chairman led in closing devotions and declared Regional Synod East closed.