



Our Mission

Classis BCNW exists to encourage, equip, and empower congregations and ministries to bear witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ and seek first God's Kingdom.

The Values that Shape our Work, Witness, and Life Together

- **Prayerful Dependence on God:** Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we trust God to lead and provide for us as we engage in ministry together.
- **Authentic Community:** Intentionally sharing life and story, we build each other up and encourage one another to live lives worthy of the calling we've received.
- **Disciples Making New Disciples:** Recognizing that the church's main calling is to make disciples of Jesus, we encourage one another, our congregations, and the ministries we represent to be faithful to God's mission and creative in living it out
- **Leadership Development:** Through funding, training and support, we develop, commission, and equip new and existing leaders.
- **Covenantal Relationships:** Committing ourselves to each other as God has committed himself to us, we support the work of classis and the ministry of the CRCNA.

Agenda for Session 76

Tuesday, March 5, 2019 @ 1:00 pm & Wednesday March 6, 2019 @ 8:30 am

Location: New Westminster CRC, 8255 13th Avenue, Burnaby, BC

I. OPENING

A. Executive:

President: Rev. Joe Ellis Vice-President: Rev. Trevor Vanderveen
Stated Clerk: Mr. Andy de Ruyter Recording Secretary: Mrs. Kathy Smith

B. Time Schedule:

Tuesday

1:00 – Opening Session
2:00 – Refreshment Break
3:20 – Session
5:30 – Dinner Break
6:30 – Session
7:00 – Workshop
8:30 – Adjournment

Wednesday

8:30 – Opening Worship / Regional Breakouts
9:45 – Session
10:15 – Refreshment Break
10:35 – Session
12:00 – Lunch Break
12:45 – Session
(Same as Tuesday, until agenda complete)

C. Values:

1. The Value of Prayerful Dependence on God is central to the other Values and guides everything we do at this classis meeting.
2. The Value of Leadership Development is being highlighted at this classis meeting.

II. PRAYERFUL DEPENDENCE ON GOD

- A. Welcome, Praise and Worship
- B. Roll Call and/or Sign-up Sheets for Delegates as per Credentials
- C. Recite in unison the “Affirmation of Reformed Doctrine and Life”
- D. First-time Delegates Sign in Agreement with the “Covenant for Officebearers”

III. COVENANTAL RELATIONSHIPS

- A. Committees for Pre-Advice to Classis
 1. Overtures: Prince George CRC and CMIC member Rev. Ken Vander Horst
 2. Expenses: Victoria CCC and Stated Clerk
 3. Credentials: Smithers CRC and CMIC members Rev. David Salverda and Mr. Vic Chen
 4. Minutes: Stated Clerk, Secretary of CMIC, Classis Executive
 5. Standing Nominations Committee: CMIC



- B. Classis Administration
 - 1. Minutes of Classis Meeting, October 2 & 3, 2018 are presented for information: *Meeting Documents zip file att. 1*
 - 2. Stated Clerk / CMIC Report: Mr. Andy de Ruyter, *page 6 of this agenda*
 - 3. Treasurers Report: Mr. David Pel
 - 4. AGM of the Corporation (March Meeting): CMIC / Stated clerk: Agenda and Minutes of the 2018 AGM, for the Corporation AGM meeting on March 5th, 2019: *Meeting Documents zip file att. 2*
 - 5. Ministry Shares (October Meeting): CMIC / Stated Clerk

- C. Round Table Discussion on the “Report on Funding Classically Supported Ministries”: *Meeting Documents zip file att. 3*

- D. Reports (* = a report can be found in the Ministry Reports zip file):
 - 1. Council of Delegates / Mr. Andy de Ruyter
 - 2. The King’s University / Dr. Melanie Humphreys *
 - 3. Canadian Ministries Director *
 - 4. World Renew *
 - 5. Diaconal Ministries *
 - 6. Redeemer University *
 - 7. Calvin Seminary *
 - 8. Calvin College *
 - 9. Faith Formation
 - 10. Resonate Global Missions
 - 11. Disability Regional Advocate
 - 12. Cascade Christian Counselling
 - 13. Synod Delegate Report (October Meeting)

IV. AUTHENTIC COMMUNITY

- A. Tuesday Evening Workshop on Discernment, led by Pastor Wilma van der Leek, BC LDN
- B. Wednesday Morning Time of Sharing and Prayer
- C. Wednesday Morning Regional Breakout Time focusing on Leadership Development
- D. Reports (* = a report can be found in the Ministry Reports zip file.)
 - 1. Church Visitor Reports
 - 2. Regional Pastor Reports
 - a. Lower Mainland: Rev. Andrew Beunk
 - b. North Central B.C.: Rev. Joel Ringma
 - c. Vancouver Island: Rev. Henry Jonker
 - 3. Church Counselor Reports (currently no vacant churches)
 - 4. Oversight Committees
 - a. downtown friends
 - b. Immanuel CRC
 - 5. Safe Church Team / Faye Martin *
- E. Church Matters: correspondence, requests, advice, notices, etc.



- F. Church Order Matters Requiring Synodical Deputies: one Commissioned Pastor job description

V. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

- A. Commissioned Pastor Examination / Angela Elliott, Pastor of Faith Formation, Nelson Ave. Community Church; Job Description (approved at last classis meeting) attached FYI: *Meeting Documents zip file att. 4*
See Church Order, Articles 23 and 23-a for information on the office of Commissioned Pastors and the examination of Commissioned Pastors:
https://www.crcna.org/sites/default/files/2018_church_order.pdf
1. Examiner: Rev. Andrew Aukema
 2. Sermon Evaluator: Rev. Sam Lee (copy of sermon to be distributed mid-February)
- B. Commissioned Pastor Job Description Approval: Chaplain (Spiritual Health Facilitator/Practitioner-Residential Care & Chaplain at Pinegrove Place); The Tapestry Richmond calling church.
1. Pinegrove Chaplaincy Contract (job description): *Meeting Documents zip file att. 5*
 2. Spiritual Health Facilitator (job description): *Meeting Documents zip file att. 6*
 3. Letter of Provisional Endorsement from The Office of Chaplaincy & Care Ministry of the CRCNA: *Meeting Documents zip file att. 7*
- C. Reports (* = a report can be found in the Ministry Reports zip file)
1. BC LDN / Rev. Andrew Aukema & Pastor Wilma van der Leek *
 2. CMLT
 3. SFC / Mr. Vic Chen

VI. DISCIPLES MAKING NEW DISCIPLES

- A. Reports (* = a report can be found in the Ministry Reports zip file)
1. Ministry to Seafarers / Rev. Gary Roosma *
 2. Chaplain and Refugee Support Mobilizer *
 3. Northern B.C. Campus Ministry *
 4. International Student Ministries, New Westminster CRC
 5. Kwantlen Ministries, The Tapestry Richmond
 6. Classis Youth Champion
- B. Future Ministry Developments

VII. CLOSING SESSION

- A. The President:
1. To Inquire of Delegates/Team Members/Executive: if all business has been completed
 2. Closing Announcements and Notifications
 - a. Next meeting of classis: October 1 & 2, 2019 at The Tapestry, Richmond
 - b. Next Officers of classis: President, Rev. Trevor Vanderveen
Vice-President, Rev. David Salverda
 3. Closing Remarks



- B. Vice-President
 1. Thank all those who participated (president, secretary, kitchen help, host church volunteers, etc.)
 2. Lead in closing devotions
- C. President to declare classis adjourned

NOTES:

1. **Meeting documents** not attached to this agenda can be found in zip file “Meeting Documents, att. 1-8”, which was emailed to all churches and delegates along with this agenda.
2. **Ministry reports** can be found in zip file “Ministry Reports, alphabetized”, which was emailed to all churches and delegates along with this agenda. These reports are sent separately to make it easier for churches to share these reports with the members of their congregations.
3. **Church Visitor Assignments:** *page 13 of this agenda and zip file att. 8*
4. **List of Classical Committees, Teams, and Denominational Representatives:** *page 14 of this agenda*
5. **Acronym List:** *page 17 of this agenda*

IMPORTANT DELEGATE INFORMATION:

The following documents can be found on the “Meeting” page of the classis website (<https://www.classisbcnw.ca/meeting/>):

- **Classis Meeting Registration Form:** All delegates are required to complete this online form no later than February 15 to allow time to arrange meals, accommodation, and transportation.
- **Classical Credentials Form:** All churches must be complete this online form no later than February 15.
- **Expense Claim Form:** All expense claims need to be accompanied with receipts for travel, meals, mileage, etc.
- A **Classis Meeting Orientation Page** with information for new and returning delegates.
- The **Classis Rules of Procedure**.



Covenantal Relationships Centering on Prayerful Dependence on God
Classis British Columbia North - West
Stated Clerk / Classical Ministries Interim Committee Report
Session 76 – March 5th & 6th, 2019

Thank you to the council and members of the New Westminster CRC for their hospitality in hosting us for this March 2019 session of Classis BCNW. Our theme for this classis will focus on Leadership Development from our 5 values that shape our work, witness and lives together.

As usual, our time together will be busy with a full agenda. A commissioned pastor examination, a commissioned pastor job description to consider, a workshop on discernment led by Pastor Wilma Van der Leek from LDN, Regional breakout time looking at developing leaders led by Pastor Al Chu, a round table discussion on ministry funding from criteria letter sent to all churches and ministries, our yearly AGM for the corporation of classis, review the Going Forward Team notes, nominations, ministry reports (both written and presentations), church visits, plus all the usual business that classis needs to take care of.

Administrative / Pastoral Items:

- * Expenses for the October 2018 Classis meeting were \$10,980.66 – higher costs attributed to having to hire caterers and extra lodging expenses.
- * CMIC has appointed Rev. Joe Ellis to serve as chair for this classis meeting and Rev. Trevor Vanderveen to serve as vice-chair.
- * CMIC thanks delegates and churches for using the new online credential / delegate registration forms, paying attention to keeping travel costs down by early selection of delegates to ensure cost effective air flights, carpooling from the Island, and offering their homes to host an out of town delegate.
- * CMIC continues to look at alternate ways of hosting classis meetings as most of the lower mainland churches are unable to continue to host. The Tapestry Richmond has agreed to host the October 2019 meeting of classis and arrangements are being made for the 2020 meetings.
- * All ministries, classis teams, standing committee and denominational reports are sent separately in a zip file in PDF format and will be numbered according to their place in the agenda and agenda schedule.
- * A classis agenda schedule will be made available to all delegates shortly before classis meets outlining how the classis agenda will move along.
- * CMIC will meet in the AGM as the Board of the Richmond CRC in early March 2019 to continue overseeing the sale of the property to The Tapestry.
- * The classis treasurer will review the financial statements dated December 31st, 2018 and ministry shares received.

The Financial Statements dated December 31st, 2018 will be sent out in late February to all the churches and delegates.



- * A new two-year church visiting schedule was posted in March 2018 and all churches are reminded to do their church visits by March 2020. The new schedule can be found on page 13 in this agenda, in the zip files, or on the classis website under the Resources page.
- * A Canadian Stated Clerk and leaders meeting was held at the Canadian offices of the CRCNA in Burlington, Ontario on January 22nd and 23rd. Andy de Ruyter and Kathy Smith attended on behalf of our classis. Meeting notes are available upon request.
- * CMIC continues with the process of finding replacements for 2 CMIC positions (Island and Lower Mainland reps). It is hoped nominees will be presented at the March meeting of classis.
- * CMIC recommends to classis to appoint Rev. Ken Vander Horst as the next alternate stated clerk. Pastor Ken is a member of the CMIC (Northern rep) and has served as a stated clerk for Classis Rocky Mountain in the past.
- * Our yearly AGM for the corporation of classis will take place during this meeting of classis. Meeting agenda and minutes of last year's AGM will be included in the classis agenda package.
- * CMIC has appointed an oversight committee to continue in discussions with Rev. David Cheung and the Immanuel CRC on items presented at the October 2018 meeting. Committee members are Rev. Andrew Beunk (lead), Rev. Joe Schouten, Rev. Ken Vander Horst and Mrs. Laura Fieber. The committee will make a report with recommendations to the upcoming meeting of classis.
- * CMIC is recommending the following change to the transportation policy in the classis ROP (change in italics):
Classical delegates will be reimbursed for travel and loss of wages up to the amount determined by classis and at their request. *Airline transportation should be used for long-distance travel; classis will pay the cost for seat selection. If a traveler elects to drive for long-distance travel, the mileage/car rental reimbursement should not exceed the average cost of an airplane ticket to that destination. Please consider car rental and carpooling to reduce cost.* Request for reimbursement for expenses to be made to the Classical Treasurer, by means of the expense committee, on the first day of the meeting of classis. For wage loss, all requests to be submitted to the stated clerk.

Classis Website www.classisbcnw.ca

CMIC notes our updated mobile friendly classis website, which is a big improvement over the original. Much thanks to Mrs. Kathy Smith (our soon to be new stated clerk!) who did the bulk of the work in the changeover and updating all the material. CMIC encourages the churches to make good use of this resource for information needed!

Canadian National Gathering May 2019 in Edmonton.

Our classis has been allocated 11 delegate spots for the Canadian Gathering Event. Following consultations with the churches and an application process, 11 people applied to attend and were chosen to represent our classis.

Classis BCNW Delegates:

Barb Bandstra	Smithers CRC
Sharon Bandstra	Terrace CRC
Willem Colyn	Alberni Valley CRC



Susan Cronmiller	Nanaimo CCC
Lori Fieber	Nelson Ave CCC
Dena Nicolola	Vancouver 1 st CRC
Ashley Patton	Victoria CRC
Kathy Smith	Maple Ridge CRC
Nellie Stadt	Victoria CCC
Anita Struyk	Terrace CRC
George Veenstra	Smithers CRC

A report and update will be presented by one of the delegates to the Gathering at the October 2019 classis meeting.

Reports approved for this session of classis:

Kings University – Dr. Melanie Humphreys
 Leadership Development Network: Pastor Wilma van der Leek
 Seafarers Ministry: Rev. Gary Roosma
 Council of Delegates – Andy deRuyter
 Student Fund Committee – Vic Chen
 Safe Church Team – Faye Martin

Ministry to Seafarers

CMIC reviewed a copy of an overture Classis BCSE will be dealing with at its March 2019 meeting concerning the funds from the sale of the ministry house. The overture reads as follows:

The Council of Fleetwood Christian Reformed Church overtures Classis BCSE to: A) Continue to allow Classis BCNW to hold the funds from the sale of the ministry house in trust for the continued work of the Ministry to Seafarers, as long as that ministry continues. B) Allow the returns earned on those funds to be used to offset current ministry costs. Grounds:

- 1. The original funds for the purchase of the ministry house were provided by the Classis, with the intent that those funds support the Ministry to Seafarers and so ought to be continued for that use.*
- 2. The realized increase in value of the house is a result of the placement of the Chaplain in that location and can be viewed as God's provision for the continued work of the Ministry to Seafarers.*

It is the opinion of the CMIC that Classis BCNW should support this by having its own motion recorded in the minutes for any future use of these funds and recommends the following motion to classis for their consideration:

That classis instruct its treasurer to continue to hold in trust the funds from the sale of the ministry house for the continued work of the Ministry to Seafarers for as long as that ministry continues but to allow annual returns earned from those funds to be used to offset current ministry costs. Any use of the principle funds in future must be approved by both Classes BCNW and BCSE in consultation with the Ministry to Seafarers Ministry.

Please note for the two following items, the difference in the examination process for commissioned pastors and those seeking ordination as ministers of the word. Please refer to church order article 23 & 24 and their supplements to note the differences! (Pages 40 to 46 of the 2018 edition of the church order. Can be found on-line as well if you don't have a copy on the denominational website, www.CRCNA.org)

Commissioned Pastor Examinations:

Ms. Angela Elliot has accepted the call from Nelson Ave CCC to be their Pastor of Faith Formation. (The job description for this ministry was approved by classis and synodical deputies at the March 2019 meeting of classis and is included in the Meeting Documents zip file for your information.)

All documentation required by church order for this examination has been submitted and is in order. CMIC has appointed:

Rev. Andrew Aukema to serve as examiner for knowledge of scripture, Reformed doctrine, standards of the church and church order and practical matters regarding Christian testimony etc.

Rev. Sam Lee and an elder team from The Tapestry Mundy Park will serve as sermon evaluators. Examination will take place on the Wednesday morning session, March 6th, 2019 at approx 10:30 am.

Commissioned Pastor Job Description approval sought.

The Tapestry Richmond has submitted documents seeking approval for a commissioned pastor position for Chaplain of Spiritual Health Facilitator / Practitioner for Residential Care and Chaplaincy at Pinegrove Place.

All documents pertaining to this position are included with this agenda package.

These documents will also be submitted to the synodical deputies for their consideration.

Financial matters:

With the changing of the stated clerk, it was determined that new computer equipment was needed as the current laptop, programs, external back up were out of date and the classis laptop was not functioning up to par.

A new laptop, programs, a docking station and external hard drive for backups were purchased for the new stated clerk at a cost of approx \$1,000.00. This will ensure classis is well served for the next number of years with good working equipment which is so vital to the work of the stated clerk.

CMIC also notes the 2nd installment for the Bridge App was due in January 2019, \$5100.00 and was paid from the B.C. Ministry Fund (approved by classis in Oct 2017)

Classical and Denominational Ministry Shares for 2019 (Repeated here FYI)

Classis BCNW Ministry Share per Member (Approved by Classis October 2018)		Denominational Ministry Share per Member	
Ministry to Seafarers	9.45	BTGMI	44.41
Leadership Development Network	8.00	Calvin College	1.80



Student Fund	12.00	Area Colleges (Kings)	71.47
Chr. Ref. Campus Ministry in B.C.	15.00	Calvin Seminary	36.27
Classis Expense Fund	15.00	Congregational Services	82.44
The Tapestry-Kwantlen Chaplain	1.00	Resonate Global Missions	108.52
Safe Church Team	3.00	Synodical Admin. Services	39.19
Chaplain and Refugee Support Mobilizer	4.00	Special Assistance Fund	3.73
	\$67.45		\$387.83

Classical expense fund includes funding for classis meetings, ongoing administrative expenses, stipends, \$500 for CMLT, \$500 for S/C Gathering and \$400 for Youth Champions Gathering. Funding for The Bridge App (\$5100.00 per year for two years) will come from the BC Ministry Fund (schedule 10 in the financials) as approved by classis.

Please note that 50% of classis ministry shares are due by June 30th each year.

Classical Pulpit Supply

Duncan CRC shared with us the good news that Rev. Kevin VanderVeen from Ontario has accepted their call to be their new pastor and was installed in early February. As a result all classical pulpit supply for Duncan was ended as of Feb 1, 2019.

* Ministerial credentials for Rev. Kevin VanderVeen from Covenant CRC in St. Catharines Ont., Classis Niagara, have been received, processed and sent to the council and counselor of Duncan CRC, where Rev. VanderVeen was installed on Feb 3rd, 2019. Rev. Henry Jonker represented Classis at the installation service and spoke a word of welcome on behalf of classis.

Classical Ministry Funding Review Team – Round Table Discussion

CMIC noted and reviewed the work done by the team reviewing classical ministry funding and the criteria letter with the proposal that was sent to all the church councils and current classical funded ministries for review and feedback.

A 1 hour session at the March 2019 classis meeting will be set aside for a round table discussion to help better understand the future of classical ministry funding and gather as much feedback as possible before making any future recommendations to the churches and classis. Feedback from all the church councils and ministries was due by the end of January 2019 and it is with that information the makeup of the round table discussion will be formatted.

Going Forward Team: Classis Renewal

CMIC reviewed the meeting notes from the Going Forward Team from November 21st, 2018. Team continues to look at classis renewal with the how, what and where of how we do classis meetings, process for candidate examination, possible regional classis meetings, agenda format and graphics, classis hosting, review of classis format surrounding the 5 values, themes, ministry reporting, video presentations etc.

CMIC considered two proposals from the Going Forward team.



1] Regional Meetings:

Agreed to propose to CMIC and classis to try this in Spring of 2020. This would be a one day meeting in each geographic area. Each meeting would follow basically the same administrative agenda to start and then look at localized issues and discussions. (i.e. local ministry support and participation, local issues that affect the churches from those areas, looking at how to become more involved in outreach with other churches and organizations etc.. note, these items were just mentioned for discussion at this point, final agenda items to be decided and approve by classis later)

** Although CMIC approves of the idea, it feels more work by the GFT in planning and recommendations needs to be worked out before this can be presented to classis for approval. Feedback from delegates and church councils on this idea would be most welcome!

2] Candidate & Commissioned Pastor Examinations

- Candidate & commissioned pastor examinations can take a lot of time. Organizing the 5 values around the rest of the agenda with so much time constraints is challenging.

Possible solutions:

* Extend the meeting time of classis when two or more examinations are needed. i.e. begin earlier on the Tuesday session with out of town delegates coming in on the Monday night. (This would increase overall costs).

* Do examinations by classis contracta. Depending where the candidate was from, chose a central location in one of the three geographic areas and hold the contracta there with delegates from the 2 outside areas attending by video conferencing. Logistics in regards to timing, synodical deputies, classis officials and executive in attendance would need to be worked out, but this is doable.

Following discussion, it is felt to recommend to CMIC and then classis that the 2nd option be tried first to see if this would help with time constraints.

Note: this would only be arranged in the case of there being two or more examinations requested. The current classis agenda can handle 1 examination, it is when there are two or more, that time constraints become an issue.

** It is the recommendation of the CMIC to classis that the second option noted above be tried the next time classis is asked to organize two or more examinations. Following such an event, this procedure would be carefully reviewed and recommendations would come to a future classis meeting on best steps forward for candidate / commissioned pastor examinations.

Synod 2019 change in 1st Minister Delegate

Rev. Joe Ellis, who was appointed by rotation as the minister delegate to Synod 2019 for our classis has informed the CMIC he is unable to attend. The appointed alternate, Rev. Ken Vander Horst is also not able to attend due to other commitments. The next number of names on the rotation list of ministers who have not been to a synod meeting for our classis were contacted by unfortunately, they also cannot attend due to scheduling conflicts.

Recommendation: Classis did elect at the October 2018 meeting an alternate for the fourth synod delegate position, which is the open delegate position (open to any ordained office).

CMIC therefore recommends to classis:



- 1) Rev. William Delleman (who was elected as the alternate to the open position) be appointed as the minister delegate to the 2019 meeting of Synod
- 2) The alternate positions for the minister and open delegate spots be referred to the classis nominations committee for possible appointments (if needed).

Nominations Committee Report:

Please review the Nominations Committee report and the need for nominees for an alternate deacon synodical delegate for 2019, Lower Mainland and Island reps for the CMIC, approval for the nominee for the alternate stated clerk's position, and other open positions.

CMIC functions and positions

As approved at the October 2018 classis meeting, Mrs. Kathy Smith will be the new classis stated clerk beginning her term at the conclusion of these March classis meetings. The CMIC will also see some new changes with three members retiring (Rev. David Salverda, Rev. Henry Numan and Mr. Andy DeRuyter) and two new members coming on board, as well as a new alternate stated clerk. (Nominees to be presented at the March meeting of classis.) Also, the current practices of having the stated clerk also serve as lead of the CMIC has been changed and will be now served by two separate persons. CMIC will elect a new lead at its first meeting following the classis meeting when the new members are in place.

Please do take note though, all classis correspondence, requests for information and all classis business should still be directed through the stated clerk.

Motion to approve the work of the CMIC and Stated Clerk

Andy de Ruyter: stated clerk / lead
Kathy Smith: secretary / alternate stated clerk
David Pel: Classis Treasurer
Vic Chen: Student Fund Committee Chair
Henry Numan: Lower Mainland Rep
David Salverda: Island Rep
Ken Vander horst: Northern Rep
Faye Martin: ex officio for SCT matters



Church Visitor Assignments for 2018-2020 Beginning March 1, 2018

The following church visits have been assigned.

Visits are to be completed by March 1, 2020.

CHURCH DOING THE VISIT	CHURCH BEING VISITED	DATE VISITED
Northern Churches:		
Houston CRC	Terrace CRC	
Prince George CRC	Telkwa Community Church	
Smithers CRC	Houston CRC	Nov. 13, 2018
Telkwa Community Church	Prince George CRC	
Terrace CRC	Smithers CRC	
Island Churches:		
Duncan CRC	Victoria CRC	
Nanaimo CCC	Victoria CCC	
Alberni Valley CRC, Port Alberni	Duncan CRC	
Victoria CCC	Alberni Valley CRC, Port Alberni	
Victoria CRC	Nanaimo CCC	
Lower Mainland Churches:		
Nelson Ave. CC, Burnaby	Immanuel CRC, Richmond	
New Westminster CRC, Burnaby	1 st CRC, Vancouver	
Maple Ridge CRC	New Westminster CRC, Burnaby	
Immanuel CRC, Richmond	The Tapestry, Richmond	
The Tapestry, Richmond	Maple Ridge CRC	
1 st CRC, Vancouver	Nelson Ave. CC, Burnaby	



APPOINTEES & COMMITTEES OF CLASSIS BCNW

CLASSIS COMMITTEES, TEAMS, AND PERSONNEL

STATED CLERK (S/C)

Mr. Andy de Ruyter	2019(3)	classisbcnw@shaw.ca
Alternate - Mrs. Kathy Smith	2019(1)	kathy.bcnw@outlook.com

CMIC - CLASSICAL MINISTRIES INTERIM COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Andy de Ruyter - S/C - Chair	2019(3)	classisbcnw@shaw.ca
Mrs. Kathy Smith - alt. S/C - Secretary	2019(1)	kathy.bcnw@outlook.com
Mr. Victor Chen – CMLT/SFC chair	2020(3)	
Mr. David Pel – Classis Treasurer	2020(8)	
Rev. Henry Numan - Lower Mainland rep	2019(2)	
Rev. David Salverda – Island rep	2019(2)	
Rev. Ken Vander Horst – Northern rep	2020(1)	
Ms. Faye Martin – SCT Coordinator	EX OFFICIO	

CLASSICAL TREASURER

Mr. David Pel	2020(8)	david@dpelcga.com
Mrs. Verney Kho - alternate	2021(2)	

CLASSIS AUDITOR

Mr. Fred Bosma	2021(9)	
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SCT - SAFE CHURCH TEAM COORDINATOR

Ms. Faye Martin		sfmartin@telus.net
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SCT – SAFE CHURCH TEAM CLASSIS REPRESENTATIVE

REGIONAL PASTORS

Rev. Joel Ringma	Northern Churches
Rev. Henry Jonker	Island Churches
Rev. Andrew Beunk	Lower-Mainland Churches

CHAPLAIN AND REFUGEE SUPPORT MOBILIZER

Pastor Dena Nicolai

CMLT - CLASSIS MINISTRY LEADERSHIP TEAM (BI-CLASSIS COMMITTEE WITH CLASSIS BCSE)

SFC - STUDENT FUND COMMITTEE

BCNW Members

Mr. Victor Chen – (Chair, SFC)	2020(3)
Rev. David Cheung (SFC)	2021(2)
Rev. Al Wu (SFC)	2020(1)



GFT - GOING FORWARD TEAM

Mrs. Kathy Smith – alt S/C – chair
Mr. Andy de Ruyter – S/C - secretary
Rev. Andrew Beunk
Rev. Albert Chu
Rev. Trevor Vanderveen

kathy.bcnw@outlook.com
classisbcnw@shaw.ca

LDN - B.C. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT NETWORK (bi-classis team)

Rev. Andrew Aukema BCNW chair / classis rep
Mr. Rick Garrison BCNW 2021(1)
Mrs. Wilma van der Leek Fraser Valley LDN Facilitator

MTS - MINISTRY TO SEAFARERS

Chaplain, Rev. Gary Roosma crcvanportchaplain@gmail.com
BCNW Members:
Mr. David Pel – Treasurer BCNW 2020(9)
Mr. Rens Slot 2019(2)
Mr. Steve Berkenpas 2021(2)

UNBC CAMPUS MINISTRY

Rev. Dr. Alan VanderWoerd, Chaplain alan@alabanza.ca

CLASSICAL LICENSURE

Dr. Neil Lettinga (250-964-7734) 9/19

SYNODICAL DEPUTY

Rev. Henry Jonker 2021(1)
Rev. Andrew Beunk - alternate 2021(1)

SIERRA LEONE BC PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE

Mr. Dave Meyer – Chair BCNW
Rev. Joel Ringma – Secretary BCNW

DENOMINATIONAL BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

COD – Council of Delegates: CRCNA

Mr. Andy de Ruyter 2021(2)

CCBOT - CALVIN COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mr. Richard Mast 2020(1)

CTS - CALVIN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Mr. Vic Chen 2022(2)



CRCPD - CHRISTIAN REFORMED CENTRE FOR PUBLIC DIALOGUE
Dena Nicolai 2020 (2)

DMC - DIACONAL MINISTRIES CANADA BOARD OF DIRECTORS / BCNW Rep
Mrs. Cindy Verbeek

DMC – REGIONAL DIACONAL MINISTRIES DEVELOPER
Mrs. Rachel Vroege

DISABILITY CONCERNS: REGIONAL DISABILITY ADVOCATE / B.C. Rep
Mrs. Caroline Short caroline.vanderloo@gmail.com

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE LIAISON
Mrs. Anne Kwantes 2019(4)

RGM – RESONATE GLOBAL MISSION: Western Canada Regional Mission Leader
Mr. Rich Braaksma

WORLD RENEW – Classis Rep
Dave Mayer 2020(1)

Revised October 3, 2018



**Christian Reformed Church in North America (CRCNA)
& Classis British Columbia North-West (Classis BCNW)
Acronym List**

ACRCMBC	Association for the Christian Reformed Campus Ministry in British Columbia (aka Christian Reformed Campus Ministry at UNBC)
BCSE	Classis British Columbia South-East
BOT	Board of Trustees
BTGMI	Back to God Ministries International (now part of the COD)
CC	Candidacy Committee (formerly Synodical Ministerial Candidacy Committee)
CDT	Church Development Team (classical)
CMIC	Classical Ministry Interim Committee
CMLT	Classis Ministry Leadership Team (formerly Classis Ministry Candidacy Committee)
COD	Council of Delegates
CO	Church Order (also CO Art. = Church Order Article)
CPJ	Citizens for Public Justice
CRCM	Christian Reformed Campus Ministry (see also ACRCMBC)
CRCPD	Christian Reformed Centre for Public Dialogue
CRHM	Christian Reformed Home Missions (now Resonate Global Missions)
CRWM	Christian Reformed World Missions (now Resonate Global Missions)
CTS	Calvin Theological Seminary, Grand Rapids MI
DMC	Diaconal Ministries Canada
DV	Deo Volente, Latin for “Lord Willing”
RGM	Resonate Global Missions
LDN	Leadership Development Network
M2/W2	Man-to-Man/Woman-to-Woman restorative ministry often within prisons
MSC	Moved, Seconded, Carried (shorthand in classis minutes)
OSJHA	Office of Social Justice and Hunger Action (denominational)
PCR	Pastor-Church Resources (denominational) formally: Pastor Church Relations
RMT	Regional Ministry Team
ROP	Rules of Procedure (classical)
SC	Stated Clerk (classical)
SCE	Sustaining Congregational Excellence
SCT	Safe Church Team
SFC	Student Fund Committee (classical)
SL	Sierra Leone (as in CRC in BC & SL)
SPE	Sustaining Pastoral Excellence
TKU	The King’s University, Edmonton AB
UNBC	University of Northern British Columbia, Prince George BC