Classical Ministries Committee

Mandate, Composition, Funding Principles

**MANDATE AND COMPOSITION OF THE CLASSICAL MINISTRIES COMMITTEE**

*Classis ROP, VI.B.2. (page 9)*

Classical Ministries Committee (CMC)

a. Mandate: The committee shall…

1) Steward the ministry share resources of classis, thereby ensuring:

1. Funding is sustainable into the future.
2. Funding is there to birth new ministries as the Holy Spirits prompts within the churches in our classis.

2) Provide oversight to the ministries classis supports by:

Reviewing ministries every three years via the Partnership Requests.

Receiving the regular minutes of each committee or board via the stated clerk.

Ensuring each ministry reports to classis at least annually.

3) Be the first step in approving new ministry requests, including new initiatives by churches approaching classis for funding assistance. The CMC will bring recommendations regarding new ministries to the CIC and classis for approval and ratification.

1. Approve (and assist in preparing, if needed) Partnership Requests with new and existing ministries, as per the “Classis BCNW Funding Principles” document, Appendix C.

~~5~~) Receive renewed Partnership Requests every three years and approve a new funding recommendation (if applicable), as per the “Classis BCNW Funding Principles” document, Appendix C.

6) Propose a classical ministry share for each ministry. Classis entrusts the CMC to make decisions, including ministry share requests, after consultation with the CIC. These will then be ratified by classis, rather than deciding the requests at a regular classis meeting. Note: Ministries can appeal their allocation directly to classis if they do not agree with the recommendation of the CMC.

7) Submit a written report of its actions and recommendations in time for the agenda of the fall classis meeting.

b. Membership shall consist of five members: The Chair, the Secretary, the Classical Treasurer, the stated clerk, and one at-large member. Membership terms are to be staggered, regional representation is to be a priority, and any conflict of interest is to be avoided. *(Classis Minutes, March 2020, 5.5.4.)*