

TO: Ministers and Elder Delegates

FROM: Office of the Stated Clerk

REASON: Minutes for the Winter Stated Session
of the Classis of Chicago.

DATE: Saturday, February 2, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

LOCATION: Christ Community Church
13400 Bell Road
Lemont, IL 60439

1. OPENING WORSHIP at 9:30 a.m. - Rev. Chad De Jager
2. ROLL CALL
3. GRANTING THE PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR TO GUESTS
GEN-19-W-1 *Recommendation to grant the privilege of the floor to the guests.*
Motion made, seconded and carried to grant the privilege of the floor to guests.
4. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ORDER OF THE DAY
 - a. Boundaries of the House
5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
GEN-19-W-2 *Recommendation to approve the minutes of the Fall Stated Session on October 20, 2018*
Motion made, seconded and carried to approve the minutes of the Fall Stated Session
6. APPOINTMENTS
 - a. Tellers
 - b. Other Appointments
7. REFERRALS
 - a. Requests for Excused Absences
GEN-19-W-3 *Recommendation to approve the requests for excused absences.*
Joseph Paglia
8. STATED CLERK'S REPORT ON ACTIONS ORDERED AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. PRESIDENT'S STATE OF THE CLASSIS REPORT

Lou Bury reported that it is a pleasure to work with the new Executive Team, and that our goals are transparency, accountability, and good communication. He also noted that the Team is looking forward to a season of revitalization and growth within the Classis.

10. REPORTS OF PERMANENT COMMITTEES

CONGREGATIONAL CARE TEAM– Rev. Chad De Jager, Team Leader
See Attached report

PASTORAL CARE TEAM – Bill Crowder, Team Leader – See Attached report
First bi-monthly check meeting held at Christ Community Church.
Next meeting at Stevens Restaurant.
Will meet with Pastor Mark Chen of The Taiwanese Church.
We have two to three new students coming under care.

STEWARDSHIP TEAM – James Even, Team Leader (See Attached Report)

GEN-19-W- 4 Motion made, seconded and carried to approve the 2019 Budget for the Classis of Chicago.

GEN-19-W- 5 Motion made, seconded and carried to waive payment of General Synod, Regional Synod and Classis of Chicago assessments by member churches for fiscal year 2019. General Synod assessments, Regional Synod assessments, and the Chicago

Classis operating budget will be paid with Classis reserves.

GEN-19-W- 6 – Motion made, seconded and carried to give annual \$15,000 grant to Camp Manitoqua.

GEN-19-W- 7 – Proposed Support for Stewardship recommendation for a more conservative investment posture that may include the Reformed Church Growth Fund.

12. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TEAM

Minutes are attached to the agenda and are for informational purposes only.

13.. Old Business

GEN-19-W- 8 "Status of Crossroads Community Church, Special Executive Team Report."

Lou Bury reported on the legal matter involving the Classis, Crossroads Church, and Rich Schuler.

15. NEW BUSINESS

GEN-19-W- 9 Motion made, seconded and carried to provide legal counsel for Jebamony Jebasingh.

GEN-19-W- 10 Motion made, seconded and carried to approve employment contract for Jebamony Jebasingh.

16. TIME AND LOCATION OF NEXT SESSION

Spring Stated Session: TBD

17. APPROVAL OF THE ROLL CALL

GEN-19-W- 12 *Recommendation to approve the Roll Call by signature.*

18. READING OF THE JOURNAL

GEN-19-W- 13 *Recommendation to authorize the Executive Team to approve the Reading of the Journal.*

19. ADJOURNMENT WITH WORSHIP

GEN-19-W- 14 *Recommendation to adjourn with prayer.*

20. CLOSING PRAYER – Rev. Chad De Jager