

Classis Iakota
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MINUTES
May 8, 2018
First Christian Reformed Church
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Art. 3432: Rev. Kyle De Young, the Chairperson for the day, calls the meeting to order, after which Rev. Cal Hoogendoorn leads in opening devotions.

Art. 3433: Presentation of Credentials and Roll Call

<u>Churches</u>	<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Deacons</u>
Corsica	Dan De Graff	Gordon Feenstra	Ron Groeneweg
Harrison	Gary Maas	Trent DeLange*	Dan Vanden Hoek*
Rock Rapids	Cliff Hoekstra	Les Netjes	
Rock Valley – Trinity	Henry Lengkeek*	Robert Boogerd	Jason De Groot*
Sioux Center—Amistad Cristiana	Eddy Olguin	Piet Koene	
Sioux Center – Bethel	John Lee	Howard Wilson*	
Sioux Center – Bridge of Hope	Joel De Boer*		Daren Dieleman*
Sioux Center – Covenant		Dave Schelhaas**	
Sioux Center – Faith	Bob Pollema		
	Chad Van Ginkel		
	Dave Smit		
Sioux Center – Lebanon	Cory Van Sloten	Harry Dekkers	Val Haverhals
Sioux Falls – First		Steve Ruiter*	Cory Van Maanen*
		Rick Vander Haar*	
Sioux Falls – Shalom	Kyle De Young	Eric Aasen	Shelley Hoogveen*

*First time delegates who signed the Covenant for Officebearers

**Approved by classis to be seated despite not having classical credentials with him

Art. 3434: Classis is declared constituted. The Chair welcomes the delegates and visitors, including the Synodical Deputies (Revs. Tim Ouwinga, Jack Van Marion, and Todd Zuidema) and Candidate Sarah Hoogendoorn.

Art. 3435: The Stated Clerk speaks on behalf of the Classical Interim Committee noting that all the necessary documentation has been presented by the First CRC of Sioux Falls to satisfy the requirements of Church Order Supplement Article 12-c.

1. **Motion** to approve the chaplaincy position at the Veterans Administration Hospital in St. Cloud, Minnesota, to which Sarah Hoogendoorn has been called, as being consistent with the calling of a Minister of the Word. -Adopted
2. The Synodical Deputies concur with this decision.

Art. 3436: The Examination of Candidate Sarah Hoogendoorn

- A. Rev. Joel De Boer examines the Candidate in Practica.
 1. Opportunity is given the delegates and Synodical Deputies to ask questions.
 2. Motion to proceed with the examination. -Adopted
- B. Rev. Duane Tinklenberg reports for Rev. Dave Smit and himself as the Sermon Evaluators.
 1. Opportunity is given for questions from the delegates and Synodical Deputies.
 2. Motion to proceed with the examination. -Adopted
 3. The Synodical Deputies concur in the decision.
- C. Rev. Stanley Groothof examines the Candidate in Biblical-Theological perspective.
 1. Opportunity is given the delegates and Synodical Deputies to ask questions.

- D. **Motion** to admit Candidate Sarah Hoogendoorn into the Ministry of the Word in the CRCNA.
- E. Executive session is declared.
- F. The Chair leads Classis in a prayer for the guidance of the Holy Spirit and opportunity for deliberation follows.
- G. Classis votes by ballot. -Adopted (unanimously)
- H. The Synodical Deputies concur in the decision of Classis.
- I. Executive session ends.
- J. The Candidate is informed of Classis' decision to admit her into the Ministry of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church in North America; she signs the Covenant for Officebearers and is presented with the Classical Diploma after which prayer is offered, with those present who have a special relationship with Sarah surrounding her.
- K. The chair offers appropriate closing remarks, leads everyone in the singing of the doxology, and then invites everyone present to extend congratulations to Sarah Hoogendoorn.

Art. 3437: Classis stands adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 18, 2018.

Rev. Bernie Haan
Stated Clerk