

Docket
Forty-Fourth Meeting
North American Presbyterian and Reformed Council
meeting at
Jubilee Korean American Presbyterian Church
1911 West Marshall Street, West Norriton, Pennsylvania
November 13, 2018, 2:00 PM – November 15, 2018, 12:00 Noon

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

A. Member Churches:

Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church (ARPC)
Canadian Reformed Churches (CANRC)
Église réformée du Québec (ERQ)
Free Reformed Churches of North America (FRCNA)
Heritage Reformed Congregations (HRC)
Korean American Presbyterian Church (KAPC)
Korean Presbyterian Church in America (Kosin) (KPCA)
Orthodox Presbyterian Church (OPC)
Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)
Presbyterian Reformed Church (PRC)
Reformed Church in the United States (RCUS)
Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America (RPCNA)
United Reformed Churches of North America (URCNA)

B. Official Observers

Protestant Reformed Churches in America (PRCA)
Bible Presbyterian Church (BPC)

III. Approval of Minutes (2017)

IV. Communications (including Report of the Interim Committee)

- A. NAPARC 2018 Delegate and Observer information was received from all churches.
- B. Church Reports for 2018 were received (Bylaw III.2.c) from all churches.
- C. The NAPARC Foreign Missions Consultation report was received from Mr. Mark Bube, OPC, September 27, 2018.
- D. Report of the Interim Committee meeting on November 13, 2018.
- E. Inquiry from churches for membership – Classis Minnkota of the CRCNA inquires whether a classis of churches may join NAPARC.
- F. The URCNA sent a copy of its *Marriage Affirmations* adopted in June 2018. A link to this has been made available under the News tab on the NAPARC website.
- G. The OPC requests permission for Elder David Nahkla to address the plenary session for 15 minutes on Thursday morning (with an additional 15 minutes for questions) “to present the work of relief and diaconal ministry by the OPC, its interplay with sister churches, and especially with the ICRC” with a view that his presentation will be a catalyst for a NAPARC consultation on relief work.

- V. Adoption of the Docket
- VI. Election of Officers
- VII. Announcement of Additional Delegates Appointed to the Interim Committee.
- VIII. Reports from Member Churches*
 - ARPC
 - CanRC
 - ERQ
 - FRCNA
 - HRC
 - KAPC
 - KPCA (Kosin)
 - OPC
 - PCA
 - PRC
 - RCUS
 - RPCNA
 - URCNA
- IX. Reports from Official Observer Churches
 - PRCA
 - BPC
- X. Discussion Regarding Progress Toward Organic Union (as proposed by the Interim Committee)
- XI. Treasurer's Report (including Auditors' report)
- XII. Reports and Appointments of Operating Committees.
 - A. Website Committee Report.
- XIII. Old Business
 - A. From the 2017 NAPARC Minutes, the following is found in Art. 19.B:

*Interim Committee **Recommendation 7** is taken up and seconded. The Interim Committee recommends to the Council that topics 1,4, 7 be placed on the agenda for 2018, and that delegates come prepared for the discussion. These topics are:*

 - *As North American culture is becoming increasingly pluralistic and secular how might we develop a vibrant Reformed witness, although we are a small, minority group?*
 - *Retaining the integrity of Reformed Confessionalism and Ecclesiology in a secular world.*
 - *The Reformed Church and norms for gender, sexuality, marriage, and the family.*
 1. *The recommendation to place this on next year's docket is adopted.*
 2. *A motion is made and supported to make this a matter a special order of the day for Wednesday afternoon not later than after the afternoon break. The motion is adopted.*
 - B. Reports on three consultations authorized by last year's meeting which have not yet taken place.
 1. Theological Education
 2. Diaconal Ministries
 3. Youth Ministries

- XIV. Reports of Study Committees (none)
- XV. Reports of Conferences (none)
- XVI. Reports on Consultations (and, where convenient, appointment of host and convener for next Consultation).
 - A. Home Missions
 - B. World Missions
 - C. Christian/Church Education
 - D. Relief/Diaconal Ministries
 - E. Theological Training
 - F. Youth Ministries
- XVII. Arrangements for next meeting (2019)
 - A. Host: Korean Presbyterian Church in America (Kosin) (KPCA) (Alphabetical rotation as per 2011 Minutes p. 27; XVI. Rec.#12)
 - B. Place:
 - C. Date: Second Tuesday of November (By-Laws I.1): November 12-14, 2019
 - D. Invitees:
- XVIII. Any Remaining Items from the Report of the Interim Committee (including approval of the proposed budget)
- XIX. New Business**
- XX. Adjournment.

* This is the time when Delegates assemble to share reports from their churches, to talk about important issues raised, and to pray with and for each other (see *Suggested Form for Member Church reports – Bylaws, IX.2*)

** Matters to be taken up under New Business shall be determined not later than the Adoption of the Docket.