

Interim Committee Docket
Forty-Seventh Meeting
North American Presbyterian and Reformed Council
 meeting at the
Sonesta Hotel - Atlanta Airport North
1325 Virginia Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30344
Hosted by the Presbyterian Church in America
November 8, 2022, 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

1. Call to Order – the chairman of the previous council, Dr. Bryan Chapell is scheduled to chair the meeting.
2. Roll Call – the chairman calls the roll revealing the following are present:

Member Church	Delegate (tentative)
Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church	Rev. Benjamin Glaser
Canadian Reformed Churches	Rev. Marc Jagt
Église réformée du Québec	Rev. Karis Mpindi
Free Reformed Churches of North America	Mr. Edward Laman
Heritage Reformed Congregations	Mr. Corney Les
Korean American Presbyterian Church	Rev. Dr. S. Steve Park
Korean Presbyterian Church in America (Kosin)	Rev. Nathan Hahn
Orthodox Presbyterian Church	Mr. Mark T. Bube
Presbyterian Church in America	Dr. Bryan Chapell
Presbyterian Reformed Church	Rev. Michael Ives
Reformed Church in the United States	Rev. J. P. Mosley
Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America	Rev. Bruce Parnell
United Reformed Churches in North America	Rev. Todd De Rooy (treasurer)

Also present is Rev. Ralph Pontier, NAPARC Secretary

3. Adoption of the Interim Committee Docket
4. Review and Approval of Previous Minutes
 - A. Interim Committee Minutes of 2021 (sent with this docket)
 - B. Council Meeting Minutes of 2021 (available [here](#))
5. Report of the Secretary to the Interim Committee. See attached.
6. Communications ([Bylaws](#) IV.1.a-e):
 - A. NAPARC 2022 Delegate and Observer information was received from all the churches and published with the Council Docket.
 - B. Church Reports for 2022 were received on time (*Bylaws* III.2.c) from all churches and published with the Council Docket.
 - C. The Foreign Mission Consultation report was received from Mr. Mark Bube and published with the Council Docket.
 - D. The Website Committee Report was received on time (*Bylaws* III.2.c) and published with the Council Docket and this docket, page 9. See item 8 on this docket for action.

- E. A letter from the Vineyard CanRC, Lincoln, Ontario, alleging that an OPC congregation violated and ignored the [NAPARC Agreement on Transfer of Members and Congregations](#). (See the Secretary's report attached for a recommendation that this be declared "not properly before us.")
7. Treasurer's Report/Auditors' Report – see attached
- A. The Treasurer presents a report for review and recommendation to the Council.
- B. The Auditors' Report is prepared by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman for presentation to the Council (*Bylaws* III.2.a.4. and III.2.b.3).
8. Reports and Appointments of Operating Committees
- A. The Website Committee presents its report. See attached.
- B. The Website Committee presents its budget request for review and recommendation to the Council.
9. Old Business
10. New Business
- A. Assignments for questions and prayer following Member Church reports (*Bylaws* VI.4.b.2) are reviewed for recommendation to the Council. See attached page 7.
- B. Suggestions for discussion regarding progress toward organic union as proposed by the Interim Committee. (*Bylaws* IV.3.X, p. 4 & VI.4.b.3, p. 6). .
- C. Suggested topics for discussion at a NAPARC meeting – gleaned from 2022 church reports: CanRC
- Answer the transgender gospel and related issues.
- ERQ
- What do churches, classes and/or presbyteries do to encourage prayerfulness in individual congregations and among pastors?
 - What resources do your churches have for pastoral care, encouragement and/or burnout?
- KAPC
- What are the age limits set for infant baptism in respective churches of NAPARC? How appropriate are those age limits currently set?
- RPCNA
- Increased pressure on pastors along with pastoral burnout.
 - Decline in church attendance in younger generations.
11. Additional Delegates Appointed to the Interim Committee
(If any current Interim Committee member knows that he cannot continue on the Interim Committee for the next 11 months, an alternate should be appointed now by that member's church.)
12. Nominations of Officers – a slate of officers is prepared for recommendation to the Council.
- A. Chairman – Rev. Michael Ives (the current vice-chairman)
Bylaw III.1 "The Vice-Chairman of the previous annual meeting shall normally succeed to the office of Chairman and shall be declared elected by acclamation, unless the Council determines to conduct an election."
- B. Vice Chairman – from the RCUS
Bylaws VI.4.h. "usually selected alphabetically from the List of NAPARC Member Churches, with a view to his serving as Chairman of the next year's meeting" The RCUS is next on the list to provide a vice chairman.

- C. Secretary –
- D. Treasurer –

13. Proposed Budget

- A. The Treasurer presents a budget for review and recommendation to the Council.

14. Proposed Docket for plenary session of NAPARC

- A. Having reviewed (in the above items) all the items on the proposed Council Docket a motion is considered to approve it and recommend it to the Council.

15. Arrangements for next meeting (2023)

- A. Host: Presbyterian Reformed Church (Alphabetical rotation as per *2011 Minutes* p. 27; XVI. Rec.#12)
- B. Place:
- C. Date: Second Tuesday of November (*Bylaws* I.1): November 14 -16, 2023
- D. Invitees:

16. Adjournment