

**Classis Central Plains Agenda Supplement**

**Peoria CRC, Peoria, IA**

**Saturday, February 8, 2025 – 8 AM**

**Chair: Rev. Gary Brouwers**

**Vice Chair: Rev. Mark Jicinsky**

1. Classis Treasurer/Finance Committee (p. 1)
2. Speakers
  - a. Rev. Tom Vos – Classis Disability Concerns Rep
  - b. Rev. Lora Copley – Areopagus Ministry (Iowa State University)
3. Denominational Agencies and Boards
  - a. Report from Brad Meinders – Resonate

**Finance Committee Meeting**

Thursday, January 30, 2025

1pm at Don De Waard's office

Members Present: Kevin Bolt, Keith De Bruin, Don De Waard, John Ritsema

Minutes:

1. John Ritsema called the meeting to order and opened with prayer.
2. The chair reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting. A motion was made, supported and passed to approve the minutes.
3. Treasurer Don De Waard presented the financials for year ending 2024. A few churches were able to exceed their pledged amounts for 2024 which resulted in a higher balance.
4. The current classical fund balance is approximately \$124,000.
5. Based on projected pledges and requested support for classical ministries for 2025-26, the motion was made, supported and passed to approve the proposed budget of \$160,000.
6. On the basis of a higher fund balance, the motion was made, supported and passed to approve an additional contribution to Dordt University in the sum of \$50,000.
7. The committee currently has four members. Classis may wish to replace the two vacancies.
8. The committee continues to have ongoing dialogue about the lack of documentation and budget reports from the various classical ministries. It is difficult to ensure healthy accounting and fund use without it, especially when there is a requested budget increase.
9. The motion was made and approved to adjourn. John Ritsema had a closing prayer.

Submitted.

John Ritsema



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