

Classis Central Plains
Agenda Supplement
Feb. 9th 2019

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Treasurer Report

Classis Financial Report
 March 1, 2018 - January 31, 2019

Balance March 1, 2018	\$77,436.70
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Receipts:	Ministry shares	\$201,183.24
	Interest	\$265.87

Disbursements:

Student Fund

Aaron Gunsaulus	\$5,000.00
Matt Spoelstra	\$5,000.00
Jeremy Engbers	\$3,000.00

Classis Expense Fund

Classis meeting presentation	\$750.00
Training video	\$98.00
Travel	\$1,029.70
Newton pulpit supply	\$1,362.05
Treasurer bond insurance	\$100.00
Clerk fee	\$3,000.00
Treasurer fee	\$3,000.00

New Church Plant Fund

Classis Home Mission Fund

Meeting expense	\$479.90
Geneva	\$20,800.00
Areopagus	\$10,000.00
New Life	\$18,000.00

Safe Church Team**Dordt College** \$111,700.00**Classis Diaconal
Committee** \$3,000.00Total disbursements \$186,319.65Balance August 31, 2018 \$92,566.16Classis Ministry Shares
March 1, 2018 - January 31, 2019

	Classis Ministry Shares	Pledged Ministry Shares	Paid To Date	2018 % Paid
Cedar	3100.00	1550.00	1543.28	99.57%
Peace	11000.00	11000.00	11000.00	100.00%
Leighton	3813.00	0.00	1324.70	0.00%
Newton	8600.00	1600.00	1600.00	100.00%
North Liberty	5800.00	1500.00	1500.00	100.00%
Bethel	10500.00	4000.00	10500.00	262.50%
First - Osky	26500.00	26500.00	26500.00	100.00%
Calvary	46026.00	46026.00	46026.00	100.00%
Faith	27300.00	27300.00	13650.00	50.00%
First - Pella	13000.00	6000.00	6000.00	100.00%
Grace	6510.00	2039.25	5155.00	252.79%
Second	18600.00	13852.81	13852.80	100.00%
Peoria	15800.00	15774.30	15774.72	100.00%
Prairie City	9114.00	1000.00	1220.25	122.03%
Trintiy - St. L	6200.00	1000.00	5301.29	530.13%
Stephenville	3550.00	3000.00	3000.00	100.00%
Sully	28000.00	28000.00	27955.20	99.84%
Tracy	6000.00	6000.00	0.00	0.00%
Crossroads	19902.00	9280.00	9280.00	100.00%
Total	269315.00	205422.36	201183.24	97.94%

Cedar CRC Counselor Update from Pastor Mark Jicinsky:

I served as counselor for Cedar CRC in their last vacancy. As counselor I was in regular contact with Ken Van Gilst, clerk of Cedar CRC, via email.

On October 2, 2018 Ken sent me the following update:

Pastor Mark: Thank for your offer of assistance as counselor of Cedar CRC. John Ritsema has lead our worship several times this summer and we have been negotiating with him for a more permanent relationship. At a council meeting this past Monday evening we decided to propose to the congregation that we call John for a part time position. We plan to present the attached proposed contract to the congregation this Sunday. The plan is to have a congregational meeting October 21. The proposed contract would be attached to a letter of call. John is also on a duo at Britt CRC in Britt, Iowa. They will be considering a call that same week. As you know it is John's wish to be re-ordained and we are prepared to facilitate that. Unless you have other suggestions we don't think we will need you until after the congregational meeting when we will need to fill out the letter of call.

Ken Van Gilst, clerk of Cedar CRC council

The next correspondence from Cedar CRC was as follows, dated Oct 10/23/2018:

Pastor Mark: At our congregational meeting this morning we voted by ballot on the council's proposal to extend a call to John Ritsema for a part time position as our pastor at Cedar CRC. Our proposal was for a one year renewable contract. We had 25 ballots with all yes votes! Church order article 9 says that the "counselor shall sign the letter of call". The letter of call form that we have has a Signature page for Elders and Deacons but no mention of counselor. Do you think you should sign it? If so I will send it to you with an envelope for you to forward it to John. If you do not deem that necessary I will send it directly to John with a note that we have consulted with you.

Ken Van Gilst, clerk

Cedar's council forwarded me the contract that the congregation had approved for call. After reviewing the contract, and at my request, Cedar mailed me a hard copy for a signature as counselor. I received the letter of call for signature on October 30th 2018, signed it, and sent it back to the council of Cedar.

On 11/11/ 2018 I received an update that John Ritsema accepted the call from Cedar CRC and the process for ordination and installation had begun. The following correspondence was then received on 11/14/2019 from Ken Van Gilst about the Ordination:

Pastor Mark: Ordination is the responsibility of John Ritsema's calling church but since he has appreciated the support of Grace and Faith in this process we will be hosting the ordination service at Grace fellowship in Pella at 2:00 PM Sunday November 25. Both pastors Piet Van Waarde and Ryan Faber will be participating as well as the Cedar council. We are planning an installation service at Cedar the following Sunday December 2 at 9:30 AM. That will be followed by a lunch to which we are inviting the Cedar community.

Ken

Cordially,

Pastor Mark Jicinsky