



ADDENDUM

To the Agenda of Classis Hamilton of the CRCNA
Meeting October 24, 2023
 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Hosted by Calvin CRC, Dundas
 (420 Highway 5 West Dundas, Ontario L9H 5E2)

(Updated [Agenda](#))

1. **Delegates & Alternates** (didn't fill in your credentials? [use this form before Classis meets](#))

Congregation	Deacon	Elder	Minister
Bethel CRC, Waterdown	Linda Eisses	Tess Tigchelaar	N/A
Calvary CRC, Flamborough	Daniel Vander Hout	John DeWaard	Ralph Groen (Elder)
Calvin CRC, Dundas	Peter Vos	Nathan DeHaan	Ken Benjamins
Ebenezer CRC, Jarvis	Ryer Vandersteeghe	Hans Veurink	Ryan Schuurman (elder)
Faith CRC, Burlington	Chris Dorsman	Bernice Roberge	Cara Dehaan
First CRC, Hamilton			
Grace Community CRC, Ancaster		Gerry DeBoer	Mark Verbruggen
Hagersville Community CRC	N/A	Davis Miedema	Steven Eckersley
Hope CRC, Brantford	Gary Dykgraaf	Dave Guichelaar	Doug Nieuwstraten alt William Koopmans
Immanuel CRC, Hamilton	Eric Tisch	Fred Witvoet	Anthony Elenbaas alt Michael Bootsma
Immanuel CRC, Simcoe	N/A	Mark Vandervliet	Joss DeGroot (elder)
Maranatha CRC, York	Mark Millard	Frank Riewald	Ben Ponsen
Meadowlands Fellowship CRC, Ancaster	Valerie Kloet	Ed Van Beilen	Everett Vander Horst
Mount Hope Community CRC			
New Hope Church, Hamilton (emerging church)			

2. [Classis Interim Committee & Stated Clerk's Reports](#)

a. **Actions of the CIC, to be received for Information;**

i. **DECISIONS** concerning the Youth Champion Position:

- (1) *that the **Youth Champion Position ceases to be a paid position at the end of this fiscal year, Dec 31, 2023***
- (2) *that Classis **pay John severance of 1 week per year of employment, that's 5 years, so 5 weeks of severance.***
- (3) *that **John will continue as Youth Champion as a volunteer beyond Dec 31, 2023** (Ben has confirmed with John that he is interested in this), and that Budget 2024 includes funds to reimburse expenses for that volunteer position beyond Dec 31, 2023.*

ii. **DECISION:** (as requested by Classis May 30, 2023), *that for the next 3 years our February meeting will take place on Saturdays and that the meetings will be scheduled for Classis' administrative items only, that is, doing our best not to schedule denominational presentations, and the like, and that host churches will reduce time needed for devotions and ministry sharing*

iii. **Note: regarding Ministerial Credentials:**

- (1) the CIC received and processed the Ministerial Credentials of **Rev. Steven Eckersley** from Cornwall to Hagersville
- (2) Ministerial Credentials of **Rev. Greg Sinclair** are in process of being transferred from Hamilton to Willowdale.

b. **Recommendations for Classis' approval;**

- i. *That the **CIC and CMT are combined effective immediately** and that the members of the CMT are thanked for their service.*
- ii. *That Classis accept the **resignation of Marcia Hosmar as a member of the CIC***
 - (1) *That Classis instruct the **CIC to find a female replacement***
- iii. *That Classis accept **Ed Visser's request to step down as Regional Pastor** (served 5 years)*
 - (1) *That Classis instruct **the CIC to find a replacement Regional Pastor***
- iv. *that Classis accept **Jerry Bulhuis' resignation as Church Visitor***
 - (1) *That classis instruct **the CIC to find a replacement***
- v. *that Classis accept **Hayden Regeling's resignation as chair of the Candidacy Committee***
 - (1) *that Classis **instruct the CIC to assist the Candidacy Committee find a Minister replacement***

3. **Suggested Motion:** That Classis ***Approve the work of the CIC***

4. [Stated Clerk's Report](#)

The Office of the General Secretary of the Denomination has put out two documents that you may find helpful:

- a. A document entitled [Summary of Synod 2023](#) It is a summary listing of major decisions
- b. And one entitled, [Synod 2023 FAQ Document](#). It includes helpful points and explanations regarding many of the decisions and implications of Synod 2023, including some comments on what "guide into compliance means" and "How would classes guide officebearers into compliance?"

5. **Suggested Motion:** That Classis ***Approve the work of the Stated Clerk.***

6. **Credentials Advisory Team Report**

First & Hagersville

7. [Combined Church Visitors Report](#)

Ken Benjamins

8. Additional Reports (to be included in the Consent Agenda)

- a. [Classis Hamilton Home Missions - Oct 2023](#)
- b. [Youth Champion Summer Report - Oct 2023](#)