

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE CLASSIS OF THE SOUTHWEST, RCA**  
**Meeting in Special Session at Longview Community Church,**  
**in Phoenix, Arizona.**  
**November 08, 2013**

Rev. Dr. James Poit, Classis President, called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Lynn Fischer, Stated Clerk read the statement of meeting purpose.

Statement of Meeting Purpose: This special meeting is to acknowledge receipt of correspondence received from the Rosemont Community Church Consistory and take action as appropriate.

Opening prayer by Rev. Randy Wieland, Church Health Team Leader

Roll Call:

Christ's Community: Pastor, Rev. Dr. Randy Wieland, Pastor, Fred Bates, Elder, Bruce McQueary

Cortaro Vista: Pastor, Rev. Dr. Ted VandeBerg, Elder, Rod Gossett

Glass and Garden: Pastor, vacant, Elder, Wayne Ribbens, Elder, Lynn Fischer

Longview Community: Pastor, Richard Caballero, Elder, Marilyn Hoffs, Elder, Kermit Hoffs,  
Associate Pastor, Agustin Hubert

Mescalero Reformed: Pastor, Vacant, Associate. Pastor, Excused, Elder, Excused, Elder, Excused

New Hope Community: Pastor, Rev. Dr. Jim Poit, Assoc Pastor, Gary Jarvis, Elder, Excused

Prescott Community: Pastor, Excused, Elder, Excused

Rosemont Community: Pastor, Rev. John Foster, Elder, Carol Steffens, Elder, Audrie Matson

The United Church of Los Alamos: Pastor, Excused, Elder, Excused

Other Ministers: Dr. John Stapert, Excused, Rev. Susan Hetrick, Excused.  
Rev. William DeBoer, Excused.

Lynn Fischer, Stated Clerk, reported the roll call is complete and a quorum of delegates is present.

Dr. Poit requested the communication received from Rosemont Community Church be presented to the assemble.

Rev. Gary Jarvis, read the September 30, 2013 correspondence received from Rosemont Community Church consistory requesting supersession by the Classis of the Southwest, RCA. The request is in accordance with Article 7 Section 13 para. j of the Reformed Church in America Book of Church Order.

The stated clerk reported that the meeting notice and copy of the Rosemont correspondence was sent by electronic mail to the delegates and additional copies were available at the meeting.

Dr. Poit asked for comments from Rosemont Community Church representatives.

Rev. John Foster commented on his two year experience as Interim Pastor at Rosemont Community Church as he led them through the self discovery process.

Dr. Ted VandeBerg, Classis Supervisor, provided a summary of the step by step process that brought us to the point we are at today.

Carol Steffens, Rosemont Elder commented on her experiences as a long time church member and service on the Rosemont consistory.

Carol Pilch, Rosemont Deacon, commented on her experiences and continuing community efforts.

Motion by Dr. Poit;

The Classis of the Southwest evaluation Team recommends, consistent with the Reformed Church in America Book of Church Order Chapter 1, Part 2, Article 7, Section 13 and 14 that the Classis of the Southwest honor the request from Rosemont Community Church for Supersession.

The Motion was seconded by Rev. Jarvis from the floor, followed by discussion.

The recommendation to Supersede the Rosemont Community Church consistory was approved by unanimous voice vote 2013/26

Motion by Lynn Fischer, Leadership Team.

The Classis of the Southwest, Leadership Team, recommends, consistent with Reformed Church in America Book of Church Order, Chapter 1 Part 2, Article 7, Sections 13 and 14, the following persons be appointed to serve as trustees and exercise the functions of the Rosemont Community Church consistory.

Rev. Dr. Ted Vandenberg

Rev. Susan Hetrick

Lynn Fischer

Mike Tuinstra

Carol Pilch

Carol Steffens

The motion was seconded from the floor:

The Motion was approved by unanimous voice vote 2013/27

M/S/C 2013/28 To adjourn the special meeting of Classis at 5:45 PM.

The meeting Closed with a circle of prayer lead by Pastor Fred Bates.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynn L. Fischer, Stated Clerk

Dr. James Poit, President