

Press release of classis North of the FRCA, 26 July 2024

The meeting was opened in a Christian manner by br. A. Schiebaan on behalf of the convening church of Mount Nasura. In his prayer br. Schiebaan gave thanks for the synod that could convene in June and remembered the vacant churches of Melville and Mount Nasura, as well as candidate Jacob Baijal who was considering calls from these churches. The credentials were examined by the delegates of the church of Legana and found to be in good order.

Classis was declared constituted and as chairman was appointed Rev. S. 't Hart, as vice chairman Rev. A. Souman, and as clerk Rev. A. van Delden.

The chairman asked the delegates to rise to show agreement with the three forms of unity. The agenda was adopted after a report from the Deputies for Needy Churches was added, as well as one church visitation report.

The classis archives report over 2023 was received with thanks.

The report of the deputies for Needy Churches was received. It was noted with thankfulness that there has been no request from churches within our classis for financial assistance. The report of the church visitation to Southern River on 24 May 2024 was read and received.

The chairman asked the questions in Article 41 of the Church Order and all the churches responded that the ministry of the office bears is continued, the decisions of major assemblies are honoured and none of the churches required the help or judgment of the classis for the proper government of the church.

An appeal was dealt with in closed session.

As the convening church for the next classis the church of Southern River was appointed. The date is 20 September 2024 and suggested officers are: chairman: Rev. W. Bredenhof; vice chairman: Rev. S. 't Hart; clerk: Rev. A. Souman.

Question Period was not made use of.

Censure according to Art. 47 of the Church Order was not needed.

The Acts were adopted, and the press release was approved.

After prayer, the chairman closed the meeting.

For the classis
Rev. Anthon Souman
Vice Chairman