

**MINUTES OF THE TWENTIETH MEETING OF THE
NORTH AMERICAN PRESBYTERIAN AND REFORMED COUNCIL**
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
November 2, 1993.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The North American Presbyterian and Reformed Council met at the Airport Days Inn in Philadelphia, PA at 8:31 a.m. The Chairman, the Rev. Thomas E. Tyson, called the meeting to order. He read Revelation 4 and 5 and led in prayer.

II. ROLL CALL

ARPC	Delegates: Charles H. Carlisle Ed Cox Milton C. Fisher Jack C. Whytock
CRC	David H. Engelhard Leonard J. Hofman Alfred S. Luke Edward A. Van Baak
KAPC	Myung Doh Kim Peter B. Kim Young Chon Kim Do Il Ryu
OPC	Richard A. Barker Donald J. Duff Jack J. Peterson Thomas E. Tyson
PCA	K. Eric Perrin Paul R. Gilchrist
RPCNA	Robert Henning Gordon Keddie Robert J. Mann Andrew Schep

A quorum was declared to be present.

The following observer churches were represented:

Bible Presbyterian Church General Synod	Kevin M. Backus
Presbyterian Reformed Church	Morris MacDonald
Reformed Church in the United States	Sherman Isbell
	Norman Hoefflinger
	Frank Walker

On motion the following were seated as reporters; Mr. Ahn and Mr. Darrell Todd Marurina

III. ADOPTION OF DOCKET

The proposed docket for the meeting as amended by the Interim Committee was presented as follows:

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Adoption of Docket
- IV. Election of Officers: Chairman, Vice-chairman, Secretary, Treasurer
- V. Election of Additional Members to Interim Committee

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- VI. Approval of Minutes
- VII. Communications:
- VIII. Treasurer's Report
- IX. Reports from Various Member Churches
- X. Reports from Observer Churches
- XI. Interim Committee Report
- XII. Old Business
 - a. Weighted voting
 - b. Application of the RCUS
 - c. Study Committee Report
- XIII. Reports on Conference/Consultation Held
- XIV. New Business
- XV. Arrangements for Next Meeting (place, time, invitees)
- XVI. Adjournment

Adopted**IV. ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

The following nominations were placed before the Council by the Interim Committee, and were elected by white ballot:

Chairman	Myung Doh Kim (KAPC)
Vice chairman	David H. Engelhard (CRCNA)
Secretary	Donald J. Duff (OPC)
Treasurer	Robert A. Henning (RPCNA)

V. ELECTION OF ADDITIONAL MEMBERS TO INTERIM COMMITTEE

The election of additional members of the Interim Committee was as follows:

ARPC	Milton C. Fisher
KAPC	Peter Kim
PCA	K. Eric Perrin

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Interim Committee recommend the approval of the Minutes of the meetings of the Interim Committee on November 9, 1993 and September 10, 1994 and the meeting of NAPARC of November 10, 1993 as distributed.

Adopted**VII. COMMUNICATIONS:**

- 1. July 20, 1994 From OPC GA about actions of the GA having to do with NAPARC
- 2. Sept. 19, 1994 From Tremper Longman about the report of the Study Committee
- 3. Oct. 10, 1994 From Tremper Longman with report of Study Committee
- 4. Oct. 18, 1994 From Frank Walker, Stated Clerk of the RCUS, about the continued request for RCUS to become a member of NAPARC.
- 5. Nov. 1, 1994 From the Committee on Ecumenicity and Interchurch Relations of the OPC concerning the CRCNA.
- 6. Nov. 1, 1994 From the Committee on Ecumenicity and Interchurch Relations of the OPC concerning the matter of the comity agreement.
- 7. Nov. 2, 1994 FAX from the EPC received at 9:45 a.m. and read to the meeting. This included a report of significant actions of the 14th GA.

Communications were assigned to places on the docket as follows:

- 1a & 4 to X:b
- 1b, 5, 6, and 7 to XIV
- 2 & 3 to docket item X:c

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VIII. TREASURER'S REPORT

Dr. Charles Carlisle, Treasurer, presented the Treasurer's report as follows:

NAPARC'S General Fund

Balance - November 9, 1994 \$3,449.42

Receipts from Dues:

ARPC	\$180.00
CRC	1200.00
OPC	180.00
PCA	1200.00
RPCNA	180.00
KAPC	180.00

Total receipts \$3,120.00 3,120.00Total responsible for \$6,569.42 \$6,569.42

Expenditures:

NAPARC meeting in 1993	\$454.60
Donald J. Duff, Secretary	200.00
Secretarial help	250.00

Total Expenditures 904.60 -904.60

Balance - November 2, 1994 \$5,664.82

Westminster Assembly Commemoration Conference Fund as of November 2, 1994

Balance - November 9, 1994 \$8,050.75

Income:

Commission on sale of tapes 154.00

Total \$8,204.75 \$8,204.75

Expenditures

Conference Expense 358.22

Balance as of November 2, 1994 \$7,846.53

The Interim Committee recommends to NAPARC that the budget for 1995 be set at \$2,400.

Dues
Adopted

At a later point in the meeting the following was considered:

The Interim Committee advises NAPARC that we should henceforth allocate the cost of NAPARC equally among the member denominations.

Adopted

The amounts requested of each of the member denominations for 1995 is as follows:

ARPC	\$400
CRCNA	400
KAPC	400
OPC	400
PCA	400
RPCNA	400

Adopted**IX. REPORTS FROM THE MEMBER CHURCHES**

Each of the member churches distributed reports of significant actions of their respective churches and a spokesman for each church highlighted certain items in these reports. (See papers lettered A-F)

X. REPORTS FROM THE OBSERVER CHURCHES

Each of the observer churches distributed reports of significant actions of their respective churches and a spokesman for each church highlighted certain items in these reports. (See papers lettered G-I)

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XI. INTERIM COMMITTEE REPORT

The Interim Committee recommends to NAPARC the following;

That this meeting of NAPARC express to the Christian Reformed Church in North America its deep thanks to God for the decision to which he led the CRC Synod 1994 to disapprove the ordination of women to ruling and teaching office in the church and to express the devout hope that that position will not change.

*During the course of the discussion of this motion Dr. Kim gave the chair to Dr. Engelhard.
On motion it was decided that when the vote on the question was taken it would be by unit vote.*

X. RECESS

The Council recessed from 10:35 - 10:47 a.m.

XII. RETURN TO THE INTERIM COMMITTEE REPORT

The pending motion was voted on as follows:

ARPC	yes	OPC	yes
CRC	no	PCA	no
KAPC	yes	RPCNA	yes

Adopted

XIII. OLD BUSINESS**A. Weighted voting**

It was moved that we approve the recommendation of the Interim Committee which was as follows:

That the Interim Committee recommends to the Twentieth Annual Meeting of the North American Presbyterian and Reformed Council that we do not amend the Constitution and By-laws to allow for weighted voting.

Adopted

B. Reception of the Reformed Church in the United States (See Communication 4)

A motion was made that the meeting go into executive session.

The chairman gave the chair to Dr. Engelhard

A substitute motion was made that the reporters present be excused while this matter is discussed

This became the main motion and was adopted. The reporters were excused.

Dr. Kim returned to the chair.

It was moved to adopt the recommendation of the Interim Committee as follows:

The Interim Committee recommends NAPARC approve the application of the Reformed Church in the United States and that constitutional principles be followed.

A substitute was moved as follows:

That the application of the RCUS to join NAPARC be postponed so that they may bring to NAPARC a statement from their denomination that they disavow involvement in and support of the Alliance of Reformed Churches and that they intend to fellowship with the NAPARC churches in a sensitive, respectful and supportive manner in keeping with the chief mark of a true church expressed in John 13:35 "By this shall all men know that you are my disciples, that you love one another."

Dr. Kim asked Dr. Engelhard to take the chair.

It was moved and carried to extend the order of the day for 15 minutes.

Following prayer by Gordon Keddie a vote was taken by unit vote on the substitute as follows:

ARPC	no	OPC	no
CRC	yes	PCA	yes
KAPC	no	RPCNA	no

Defeated

A vote was taken on the main motion as follows:

ARPC	yes	OPC	yes
CRC	no	PCA	abstain
KAPC	yes	RPCNA	yes

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Adopted**XIV NEW BUSINESS**

The following motion was made:

The Interim Committee be authorized to proceed with a consultation with the Evangelical Presbyterian Church as they requested in their communication of November 2 (see communication 7).

Adopted**XVI. ARRANGEMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING (PLACE, TIME, INVITEES)**

On recommendation of the Interim Committee NAPARC determined to request the Orthodox Presbyterian Church to host the next meeting of the Council and to arrange for a key note speaker for the dinner to be held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The dates of the meeting will be decided by the officers of NAPARC choosing either Tuesday and Wednesday, November 28-29, 1995 if this fits with the Foreign Missions Consultation and possible airline blackout dates on tickets, or otherwise Tuesday and Wednesday, October 31-November 1, 1995.

Adopted**XVII. EXPRESSION OF THANKS**

The Council asked the Secretary to express its thanks and appreciation to the Korean American Presbyterian Church for hosting the meeting, and arranging for Dr. George Fuller to be the speaker at the banquet on Tuesday evening.

Adopted**XVIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Robert Henning at 12:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald J. Duff, Secretary

Place and times of Synods and Assemblies in 1995

The 1995 meetings of the Assemblies/Synods are scheduled as follows:

ARPC	Bonclarken, Flat Rock, NC	June 7, 1995
CRC	Calvin College, Grand Rapids, MI	June 12-, 1995
KAPC	New York, NY	June 20-23, 1995
OPC	Geneva College, Beaver Falls, PA	May 31-June 7, 1995
PCA	Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	June 20-23, 1995
RPCNA	Geneva College, Beaver Falls, PA	June 17-23, 1995
BPC	Charlotte, NC	Aug. 3-8, 1995
RCUS	Sutton, NE	May 15-18, 1995