Summary of Occasions When Synodical Deputies Are Needed

(cf. 2018 Church Order and Its Supplements)

- 1. Church Order Article 7: Admittance to ministry without the prescribed training (deputies needed for all steps)
 - a. Examination for licensure for a probationary period of time
 - b. Examination for eligibility for call
 - c. Examination for ordination

Note: Each step is to occur at a separate meeting of classis.

2. Church Order Supplement, Article 8, E, 5-8: Calling ministers from other denominations examined for colloquium doctum.

Note: Establishing a need and declaration for eligibility are done with the approval of the Candidacy Committee. And this *never* occurs at the same session of classis as the colloquium doctum.

3. Church Order Article 10: Admission of candidates who have completed all requirements for ministry

Note: Request a copy of the sermon evaluation *prior to* the classis meeting.

- 4. *Church Order Article 12-c: Approval for serving in specialized ministries
- 5. Church Order Article 13-c: Loaning a minister to other denominations
 - a. Church Order Article 13-c: Approval for ministers to be on loan to other denominations
 - b. Supplement, Article 13-c, Regulation e: Extension of Loan of a Minister to Another Denomination
- 6. Church Order Article 14: Release from ministerial office
 - a. 14-b: Release from office to enter a ministry outside the CRC
 - b. 14-c: Release from office to enter a nonministerial vocation
 - c. 14-d: Termination of the ministerial office of a minister whose vocation has not been approved by the assemblies
 - d. 14-e: Return to office of a person who has been honorably released
- 7. Church Order Article 17: Release from ministerial service and/or office
 - a. 17-a: Release from service in a congregation initiated by a minister, a council, or jointly for nondisciplinary reasons
 - b. 17-c: Release from ministerial office (after a period of time within which no call has been received)
 - c. 17-d: Release from the office of minister of the Word (after the process of evaluation and assistance)
- 8. Church Order Article 23: Approval of commissioned pastor position
 - a. *23-a: Declaration regarding a commissioned pastor's position
 - b. 23-b or -c: Service of a commissioned pastor as solo pastor
 - c. 23-d: Calling a commissioned pastor to an organized congregation

- 9. Church Order Article 38-h: Approval of multiaffiliation designation for a congregation
- 10. Church Order Articles 82-83 and Supplement, Articles 82-84-f: Deposition of a minister of the Word
- 11. Church Order Article 84 and Supplement, Articles 82-84-i: Reinstatement of a minister of the Word

^{*}Note: Concurrence regarding Articles 12-c and 23-a may be given by phone upon review of the appropriate documentation if judged by the deputies to be routine in nature.