

Education and Candidacy

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I. Dordt University

A. Materials

Dordt University Report, pp. 265-266

B. Recommendations

1. That synod commend Dordt University on their steadfast adherence to God's Word and the confessions of the CRCNA.
2. That synod celebrate with Dordt University their continued growth in enrollment, facilities, and programs that robustly promote Christian learning and engagement in all employment opportunities.
3. That synod take note of and rejoice in Dordt University adhering wholeheartedly to Deut. 6:1-9, and the Church Order Article 71 that we would raise our children in the training and instruction of the Lord.

II. Institute for Christian Studies

A. Materials

Institute for Christian Studies Letter, pp. 267-268

B. Recommendations

1. That synod acknowledge and celebrate past contributions of philosophical thought that have blessed the CRCNA, through for example, Christian Day schools, and Christian Higher Education.
2. That synod recognize with regret the decision of ICS to discontinue their status as a denominationally related educational institution of the CRCNA.

III. The King's University

A. Materials

The King's University Report, pp. 269-270

B. Recommendations

1. That synod celebrate the 45th anniversary of The King's University.
2. That synod rejoice in its ongoing construction projects.
3. That synod pray for The King's University to remain rooted and growing in faithful Christian influence for all students.

IV. Kuyper College

A. Materials

Kuyper College Report, pp. 271-273

B. Recommendations:

1. That synod celebrate Kuyper College for its faithful mission to train servant leaders in the Kingdom of God for service in the Church and the mission field through work related opportunities that have made contributions beyond its present size.
2. That synod rejoice with Kuyper College as they continue to celebrate their 85th year (2024), with strong donor support, a restart in athletics and budding enrollment.
3. That synod pray for Kuyper College as they wrestle with enrollment challenges related to international students visas and financial aid for all students.
4. That synod acknowledge the positive contributions of Kuyper graduates in life and ministry in the CRCNA.
5. That synod encourage Kuyper College as it seeks fresh ways to serve amid the challenges to and the opportunities for Christian higher education today.

V. Redeemer University

A. Materials

Redeemer University Report, pp. 274-276

B. Recommendations

1. That synod celebrate with Redeemer University the clarity of mission to God's Word that has led to more than 1000 Christian undergraduates this coming academic year 25-26.
2. That synod recognize the growth of academic offerings in graduate studies and certificate programs at Redeemer University.
3. That synod affirm the innovative leadership of Redeemer to offer micro-credentialing for the blessing of Church leadership in the following areas:
 - Planning meetings – elders, deacons
 - Human resources- support healthy communities
 - Congregational care and discipleship
4. That synod pray for God's wisdom to address projected growth, ongoing capital needs and the truth and grace to navigate cultural hostility.
5. That synod thank Redeemer University for their gracious hospitality and the meaningful interactions President Zietsma has had with our body.

VI. Trinity Christian College

A. Materials

Trinity Christian College Report, pp. 277-278

B. Recommendations

1. That synod commend Trinity Christian College for their focus on "moving away from the assumption that debt is the economic foundation of higher education in America."
2. That synod commend Trinity Christian College for their longstanding faithful partnerships within the greater Chicago region, and contributing to the flourishing of God's kingdom.

VII. Historical Committee

A. Materials

Historical Committee Report, pp. 255-262

B. Recommendations

1. That synod take note of the activities on which the committee has embarked and encourage leaders and churches to offer the committee suggestions and information related to them.
2. That synod recognize with appreciation the service of retiring members Tony Maan and Herman De Vries, and of curator William Katerberg and the Heritage Hall staff, student workers, and volunteers.
3. That synod note with appreciation all the milestone anniversaries of pastors and Churches in the CRCNA (*Agenda for Synod 2025*, pp. 259-261).
4. That synod note with sadness and heavenly hope the conclusion of earthly life for Rev. Leonard Hofman, former general secretary of the CRCNA from 1983-1994.