

## Highlights of the online chat at “A Proposed New Look for RCA Polity”

Thursday, 19 September 2024

- 00:33:02 Steve Mann, NBTS Communications:  
Reformed Church Center webpage: <https://nbts.edu/student-life/reformed-church-center/>
- 00:34:46 Steve Mann, NBTS Communications: To contact our admissions & vocations team: <https://nbts.edu/admissions>  
email: admissions@nbts.edu  
phone: 848-237-1717
- 00:35:32 Steve Mann, NBTS Communications: <https://nbts.edu/donate/>
- 00:47:36 Gary Van Schaick: Can you provide the link to this video?
- 00:49:23 Amanda Bruehl:  
You can find the video here: [www.rca.org/middleassemblies](http://www.rca.org/middleassemblies)
- 00:52:15 Russell Camp: So Professor only gets one appeal?
- 00:52:57 Howard Moths: Yes they only have one appeal now.
- 00:54:00 Amanda Bruehl: [www.rca.org/workbook](http://www.rca.org/workbook)
- 00:54:17 Amanda Bruehl: [www.rca.org/minutes](http://www.rca.org/minutes)
- 00:55:26 Amanda Bruehl: [www.rca.org/middleassemblies](http://www.rca.org/middleassemblies)
- 00:58:00 Luke DeKoster:  
Sorry, where are the appendix/appendices mentioned? I thought they were in MGS but I think I misheard
- 01:01:28 Howard Moths: The appendices are available at [www.rca.org/workbook](http://www.rca.org/workbook)
- 01:02:31 Luke DeKoster: thank you
- 01:04:30 Steve Mann, NBTS Communications:  
Remember, there is also a Q&A window where you can ask questions.

- 01:07:19 Kim Van Es:  
The Certificate for Readiness for Examination for ordination provided from one of the theological agents should remain.
- 01:07:55 Terry Troia:  
So, is there a thought for a classis to join another classis to be a bigger middle assembly or does the classis just change its name? What choice does a church have? Its important to our church to be in an open and affirming classis which NY is not for ordination. So we want to join a middle assembly that holds up that value.
- 01:08:45 Terry Troia:  
How do we do that? Is there a time frame to switch classes/ or join another middle assembly?
- 01:10:12 Russell Camp: Is there anything you wish had been better addressed?
- 01:12:20 Bill Tewinkle:  
If a Classis disagrees with a Regional Synod's action on the Middle Assembly formation involving that Classis, is there an appeal process to General Synod?
- 01:14:25 Chris Heitkamp:  
Stated Clerks have a deadline of March 31 to submit the classis votes on all amendments for the 2025 General Synod Workbook
- 01:14:33 Bill Tewinkle:  
When will congregations/consistories be able to petition to move to a different middle assembly?