

18.2 REPORT 2: DEPUTIES HISTORICAL MATTERS – CHURCH MUSEUM (Artt 95, 259)

- A. Rev G Opperman tables the Report.
- B. **Decision:** Point 3.1 are refer to the Commission for Finances.
- C. Rev PJ Nel reports on behalf of the Commission of Finances.

D. REPORT

1. Mandate

Acta 2012:213-214.

Decision: Noted.

2. Matters that the Synod take note of

- 2.1 The Curator of the Museum, sr MED Coetsee, has received various visitors to the museum during the last 3 years. She takes care of the artefacts and keeps the museum clean.
- 2.2 Various new artefacts have been gained, but display space is limited.
- 2.3 The building is fumigated once per year.
- 2.4 The Reformed Church Strydenburg has dissolved and according to a Church Council decision, brought museum pieces to the museum. The Deputies looking into clearing some space for a display regarding the Reformed Church under the Cross. In light of the limited space it is essential to create more space in the museum.
- 2.5 Articles regarding the museum have been published regularly in *Die Kerkblad*.

Decision: Points 2.1 to 2.5 noted.

3. Matters that the Synod decide on

- 3.1 For the sake of the visitors to the museum the Deputies recommend that the assignment is given to the Property Commission of the Administrative Bureau in order to address the issues of installing an air conditioner, a toilet and more display cabinets.

Decision: Refer to the Commission of Finances.

- 3.2 Churches and members are encouraged to support the Church Museum by visiting the museum and entrusting to the museum collector's pieces that are of value to the history of the churches.

Decision: Approved.

- 3.3 The Deputies' standing assignment is continued.

Decision: Approved.

- 3.4 The Deputies report in future on the number of guests at the Church Museum.

- 3.5 That the Deputies investigate whether the Church Museum in Reddersburg must also be placed under the care of the Deputies.

Decision: Points 3.4 and 3.5 approved (amendments already added – Deputies Acta).

E. REPORT OF THE COMMISSION

1. Mandate

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Decision: Noted.

2. Matters that the Synod take note of

- 2.1 For the convenience of visitors at the museum attention should be paid to the installation of an air conditioner, a toilet and more cabinets for the display of material.

Decision: Noted.

3. Matters that the Synod decide on

3.1 That this issue be referred to the Commission for Properties of the Administrative Bureau.

Decision: Approved.