ST JOHN’S COLLEGE
ASSEMBLY
Agenda

QUORUM NEEDED

For the meeting of September 20, 2016 @ 2:30 pm in Room 206 St John’s College

1. Approval of the Agenda

2. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting on May 17, 2016.

3. Business arising from the Minutes of the May 17, 2016 meeting

4. New Business
   a) Fellowship Nomination
   b) Elect Acting Dean of Studies
   c) Elect next Dean of Studies
   d) Membership on committees of Assembly
   e) Honorary Degree electronic vote
   f) Rebranding
   g) Chaplain search
   h) Mary and Patrick Lee Bursary
   i) Strategic Plan

5. Other Business

6. Reports
   a) Reports from College Officers

   Warden
   Dean of Studies
   Chaplain
   Bursar
   Dean of Residence
   Development Officer
   Registrar

   b) Report from Senior Stick

   c) Reports from College Committees

7. Adjournment
ST JOHN’S COLLEGE
ASSEMBLY
Minutes

For the meeting of May 17, 2016 @ 2:30 pm in Room 206 St John’s College

Present: C. Morrison, I. Froese, B. Erickson, J. Dueck, L. Kuffert, L. Alexandrin, J. Weimer, G. Bak, B. Peeler, R. Thomas, A. Perry, M. Minor, R. Coutts, B. Cantelo, E. Jones (Chair), D. McCance, S. Peters (Secretary)


1. Approval of the Agenda
MOTION: That the agenda be approved as distributed.
L. Kuffert / L. Alexandrin
CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting on March 22, 2016.
MOTION: That the minutes of the meeting on March 22, 2016 be approved as distributed.
Brenda / I. Froese
CARRIED

3. Business arising from the Minutes of the March 22, 2016 meeting
MOTION from Assembly Executive: That Director of U of M Press will be a voting member of Assembly
CARRIED

4. New Business
   a) Fellowship Nominations (see motions from Brenda.
      a. To Senior Fellow
         Motion: to recommend to Assembly that Christina Penner be elected as a senior Fellow
         CARRIED

      b. To Visiting Fellow
         Motion: to recommend to Assembly that Robert Coutts be elected as a Visiting Fellow for a one year term and Susie Fisher be elected as a Visiting Fellow for a term from July 1 – December 31, 2016
         CARRIED

      c. Junior Fellows
         Motion: to recommend to Assembly that Jade Weimer, Bryan Peeler and Michael Minor be elected as Junior Fellows for a one year term contingent on a teaching appointment
         CARRIED
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**Research Fellows**

**Motion:** to recommend to Assembly that **Ryan Duplassie** be elected as a Research Fellow for a one year term

CARRIED

**d. New Fellows**

**Motion:** to recommend to Assembly that **Kent Fowler** be elected as a Visiting Fellow for a one year term.

CARRIED

**Motion:** to recommend to Assembly that **Annette Desmarais** be elected as a Visiting Fellow for a one year term.

CARRIED

**Motion:** to recommend to Assembly that **Niigaan Sinclair** be elected as a Visiting Fellow for a one year term.

CARRIED

**Motion:** to recommend to Assembly that **Jason Edgerton** be elected as a Visiting Fellow for a one year term.

CARRIED

**Motion:** to recommend to Assembly that **Leslie James** be elected as a Visiting Fellow for a one year term.

CARRIED

**b) Honorary Degrees**

MOTION: That Assembly move into closed session.

J. Dueck / A. Perry

CARRIED

MOTION: That Assembly move out of closed session.

I. Froese / J. Dueck

CARRIED

In closed session, it was voted to present Faye Thomson with an Honorary Fellow and Cindy Blackstock with the Honorary Doctor of Canon Law (honoris cause) at the November 2016 Convocation.

**c) John and Jilleen Stafford Bursary.** MOTION from Scholarship Committee: That Assembly approve the terms of reference.

CARRIED

**d) Terry and Les Wiens Bursary.** MOTION from Scholarship Committee: That Assembly approve the terms of reference

CARRIED

**e) Draft Meeting Dates for the upcoming year.** Discussion was held as to whether the May Assembly could be held in April. It was asked that Assembly Executive to discuss this in fall to make the plans/changes for that year.
f) Membership stats. The Registrar spoke to this.

5. Other Business
None

6. Reports
a) Reports from College Officers

Warden

St John’s College
Warden’s Report
Assembly, May 17, 2016
Council, May 25, 2016

I am now on Administrative Leave until August 12 of this year. This is a result of my reappointment to a further five-year term by College Council, confirmed by the University of Manitoba Board of Governors on April 12. Thank you to all involved in the review and reappointment process.

Since our last meetings, I have been involved in the following activities:

1) I hosted Bishop Mark MacDonald for the annual Wilmot Lectures in Theology on March 21 and 22. We had a good turnout on March 21 of about 40 people. There were fewer at Migizii Agamik on March 22, but we were able to engage some of the community there.
2) I attended the Bach’s Birthday recital on March 24.
3) I represented the College at Bill Regher’s funeral on March 28.
4) I prepared and served dinner at Ronald MacDonald House with Amy Craddock and 2 students. This is lieu of printed Christmas cards from the College.
5) I attended the spring Residence Banquet on April 2.
6) I represented the College at the Centre for Christian Studies Annual Service of Celebration on April 10.
7) I attended our social to raise money for Syrian Refugees on April 15.

I am presently taking a course on Mozart as well as one on Manitoba owls and a further one on fly-fishing. This should broaden my horizon while I continue to work on my manuscript of religious change in North Baffin Island.

Dean of Studies

Dean of Studies: Report to Council, May 25, 2016
We have had an exciting winter and thank you to everyone who helped to make the term a success.

Soup and Bread Lectures: January to March 2016
Jade Weimer was our coordinator for our lecture series this term and did a fine job of scheduling the events, arranging audio-visual needs, introducing our speakers and handling question period. Behind the scenes Diana DeFoort assisted with posters and ordering the food, and Ian Park and members of his Food Services team presented us with a selection of delicious
vegetarian soups and tasty breads. Thank you Jade, Diana and Ian (and staff) and of course, thanks to all of our speakers and audience members.

Soup and Bread lectures this term included:
Tuesday Jan 26 – Jade Weimer, “Music as Tool of Rhetoric & Recruitment in Early Christianity”
Tuesday Feb 9 – Amy Scott, “Health and Stress in Medieval and Post-Medieval Denmark”
Tuesday Feb 23 – Adele Perry, “Municipal Water Supply and Settler Colonialism”
Wednesday March 2 – Stephanie Pyne, “Cybercartography and the Residential Schools Land Mapping Project”
Wednesday, March 16 – Jonathan Peyton, “Canoes, Canneries, Cruises: Marine Colonialism on B.C’s coast.”
Wednesday March 30 – Robert Coutts, “Heritage and the Landscape of Memory: Constructing Historic Space in Western Canada.”

Congratulations to:

Diana Brydon, Senior Fellow, on receiving an honorary doctorate from Linnaeus University in Sweden. This is a prestigious honour and Dr. Brydon will be travelling to Sweden in the spring for the official presentation. Congratulations from all of us!

Dr. Esyllt Jones, Senior Fellow, on being awarded the St. John’s College Student Associations “Fellow of the Year.” Congratulations on this award and it is certainly well deserved.

Amy Scott, Research Fellow, for receiving a tenure track appointment in the Department of Anthropology at the University of New Brunswick. Amy is currently teaching at the University of Manitoba and will start her new position in July.

Jade Weimer, Junior Fellow will be graduating from the University of Toronto with a PhD in Religion in June. Congratulations Dr. Weimer!

Jade’s dissertation title is "Musical Assemblies: How Early Christian music functioned as a Rhetorical Topos, a Mechanism of Recruitment, and a Fundamental Marker of an Emerging Christian Identity."

Jade continues to teach in the Department of Religion at the University of Manitoba.

Retirements
We have had retirement parties this term for two of our Senior Fellows, David Arnason (English) and James Dean (Economics).

Both parties were well attended and gave us a chance to honour Jim and David’s contributions to the College and to celebrate their upcoming retirement. David’s party was on March 9th and the College presented him with a watercolour print of the Chapel and a gift certificate to Chew restaurant. The following month we celebrated Jim’s retirement on March 8th when we gave him a Proch print and a gift certificate. Although Jim and David have retired officially, they will both continue to be associated with the College; Jim will be a Retired Fellow and David will be a Senior Scholar. Thank you to all who attended and thank you Jim and David for all your years of service to the College. Best wishes for your retirement.
Other Events

Wednesday, March 16th. St. John's College: Student Art Competition. We celebrated our fourth annual St. John’s College Student Art Competition and announced the winners at a reception in the Daily Bread Café. The committee, consisting of Jade Weimer, Lisa Alexandrin, Christina Penner and Michael Minor did a wonderful job organizing the event. This year our three external judges were: Noam Gonick, Seema Goel and Teghan Beaudette and they selected the winning entries. Congratulations to our three winners:

1. Luther Konadu (untitled) Prize: $300
2. Favour Jeremiah (tied for "Reflections" and "Ease Off My Burden"). Prize $200
3. Alexis Ironside ("From Scotland With Love"). Prize $100

Food Services played a key role in making this event a success and kudos to Ian Park and his staff for providing us with the space, refreshments during the installation, and the reception. The College appreciates your participation in making the event a success. Thanks also to Diana DeFoort for assisting with the posters and advertising and to everyone who came out to support the exhibition.

Saturday, March 19th: St. John’s College Students’ Association held their St. John’s College Grad’s Farewell Dinner & Dance at Bergmann’s on Lombard. The grad included the following events: honouring of College Graduates, the presentation of the Fellow of The Year Award to Dr. Esyllt Jones, the Valedictory Address and the Changing of the Sticks. Congratulations to all of our grads and to Dr. Jones.

Thursday, March 24, 2016 from 2:30- 3:15 p.m. St John’s College - Bach’s Birthday Recital. St. John’s College hosted a special concert in Tribute to Lawrence Ritchey, former Fellow of St John’s College and in honour of our Retired Fellows and Staff in the Chapel of St. John the Evangelist on March 24th. We especially honoured two Senior Fellows who retired this year: David Arnason and James Dean. Performances included Michael Culter, Organist and Music Director at Crescent Fort Rouge United Church and Andre Washington, Cellist and student of Desautels Faculty of Music. A private reception was held in the Senior Common Room following the recital. The event was a big success and thank you to everyone for planning, advertising and attending the recital.

Wednesday, April 6th 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. End of Term Reception in the Senior Common Room.

Thursday, April 7th End of Term BBQ.

Planning for 150th Anniversary
Plans are well underway for a series of events to mark the 150th anniversary of St. John’s College. Jill Stafford is coordinating a number of special events such as lectures, dinners to be held throughout the academic 2016-2017 year. Details to follow.

Brenda Cantelo
Dean of Studies
Chaplain

Chaplain Report to Assembly, May 2016

My time is primarily spent right now in two areas: developing an ecumenical chaplaincy board to prepare for the next chaplain, and planning a social justice day camp.

* Our fundraising for a Syrian student with WUSC to live in our residence is coming to a close. We have raised nearly $23,000 of our $24,000 goal and will continue to take donations until we reach it. The student, Montaser, has now moved in. His family is split between Jordan and Germany and lost everything, including the family business, when they had to flee Syria. He is a very bright young man who had already begun university. We’d like to have a second student stay in the residence as well, but the funding will need to come from elsewhere, as we have been unable to raise enough for a second student.

* the social we threw for fundraising sold lots of tickets and brought in lots of prizes but did not have enough people actually attending (to buy drinks and raffle tickets) to raise a significant amount of money.

* Our Easter “journey into holy week” service in the chapel went well and was attended by about 45.

* My last service with All the Kings’ Men will be June 5

* I put out the labyrinth during the first week of exams to create a quiet, meditation space for students, who did use it

* We had our last Bible & Breakfast for the semester in March and will plan to hold three a semester again next year

* the prayer rug in the chapel is being used regularly by our Muslim students and staff

* several weddings are coming up in the chapel; we will work with the summer dons to organize these

* the Presbyterian and United Churches are joining the Anglican Church to create an ecumenical protestant chaplaincy at St. John’s, drawing from a larger pool of support, both financially and in student and congregational resources. Hopefully, this will be a 3/4 time position, at least in the new year. There is an increasing realization that chaplaincy’s main areas of focus should be care for all students in crisis, international students, leadership development, and social justice. This fills the mandate of St. John’s and a unique need not addressed elsewhere on campus. Interviews for this position will be held when Chris returns from leave.

* The social justice day camp has received a grant from the Diocese of Rupert’s Land and is moving ahead with hiring two or three students part time to assist with programming. The camp will run July 18-22, 9am-4pm, for students entering grades 8 and 9. This will be an opportunity for the College to engage its priority of social justice, as stated in the strategic plan, and give young students a positive memory of the College for when they return for university. A number of specialists, elders, etc, will assist in providing teaching and programming. The goal is to recruit 15-20 students by sending word out to local schools, churches, and community centres. Posters and fliers are available.
Bursar

Bursars’ report to Assembly May 18th, 2016

Financial
Audit preparations are nearly complete, and the audit will take place on June 13th. Preliminary results for March 31st show that we will have relatively small deficit compared to what we faced when the fall term began. By keeping costs low and doing our best to maximize revenue streams such as catering and café sales, we were able to minimize the effect of the disappointing summer.

Summer conferences
We currently have around 25 students staying in the residence for May and June, and then will see a significant influx of groups for July and August. MITT, IEP, Healthquest Career Camp, and a Mathematics Camp will all be arriving at various times to boost our occupancy levels.

College Branding & Logo
We have hired Frank Reimer who teaches design at Red River College to renew our logo and marketing materials in advance of the 150th Anniversary, Capital Campaign, and beyond. It has been a good number of years since any changes were made, and this is an appropriate time for the College to experience a refresh. We will be careful to maintain aspects of the current logo, recognizing that we are a historic and long standing institution. The basis for the design will be to model it after the recent work that has been done to re-write the strategic plan and vision for St John’s. The message and visual cues exhibited by the logo will attempt to reflect those values, and provide a cohesive, consistent and recognizable brand for the College and what it represents.

Dean of Residence

Dean of Residence Report
Residence Projects
Carl came in to do all the touch-up painting at the end of April/beginning of May. Physical Plant is currently working on the hot water heater, so we’re running on two back up heaters until approximately May 20. Ivan and Ian are consulting with contractors regarding renovations to Apartment 99 (the last spot in the residence that still has carpet) and the Housekeeping Office. Once the renovations are completed, Ian Park will be moving into the Housekeeping Office, and Housekeeping will be sharing the Don’s Office.

Summer Semester
We have approximately 28 residents for the months of May and June (5-6 IEPs and 22-24 regular students). Activity picks up in July and August, when we have a number of different groups (IEP, MITT, Math Camp, Health Quest Career Camp) coming in. There are also five non-residents paying for meal plans.
Residence Activity
Move out day on April 26th was very successful, with all residents moved out by noon. Right now the residence is very quiet, as there are very few students at the moment.
Development Officer

Development Officer Report to Assembly
May, 2016

Fundraising
- Received a $5,000 sponsorship for the Health Quest Career Camp.
- Received a $3,500 grant from the Diocese of Rupert's Land for the Social Justice Camp.
- Two grant requests have been sent to raise money for the new chairs in the Daily Bread.
- Increased annual giving by 20% from 2015 to 2016 fiscal year.
- Total funds raised in 2015/16 was $179,461
- Two new Bursaries and one new Scholarship were established this past year.

Alumni/Stewardship
- Continuing to visit with Johnians.
- Trust reports to individuals who have scholarship funds here at the college will be mailed out in May

Special Events
- The Lunch and Lively Conversation held in April was a great success. The next one will be held in September.
- 150th Anniversary Celebrations start officially in November.

Marketing/Communications
- The latest issue of In Lumine has been mailed out
- Annual Report To Donors is almost ready to be mailed
- Exploring the possibility of Free Press insert for the 150th anniversary.

Staffing
- We have received a grant for a summer student from Canada Summer jobs. The grant covers a period of 9 weeks.

Misc
- Jill and I are attending the CAGP conference to be held here at the College on the 1st June
- Jill and I have reviewed the year and started planning Development Office activities for 2016/2017.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jackie Markstrom
10th May, 2016

Registrar

Recruitment

HeadStart (June 4, 2016) formerly called the Parent's Program, where in-coming first-years and their parents come to campus for orientation to the campus and services offered. We will have
an information table in the Info Village in the University Centre, as well as one in the Galleria as a lot of orientation events are held in the Schultz Lecture Theatre.

JumpStart (September 6 & 7) will run concurrently with the University Orientation. The University of Manitoba Orientation days are divided up so that the students only attend one of the two days, divided by program. We have arranged that as many of the incoming St John’s College members as possible be scheduled to attend Orientation on September 6th so that following their orientation, they can attend JumpStart.

We will again have an information table for Orientation in the Info Village and in the Galleria.

b) Report from Senior Stick

c) Reports from College Committees
Finance Committee: Met with the investment manager. Things are stable and producing enough gains for us to consistently award scholarships at our 4% rate.

7. Adjournment
MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned
G. Bak / C. Morrison
CARRIED
Motion from Membership:

**Motion**: to recommend to Assembly that **Marieke Dhont** be elected as a Visiting Fellow for the term **October 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017**.

Dr. Marieke Dhont recently completed her doctoral degree in Belgium and was awarded a joint degree as Doctor in Religious Studies from the KU Leuven and Doctor in Theology at the Université catholique de Louvain. The title of her dissertation is “The Language and Style of Old Greek Job in Context.” Her work focuses on the Old Greek translation of the Hebrew book of Job. Greek Job is known as the most freely translated book in the corpus of the Greek Bible. Scholars have regarded this freedom as marking a cultural transition away from Judaism towards Hellenism. Dr. Dhonte currently holds a research position at the Université catholique de Louvain until September 30, 2016 and will be in Winnipeg for the following nine months. While in Winnipeg, her goal is to revise my dissertation for publication, as well as to submit two articles, which are currently awaiting final redaction.
St John’s College – Standing Committees (2016-2017)

Art, Music, Social
Warden
Dean of Studies

Art
Curator, L. Roberts (2016-2017)

Student Art Exhibit
E. Alexandrin (2016-2017)
S. Fisher (fall 2016)
M. Minor (2016-2017)
M. Dhont (2016-2017)
S. Close (2016-2017)

Music
Music Fellow, K. Markstrom

Social
Soup and Bread
Jade Weimer (fall 2016)
Erin Millions (winter 2017)

Assembly Executive
(4 members elected by Assembly for 3-year or lesser terms; at least one shall be a student)
Warden
Dean of Studies
Dean of Theology
Chair: S. Sinclair (fall 2016)
L. Kuffert (winter 2017)
R. Coutts (2016-2017)
L. Roberts (2016-2017)
Student: (Senior Stick)

Assembly Representatives on Faculty of Theology
(2 members appointed by Assembly upon the nomination of the Dean of Theology)
Suspended

Council Representatives
(6 members appointed by and from Assembly, of whom at least 1 shall be a College Fellow and at least 1 shall be a student)
J. Dueck (2016-2017)
L. Wilkinson (fall 2016)
L. Roberts (winter 2017)
R. Coutts (2016-2017)
D. Watt (2016-2017)
D. Lee (student) (2016-2017)

Finance and Administration
(3 members elected by Assembly)
(A = Assembly, C = Council)
Chancellor
Vice Chancellor
Bursar
Dean of Theology
Dean of Studies
B. Beare (C)
G. Baldwin (C)
J. James (2016-2017)
Kent Fowler (2016-2017)
D. Watt (2016-2017)
E. Jones (fall 2016)
B. Hallman (winter 2017)

Honorary Degrees
(Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor, and four members appointed annually by and from Assembly)
Chancellor
Vice-Chancellor
B. Hallman (2016-2017)
J. Edgerton (2016-2017)
N. Sinclair (2016-2017)

Membership
Warden
Dean of Studies (Chair)
L. Roberts (2016-2017)
E. Jones (fall 2016)
B. Ferguson (winter 2017)
L. Kuffert (2016-2017)
G. Bak (2016-2017)
D. McCance (2015-2016)

Religious Affairs
(2 members of Assembly, 1 Theology student, 1 other student)
Chaplain
R. Clifton (2015-2016)
S. Fisher (fall 2016)
L. James (winter 2017)
Theology student
Student

Scholarship
(4 Fellows elected by Assembly)
Warden
Dean of Studies (Chair)
Registrar
Dean of Residence
Jade Weimer (2016-2017)
N. Sinclair (2016-2017)
E. Alexandrin (2016-2017)
J. Edgerton (2016-2017)
Development Officer: (as resource)

Student Affairs
(3 students, preferably 1 day & 1 Res.
1 member of Assembly)
Warden
Dean of Studies
Dean of Residence
Registrar
Vice-Stick
S. Close (2016-2017)
Res. Student:
Day Student:
Student:

Visiting Speakers/Canadian Studies
Warden
Dean of Studies
(Chair)
L. James (2016-2017)
S. Close (2016-2017)
J. Edgerton (2016-2017)
D. Brydon (winter 2017)

Esquire Bedells
J. Weimer
M. Minor

Chair of Assembly
S. Sinclair (fall 2016)
L. Kuffert (winter 2017)
MARY AND PATRICK LEE BURSARY
Terms of Reference

Background: Mary and Pat Lee spent several years in Uganda and both are Johnians. They have created this award to assist qualified persons to respond to requests from educators or administrators in Uganda for assistance in further developing their educational institutions and programmes. A strong relationship exists between the Anglican Church of Uganda and the Anglican Diocese of Rupert's Land. This bursary was formerly known as the Uganda Bursary. Approved by Assembly September 22, 2005. Amended and Approved by Assembly Executive in Assembly’s name February 23, 2009. Ratified by Assembly on April 29, 2009. A second amendment made in 2015: To revise the criteria so that the Bursary can be awarded to a student of Fisher Branch (Kalagala) High School in Uganda. As per discussions with daughters Laura-Anne Fink and Suzanne Wray.


Amount to be Awarded: As per College policy.

Criteria:
Preference will be given to:
- Must be a St John's College member. A graduate of St John's College may be considered.
- Must have a confirmed position in an educational institution in Uganda or an internship with a Non Governmental Organization (NGO) or be enrolled in a programme offered by the UofM.
- Must be travelling to Uganda to share expertise in fields such as education, theology, medicine, architecture and engineering to offer help to develop the skills of Ugandans, and encourage them in their work.
- Must be travelling within 12 months of the April 1st deadline (April 1st of current year to March 31st of next year).
- Financial need will be considered.

IF NO APPLICANT THEN:
- Must be a student of Fisher Branch (Kalagala) High School in Uganda.
- Must have completed Grade 13
- Must be attending University in Uganda
- Preference will be given to a student entering into a programme in Education.
- Preference will be given to a School sponsored student and financial need will be considered.

Selection of Recipient:
Based on the above criteria one recipient, and one alternate, are to be selected by the administration and staff at the school. The school will contact St John’s College and arrangements will be made to transfer the funds to the school for distribution to the student.

Method of Payment: Funds will be made available to the successful applicant via money transfer to the school.

Application Deadline: April 15.

Notification: The Recipient will be declared by the school at their annual graduation. Recipient name will be printed in the convocation programme of St John’s College.

Special Note: This award will be reviewed every three years to ensure that it continues to be relevant and to determine if the terms need to be revised.

Approved by the Scholarship Committee on February 5, 2009.
Approved by Assembly Executive in Assembly’s name on February 23, 2009. Ratified by Assembly April 29, 2009.
St John’s College
Warden’s Report to Assembly
September 20, 2016

I was on administrative leave from April 18 until August 12. During this time I was able to complete the manuscript for my book “Stairway to Heaven: Religious Change in North Baffin Island” although it still needs some heavy editing. I also attended a six-week course on Mozart, and day courses on Manitoba owls and fly-fishing. We were on holiday to the West Coast between July 10 and August 9. Despite the leave I was involved in a number of activities on behalf of the College and the University:

1) Organized the “Becoming the Story We Tell” workshop for November 19 with the Centre for Christian Studies.
2) Volunteered at the West Broadway Community Ministry High Tea fundraiser.
3) Attended two thesis proposal defenses (April 25, June 3).
4) Examined two Master’s theses (June 21, June 27).
5) Met twice with our consultants working on finding funding for the residence (May 5, June 10).
6) Driver for participants in the “Engage Difference: Deepening Understanding of Intercultural Ministry” program sponsored by the College.
7) Attended Diocesan Council in Kenora – May 28
8) Attended funeral for Bill Pickering (June 14)
9) Met with consultant on rebranding (August 16, 24)
10) Attended Canada Summer Jobs Bar-B-Q with Terry Duguid (August 18)
11) Worked with Bishop on Theological Report Implementation Committee
12) Attended Native Studies Department Retreat (Sept 1, 2)
13) Met with Chaplaincy Advisory Group (Sept 12)
This year is the 150th anniversary of St. John’s College and we are planning a number of events to mark the occasion. We are currently getting our fall programming underway and below are items which have been scheduled so far. Please consult the College website for details.

In terms of College membership, so far we have elected four new Visiting Fellows to the College. We are pleased to welcome:

## New Fellows

### Visiting Fellows

a) **Dr. Jason Edgerton** is an Associate Professor in the Department of Sociology and his work examines aspects of social inequality including relationships between education and social inequality, gender issues and race/ethnicity. Several of his publications deal with how disparities in educational outcomes are related to disparities in quality of life. Dr. Edgerton is currently developing a joint research program with Lance Roberts focusing on youth studies, looking at issues of youth gambling, online gaming and alcohol use and the effects on the well-being of undergraduate university students. Jason is co-author of: Roberts, L.W., Edgerton, J.D., Peter, T., & Wilkinson, L. (2015). *Understanding Social Statistics*. Toronto: Oxford University Press, and has authored more than two dozen articles, book chapters, research reports and government reports.

b) We are pleased to have **Dr. Kent Fowler**, Assistant Professor in the Department of Anthropology, back at St. John’s College after a long absence. Kent currently directs two SSHRC and University of Manitoba funded research projects in Southern Africa. The first looks at the use of material culture as a method of generating social identity in the past, and the second examines the rise and collapse of the Zulu kingdom in the nineteenth century. Besides these on-going projects, Dr. Fowler collaborates on a SSHRC Partnership Grant at the site of Tel es-Safi, Israel, where he examines ceramic evidence for craft specialization during the development of this 5000 year-old city. Kent runs the Ceramic Technology Laboratory in Anthropology, has published three books and more than two dozen refereed journal articles/book chapters and book reviews. Glad to have you back at the College!

c) **Dr. Leslie James** is currently a Leverhulme Early Career Fellow at the University of Birmingham and will be based in Winnipeg while completing research and writing for her current Leverhulme Trust funded project, ‘Transatlantic Passages: empire, nationalism, and the African and Caribbean press, 1935-1960.’ Her research interests consider the political and intellectual history of the African diaspora under three major themes: race, print media and the flexibility of ideas and networks within black political
thought and activism. Her first book, *George Padmore and Decolonisation from Below* (2015) uses the life and work of the seminal pan-Africanist George Padmore to look at such issues. Her current project analyses British West African and West Indian newspapers in a regional and global political context.

d) Dr. **Niigaan Sinclair** is an Associate Professor in the Department of Native Studies. Dr. Sinclair’s work falls into four different categories: *The Role of Narratives and Literatures in Communities, The Vitality and Importance of Indigenous Politics and History, The Cultural and Communal Revitalization of Communities* and *The Contributions of Indigenous Masculinities*. Niigaan has a long list of publications and grants and currently collaborates with Dr. John Loxley (Principal Investigator) on a **SSHRC Partnership Grant (7 years, $2.5 million)** “Partnering for Change -- Community Based Solutions for Aboriginal and Inner-city Poverty.”

**Returning Fellows**

We are happy to have Visiting Fellows, **Susie Fisher** and **Erin Millons** back at the College and look forward to hearing more about their recent work.

**Departures from the College.**

**Amy Scott** has accepted a position a tenure track appointment in the Department of Anthropology at the University of New Brunswick.

**Paul Jenkins** is now employed at the Institute for the Humanities.

**Jonathan Peyton** has moved to new office space in the Clayton Riddell Faculty of the Environment.

**Bruce Erickson** has also moved to new space in the Riddell Faculty.

**Sandie Kouritzin** has an office in Education now.
Retired Fellows

Our Retired Fellows’ offices are located on the third floor of the old wing, and the offices of David Arnason, Jim Dean, Anthony Waterman, Rod Clifton, Mary Kinnear, Kathryn Young, Dennis Cooley, David Punter, Robert Thomas, George Baldwin, Francis Carroll and Gerry Friesen can be found across from the library.

Resignation

Our Chaplain, Allison Courey, has resigned from the College and has accepted a position in communications at Canadian Mennonite University. It will be hard to Allison’s shoes and while we search for another person Allison has agreed to help with Bible and Breakfast and some of the other fall events that have already been organized.

We thank Allison for her three years of hard work on behalf of the College and wish her every success at CMU.

Library

Our friend and long-time employee of St. John’s College Library, Amrit Chhina, has accepted another position in the library system but will be back at the College library from time to time so we will still be able to stay in touch. Shaun Mulvey will be our new library assistant.

Upcoming Events for Fall 2016

Soup and Bread Lecture Series. We are now organizing our Soup and Bread lectures, where speakers are invited to give short presentations on their research interests in the Senior Common Room. Presentations are generally twenty minutes long and are followed by a short question period. This year, Jade Weimer will be coordinating the fall lectures and Erin Millions will coordinate the winter lectures. Everyone is welcome to attend. Free soup, bread and salad!

Wednesday, September 14th, Barbeque. Our annual free barbeque is jointly sponsored with St. Paul’s College. This year St Paul’s College hosted the event.

Wednesday, September 14th Opening of Term Reception. We had our opening of term reception in the Senior Common Room from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. and Ian Park’s Food Services provided us with another lovely offering featuring an assortment of canapés and wine.

Saturday, Sept 17 Sept. 17th, 9:00a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Bible and Breakfast with Dr David Lappano. St John’s College in the Quiet Room, Cost: $12 and students free Contact Allison.Chubb@umanitoba.ca or (204) 474-7980

Tuesday, Sept 20th, 2:30 p.m. Assembly meeting.

Thursday, Sept. 22, 12:00p.m. Organ and Flute Recital at St John’s College Chapel
Organ: Mike Cutler and Flute: Charmaine Bacon. Open to the public, donations accepted
Contact John Tanner at eviejohnt@shaw.ca or (204) 488-4076

Friday, Sept. 23rd, 12:00p.m. - 2:00p.m. Lunch & Lively Conversation with Pat Bovey, “SJC: A Visionary Collection” at St John’s College, Quiet Room. Cost of the lunch by donation
Contact Jill.Stafford@umanitoba.ca or (204) 474-7980

Sunday, Sept. 25th, 3:00 p.m. Matriculation. St. John’s College Chapel. New members are welcomed to the college at our annual Matriculation ceremony where they receive a pin and sign a College membership registry which dates back until 1866. This year the Fellows will be paid their annual College salary of $1.00. Only those in attendance will be paid. Anyone who has not Matriculated is invited to come sign the 1866 registry book. Contact Sherry.Peters@umanitoba.ca

Sunday, Oct. 2nd, 7:00 p.m. SJC Chapel/ All The King’s Men. Contact Charles Horton@umanitoba.ca or (204) 474-9547

Saturday, Oct. 15th, 9:00am - 11:30am Bible and Breakfast with Lorraine McKenzie–Shepherd. St John’s College in the Quiet Room Cost: $12 and students free
Contact Allison.Chubb@umanitoba.ca or (204) 474-7980

Tuesday, October 18th 2:30 p.m. Assembly Meeting. All Fellows should attend.

Wednesday, Nov. 2nd Celebrating Excellence at St. John’s College. 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. We will be hosting another reception to recognize the outstanding achievements of our Fellows. In addition to acknowledging new publications, this year we will also be including distinctions such as teaching, academic, professional and community awards. Don’t be shy about informing me of your accomplishments since we all want to celebrate your success. A memo will be sent out in early October requesting information.

A table of sample publications will also be set up the following week at Convocation. Members of the public pay a lot of attention to this display and are always interested in speaking to the authors, so attend Convocation if you can.

Sunday, November 6th : St. John’s College 150th Convocation
11:00 a.m. Founders and Benefactors Service . St. John’s College Chapel

12:45-2:00 p.m. Friends of St. John’s College Luncheon. Celebrating our Grads and Award Winners. Contact Jill.Stafford@umanitoba.ca or (204) 474-7381

3:00 p.m. 150th Convocation ceremony . St. John’s College Chapel. Reception to follow. This is a special, formal event of the College when we will confer an Honorary Doctor of Canon Law on Mr. Piita Irniq and make Ms. Faye Thomson and Honorary Fellow, present student scholarships and bursaries and celebrate the achievements of all College members. Convocation is the single most important institutional event of the year and it is important that as many Fellows as possible attend. Invitations will be sent to Fellows early in the term,
Sunday, November 6th, 7:00p.m. All The Kings Men at St John’s College Chapel
Contact Charles Horton@umanitoba.ca or (204) 474-9547

Friday, November 11th Remembrance Day Service “Honoring those who served.”

Saturday, Nov. 19th, 9:00a.m. - 11:30a.m. Bible and Breakfast with The Revd Dr David Widdicombe. St John’s College in the Quiet Room, Cost: $12 and students free
Contact Allison.Chubb@umanitoba.ca or (204) 474-7980

Sunday, Nov. 27th, 3:00p.m. Advent Service at St John’s College Chapel. Reception to follow service.

Sunday, Dec. 4th, 7:00p.m. SJC Chapel/ All The King’s Men Celebrating their 20th Anniversary as a choir. Contact Charles Horton@umanitoba.ca or (204) 474-9547

Wednesday, December 7th. End of term reception in the Senior Common Room from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 10th. St John’s College Annual Xmas Party. Children and grandchildren of St. John’s Fellows are invited to the annual party which features games, crafts, gifts, food and a special visit from St. Nicholas.

It promises to be a busy fall with lots of engaging events.

Brenda Cantelo
Dean of Studies
Bursar’s report to Assembly September 20th, 2016

Financial

On Friday, the Finance & Admin Committee met and recommended to Council the approval of the 2015-2016 audited financial statements, and recommended the re-appointment of BDO as the auditors for 2016-17.

We are still working on our August Financial Statements, so final numbers for the summer are not available. However, based on our numbers I anticipate we will be close to our summer budget targets. We had a good first year working with Manitoba Institute for Technology & Trade, and are going to try to grow that relationship going forward. We also had strong numbers in August from IEP, a solid base of regular students throughout the summer, 38 students for a Math Camp, and of course the Health Quest Career Camp for students from northern communities which continues to be a good experience for the students.

Building items

The academic office’s hallway painting project has been completed, and door signs are in the process of being put back on. A new selection of art will also be hung, focusing on the College’s Aboriginal art collection.

A number of improvements were made in the residence over the summer, including a complete renovation of the last remaining apartment that needed to be updated. Now, all of the single rooms and apartments have been refreshed and/or renovated. We’re in the process of putting new flooring in the residence dining room as well, and replacing the old chairs.

St John’s College logo and re-branding

During the summer, the sub-committee that included representation from Assembly, Council, and Administration worked with Frank Reimer to re-design the St John’s logo and associated design elements. This will coincide with the launch of the 150th anniversary celebrations of the college, and be an extremely important tool to use for recruitment, communicating with alumni, and in a potential upcoming Capital Campaign.

Staff update

While Diana DeFoort is on a temporary leave, we are very pleased that Lesley Cowan is able to fill in part time as the Faculty Assistant. Lesley is a former long term employee, as well as a former resident. It’s been great having her back at St John’s.
Dean of Residence Report

Residence Projects
There was a lot of activity in the residence this summer. Apartment 99 was renovated and looks absolutely spectacular. The dining hall was painted and the flooring will be replaced in the room soon. The housekeeping office was renovated so Ian Park could work closer to the kitchen, and housekeeping moved into the don’s office, which now has new carpeting, paint and furniture.

Regular Semester
As of September 15th, we are full! IEP has stopped contracting with us, but we’ve made up the difference with students in Rudy Subedar’s transition program for First Nations students – 10 students from Sapotaweyak and 2 from Cross Lake. The residence is 55% international, 36% first years, and we have a slightly better male/female ratio (32 women instead of the 27 we had last year). We also have four refugee students staying with us this year – two from Syria and two from South Sudan. One of the Syrian students was sponsored by the college, and the other three are supported by WUSC.

Summer Session
This summer was fairly quiet. We accommodated 15 students doing the Explore program through the Manitoba Institute of Trades and Technology. This was a new partnership and it went well. There was also Health Career Quest Camp and Math Camp for teens, which each ran for about a week. August was very busy, with IEP taking up all the empty spaces.

Residence Activity
For the 2016-2017 academic year, the dons are:

- Momo Watanabe (Sr. Don)
- Morgan Taverner
- Shaylan Cottick
- Tino Hove

They’ve already proven themselves to be hard workers and great leaders, and I’m excited to work with them this year!

Res Council is holding elections as I write this report. The executive currently consists of Florian Schwickart and Nour El Abd as Co-Presidents and Riley Coulter as Financial Officer. They will bring on a Communications Officer as well as floor reps in this election. The boys have a lot of energy and I’m excited (though a little apprehensive!) to see what they do.
Development Officer Report to Assembly
September 2016

**Fundraising**
- Currently fundraising for new chairs for the Daily Bread
- Working on Capital Campaign

**Alumni/Stewardship**
- Continuing to visit with Johnians.
- Chris and I travelled to Brandon for donor visits
- Trip to Montreal/Ottawa/Kingston being planned

**Special Events**
- The Lunch and Lively Conversation will be held Friday, 23rd September
- Homecoming dinner is on Saturday 24th September

**Marketing/Communications**
- The latest issue of In Lumine has been mailed out
- Launching social media on the 19th September with two Tweets and one Instagram Monday to Friday. Many thanks to Caileigh for her knowledge, help and support.

**Staffing**
- Our summer student worked out so well that we have hired her to work 2-4 hrs a week in the Development Office until Christmas.
- We were successful in our bid for a work/study student and are waiting to see if there are any applicants.

**Misc**
- Marjorie Ward (nee Webster) memorial service will be held at the College on Saturday 1st October. She is fondly remembered by many Johnians and it is appropriate for her service to be held at the College.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jackie Markstrom
10th May, 2016
Registrar’s Report
September 2016

HeadStart (June 4, 2016) formerly called the Parent’s Program, where in-coming first-years and their parents come to campus for orientation to the campus and services offered. We had an information table in the Info Village in the University Centre, as well as one in the Galleria as a lot of orientation events are held in the Schultz Lecture Theatre. Signage advertising our scholarships and bursaries, as well as our basket of chocolate was a great draw to our table.

JumpStart (September 6 & 7) ran concurrently with the University Orientation. This year, we made JumpStart a requirement for first-year Residence students. This increased attendance on the first day, but attendance dropped significantly on the second day. Myself, the Bursar, Dean of Residence, and the Senior Stick, are evaluating JumpStart, to find a way to make it more attractive and most helpful to students.

U of M Orientation (September 6 & 7) Once again we had an information table set up in the Info Village on the Curry Pedway. There seemed to be fewer students on the first day than the second day. Again, chocolate was a good draw. In exchange for the chocolate, the students had to take some information and find out the benefits of membership. This seemed to be the most successful strategy yet.

Matriculation (September 25) This year, Matriculation will be on Sunday, September 25, 2016, in the College Chapel, at 3:00 pm. If you are planning to attend and you have not yet told me, please do so immediately after the meeting so I can order gowns. For the new Fellows, this is your opportunity to sign your name in the College Register, dating back to 1866.

Convocation (November 6) Mark the date! Sunday, November 6, 2016, is our 150th Convocation! You should have all received your invitations. If you have not yet replied to me, please do so before October 7.

Sherry Peters
Registrar
1. Jumpstart Highlights
2. Possible Student Lounge Renovations
3. Upcoming Programming Events
4. Council Retreat Highlights
5. Council Meeting & Upcoming Events (Dr. Trott’s Dinner)

Thank you!
Daniel Lee