ST JOHN’S COLLEGE ASSEMBLY MINUTES

For the meeting of Tuesday October 24, 2006


1. Opening Prayer
   J. Stafford opened the meeting with prayer.

2. Approval of the Agenda
   Add “membership nominations” as item 5.d).

   MOTION: That the agenda be approved as amended 
   R. Thomas/R. Ellis
   CARRIED

3. Approval of the Minutes from the Meeting of September 19, 2006 (attachment 1 to the agenda)
   Add M. Benbow to the “present” section at the top of the minutes.

   MOTION: That the agenda be approved as corrected. 
   G. Friesen/S. Alward
   CARRIED

4. Business Arising from the Minutes
   a) Membership on Committees of Assembly
      Dennis Cooley’s re-appointment to the scholarship committee was inadvertently left off the list of membership on committees of Assembly at the September Assembly meeting. Therefore Assembly Executive made the following motion:

      MOTION: That Dennis Cooley be re-appointed to the Scholarship Committee for a three year terms ending June 30, 2009. 
      W. Norton on behalf of Assembly Executive
      CARRIED

   b) Sibyl Inkster Centennial Award Term Revisions (attachment to the agenda 2)
      We approved these terms at the last meeting, however, they copy that was circulated with the agenda was not the correct copy.

      MOTION: That the Sibyl Inkster Centennial Award Term Revisions be approved. 
      G. Baldwin on behalf of the Scholarship Committee
      CARRIED

5. New Business
   a) Budget Summary (attachment 3 to the agenda)
      The budget summary was received.

   b) Fellows Recognition Award Committee
      MOTION: That Assembly reps. Rod Clifton, Dennis Cooley, Patrick McLenehan (student) and member at large, B. Beare be appointed to sit on the Fellows’ Recognition Award Committee for the 2007 search. 
      W. Norton on behalf of Assembly Executive
      CARRIED
c) Chapel Use Guidelines and Policy *(attachment 4 to the agenda)*

The Chapel use guidelines were approved at the September 2006 Council meeting and were circulated to Assembly as information.

d) Fellowship Nominations

**MOTION:** That we move into closed session.
G. Baldwin/J. Hoskins

**MOTION:** That we move out of closed session.
G. Baldwin/J. Hoskins

**CARRIED**

**Secretary’s Note:** During closed session the following motions were approved:

**MOTION:** That Reg Horne (Canadian Studies) be elected a Visiting Fellow for the 2006/2007 academic year.
G. Baldwin on behalf of the Membership Committee

**CARRIED**

**MOTION:** That Mary-Jane McCallum (History) and Ryan Eyford (History) be elected Research Fellows for the 2006/2007 academic year.
G. Baldwin on behalf of the Membership Committee

**CARRIED**

6. Reports from College Committees

a) Scholarship Committee - Award Recipient Report *(attachment 5 to the agenda)*

On January 16, 2001, Assembly authorized the Scholarship Committee to act in its name with respect to selection of recipients of individual scholarships, bursaries, awards, and prizes, and to report its actions at the following meeting of Assembly. The latest report was circulated with the agenda.

7. Reports from College Officers

a) Warden

J. Hoskins submitted the following written report for the minutes:

*Registration of the SJC Coat of Arms*

The Canadian Heraldic Authority of The Office of the Chancellor of Honours, Rideau Hall, invited us to register our coat of arms with the Canadian Heraldic Authority. We have just received our registration certificate which will be displayed in due course.

*Thursday Night Musical Evenings in the Café*

On October 4, we had our first musical evening in the Daily Bread Café. The performance that evening was jazz. It was excellent and there were about 50 people in attendance. The second Thursday was opera which was outstanding. There were about the same number of attendees. The Manitoban contained an extremely positive review of the opera night. The third night, as per the set schedule, was jazz – also very good. I couldn't stay for the entire time but I believe that attendance was a little less than the previous two Thursdays. This Thursday will be "new music". There are a lot of people talking about this initiative and we felt that it will take a bit of time to build. It is well worth checking it out.

*140th Birthday and J. Bumsted Book Launch*

You will have received an invitation to the birthday party and book launch next Wednesday (November 1st). There will be a brief program of greetings from the university and the provincial government and some words from Jack Bumsted, the author of St John's College: The Origin of Higher Education in Western Canada. This will be followed by light refreshments and the cutting (and eating) of a birthday cake.

Earlier this week, I received an e-mail from the Director of Libraries with a preliminary appraisal of our rare books that are housed in the U of M rare books room. The appraisal is "at just under $500,000 plus the Bible". I am expecting to receive a copy of the actual appraisal shortly.
b) Dean of Studies
G. Baldwin reported that the college held a prairie supper dining-in on September 29 called “Lost Humour of the Prairies” which was very well attended. The program consisted of: 4 Musical Diversions by Geoff Woodcroft and Paul Lampman; “Lost Aspects of Mennonite Humour” by Peter Penner; “News Flash; Prairie Anthropologist Discovers Lost Funny bone in the Canadian Prairies” by Kent Fowler and “maybe it’s Behind the Barn: Looking for Lost Prairie Humour” by Len Kuffert.

On the College’s birthday, Wednesday November 1, 2006 an award reception will be held for the 2006 award winners from 3:30 - 5:30. All Fellows and staff are invited to attend.

c) Dean of Theology
J. Stafford reported that classes are proceeding and continuing well.

d) Bursar
I. Froese reported that:

Lecture Theatre
We have received confirmation from the Architects that they will be prepared to present the final drawings to College Council at the meeting of November 29th. After which, Council will recommend whether or not to put the project out to tender.

Budget
As noted at the previous meeting, Conference revenue met it’s budgeted targets and that is reflected in the budget summary that was circulated with the agenda. Additionally, although the full term has just begun, more current numbers indicate that we are on pace to meet the budget targets for regular session as well. Residence is for all intents and purposes full, and Food Services (cafe & catering) is very busy.

Maintenance
We are currently in the process of arranging to have some work done in the General Office. Re-carpeting and painting will hopefully be done before the Christmas break, and repainting is also planned for the Quiet Room and the CCR. Funding for these projects will come from carry-over money on our University budget from 2005-2006, and must be spent on University related projects. We are also planning to dismantle and remove the wooden lockers located just outside the Student Council Office, and relocate the gowns that were held there to our new storage room beside the Grad Carrel room. If there are sufficient funds remaining in our carry-over balance we will also explore the possibility of carpeting the area outside of the Student Council Office using left over carpet tiles from the Academic Wing, and re-painting the walls. The funds being used for these projects were originally earmarked to upgrade the CCR by installing a moveable, sliding wall system that would have allowed us from time to time split the CCR into two meeting areas, but Physical Plant determined that this was not feasible due to structural issues located in the ceiling of the CCR.

e) Chaplain & Dean of Residence
P. Lampman submitted the following written report for the minutes:

Saint John’s Residence

Spirit Cup
For the first time, the residence students are competing with the other University Residences for the Spirit Cup. Students participate in attending Bison sports games and other activities. Points are awarded for participation and attendance. We are now fourth place in the standings.

Discipline
Since our last meeting we had two disciplinary meetings with students. There was a smoking incident, and one incident involving the burning of incense. We take fire hazards very seriously and the behavior has been corrected.

Chapel Worship and Activities

Study Group
We have a Chapel study and discussion group. In the past, topics have included the Sunday Bible readings and also The Purpose Driven Life. Liberation Theology is the focus of the Wed. 4 p.m. discussion group in (room 211). We are reading selections from Who Will Roll Away the Stone? Discipleship Questions for First World Christians. We are partnering with members of the Student Christian Movement for this and for a Monday service at noon.
Memorial Services
We have had two Memorial Services, since our last meeting. The services were in memory of Dr. George Porozny (Sept. 28, 2006) and for Dr. Robert Sloan (Oct. 7, 2006).

f) Development Office
D. McLean submitted the following written report for the minutes:
The Faculty Staff fundraising campaign for the College is underway as most will be aware. To date, we have received $1830, thank you very much. This is just a reminder to let the Development Office know of your intentions please.

We recently have had a $35,000 donation and a $25,000 pledge for the Capital Campaign. The total response to date to our September mailing, with calls made by our Phone Centre, totals $41,000 to date (this includes the $25,000 pledge already mentioned). It appears that our alumni and friends are responding positively to our request for additional funds for the Lecture Theatre.

In total, the Capital Campaign has over $2.0 million donated and pledged.

g) Librarian
Richard submitted the following written report for the minutes:

1. The St. John’s College Library has expended about 35% of its book budget for 2006 – 2007. There is about $14,000 remaining to be expended or committed before the end of December. College members are welcome to bring suggestions for purchase to the attention of the College librarian.

2. Circulation of College Library materials numbered 771 items in September. This contrasts to 1,087 loans during September of 2005. Thus number of circulations this September is down 21.8% from September of last year, for reasons unknown.

3. The College Library is in the process of developing a plan by which it will receive automatic notification concerning the publication of new books in various areas of religion. This should enable the Library to better ensure that it is meeting its collecting responsibilities.

4. An upgrade to the U. of M. Libraries automated circulation system took place the week of October 9 – 13. During the time of the upgrade, some of the normal functions did not work. Thus some College members may have noticed that, for a few days, they did not receive notifications of the arrival of materials requested from other libraries, nor did they receive notification of impending overdue books charged to their accounts.

5. As is quite possibly now well known to most College members, the U. of M. Library system introduced an ‘authentication’ procedure in September that necessitates use of ID number and password when logging onto various Libraries resources. This process was introduced to enhance the security of these resources and to bring the Libraries in line with procedures previously adopted by the Computer Centre.

h) Registrar
E. Palamar reported that she is busy preparing for the college’s 140th convocation which will take place Sunday November 5, 2006.

8. Any Other Business
a) Report from the Senior Stick
P. McLenehan submitted the following written report for the minutes:

Room 110
We are planning on turning the former student lounge (room 110) into an open study room for students. Thanks to Bruce Mahaffy for all his hard work

Spirit Cup
The Residence Co-Presidents have reported to me that the Residence is doing very well in the spirit cup.
Corn maze/Book at the Zoo
We cancelled going to the Corn maze this year due to lack of interest and poor timing. Instead we will be going to Boo at the Zoo this Thursday night. Tickets are $10 and can be purchased in the SJC General Office.

Iggles
Iggles (the student newspaper) comes out at the end of this month

Council Office
New couches will be going into our new council office this term hopefully. The new location of the council office is very popular among students.

Movie Days
Movie days will be beginning this month in the new council office.

9. Adjournment
   MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned.
   G. Baldwin/S. Alward

Official Copy of the minutes is signed by the chair and secretary and kept in the Registrar’s office.

Chair
Secretary
Date
November 23, 2006

Dr. Leo Mol
c/o Alison Loch
Loch Gallery Inc.
306 St Mary’s Road
Winnipeg, MB R2H 1J8

Dear Dr. Mol:

As you are aware, the St John’s College Assembly indicated to the Chancellor a desire that you be admitted as an Honorary Fellow of St John’s College, a petition to which he has readily agreed.

At our 140th annual convocation, held on Sunday November 5, Professor Sharon Alward, Senior Fellow of the College, spoke about your great achievements to all those in attendance at the ceremony and also presented publicly the Petition of Assembly that you be admitted as an Honorary Fellow of St John’s College. We were so sorry that your health did not permit you to be present to receive this honour on that day.

Since you were unable to be with us on that date, our Chancellor, the Right Reverend Donald Phillips, announced to the convocation that he looked forward to awarding you the Honorary Fellowship at a later date. Since it appears that this will not now be possible, Bishop Phillips has agreed, as permitted by our Statutes, that you be admitted as an Honorary Fellow in absentia.

Recipients of a St John’s College Honorary Fellowship are selected from people who are distinguished contributors to the Church, Country or to the College and University life in General. The Assembly of St John’s College felt that you were a very fitting recipient of this honour and wishes to recognize your extraordinary contributions through your art, including the sculpture that adorns the St John’s College chapel.

I have enclosed your Honorary Fellowship certificate, a St John’s College pin, the introduction that Professor Sharon Alward made and the recently publish book on the history of St John’s College, St John’s College, Faith and Education in Western Canada, by College Fellow Dr. J. M. Burnsted.

I would like to extend my personal congratulations and best wishes to you.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

Dr. Janet A. Hoskins
Warden and Vice-Chancellor
**Budget Summary @ November 30, 2006**

### EXPENDITURES

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**TOTAL EXPENDITURES**

|                      | 1,883,731  | 1,090,760  | 1,138,672  | 1,908,271 |

**TOTAL EXPEND. (Ex. Theol.)**

|                      | 1,712,463  | 987,835    | 1,029,759  | 1,731,600 |

**TOTAL EXP (ex.Thoe1.&CapC.)**

|                      | 1,699,255  | 985,288    | 1,019,293  | 1,725,500 |

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**Subtotal**

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**Theology**

|                      | 1,724,754  | 1,271,014  | 1,277,045  | 1,741,576  |

**TOTAL SOURCES**

|                      | 1,899,440  | 1,314,120  | 1,291,090  | 1,906,264  |

**TOTAL SOURCES (ex. Theol.)**

|                      | 1,713,537  | 1,179,528  | 1,251,259  | 1,728,593  |

**" (ex. Theol.&Cap.C.)**

|                      | 1,713,537  | 1,179,528  | 1,251,259  | 1,728,593  |

#### CURRENT OPERATING SURPLUS

|                      | 5,709      | 223,300    | 152,418    | -3,007     |

#### CUR. OPER. SURPLUS (ex. Theol.)

|                      | 1,074      | 191,693    | 221,500    | -3,007     |

#### CUR. OPER. (ex. Th. & Cap. Camp.)

|                      | 14,282     | 194,260    | 231,966    | 3,093      |

#### ACCUM. OPER. SURPLUS

|                      | -44,107    | 214,287    | 108,311    | -47,114    |

#### AC. OP. SUR (ex. Theol.)

|                      | -55,359    | 207,622    | 156,141    | -68,365    |


|                      | 26,716     | 288,165    | 258,682    | 28,809     |
Date: November 14, 2006
To: Erin Palamar, Registrar
Cc: George Baldwin, Dean of Studies
From: Lesley Cowan, Awards Clerk
Re: 2006 Award Recipients

It was brought to my attention that I neglected to report to Assembly the award recipients and alternates who were selected by the Scholarship Committee in June 2006.

Rather than sort out which recipients have and have not been reported, I am attaching a list of all recipients and alternates for 2006. Could you report them at the next Assembly meeting?