ST JOHN’S COLLEGE COUNCIL
Agenda

For the Meeting of Wednesday, May 21, 2014

Meal at 5:30, Meeting from 6:00 in the Cross Common Room (#108)

Present: B. Beare (Chair), A. Braid, B. Cantelo, J. Bouchard, J. Ripley, S. Fisher Stoesz, A. Braid, I. Froese, C. Trott, S. Peters (Secretary), B. Pope.

Regrets: D. Phillips, B. Peeler, S. Alward

1. Opening Prayer
   The Warden opened the meeting with prayer.

2. Approval of the Agenda
   MOTION: That the agenda be approved as distributed.
   J. Ripley/C. Trott
   CARRIED

3. Approval of the March 26, 2014 Minutes
   MOTION: That the minutes of the meeting of March 26, 2014 be approved as distributed with the following amendments: 5 b, fix the typo and 5 d take out the and.
   J. Ripley/P. Brass
   CARRIED

4. Business arising from the Minutes
   a) The Warden stated that he had four submissions for honorary degree candidates.
   b) S. Fisher Stoesz joined the Theological Education Committee

5. New Business
   a) Committees of Council - MOTION: That George Baldwin and June James be reappointed to the Finance & Administration committee.
      CARRIED
      The Development office would like to take some time over the summer to reconsider the organization, tasks and responsibilities of the Development Committee.
   b) Draft meeting dates for upcoming year - The Registrar distributed the dates. MOTION: That the meeting dates for the upcoming academic year be approved as distributed.
      CARRIED
   c) Annual Report Draft - The Registrar distributed the annual report. MOTION: That the Annual report be approved as distributed with the understanding that suggested corrections be sent to the Warden and Registrar and said corrections will be made before the report is distributed publically.
      CARRIED
   d) MOTION: That we extend our condolences to Heather and Hartley Richardson on the passing of…..
      C. Trott/B. Cantelo
      CARRIED

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6. Reports from Committees, College Officers and Student Council
   a) Reports from Committees – Council Executive, Development, Finance & Admin.

   Council Executive met to set the agenda for today’s meeting.

   Finance & Admin. Met with their investment managers, it was a good meeting with growth in investments. The budgeting process was delayed as we were waiting for the University to finalize their budget. We had been expecting a 5% cut but received only a 1% cut so now we can work on the budget without further delay.

   b) Report from Assembly

   Report from SJC Assembly meeting of 13 May 2014

   • The Dean of Studies presented the following Fellowship nominations on behalf of the Membership committee; all of which were carried:
     - Lisa Alexandrin - Senior Fellow
     - Bryan Peeler - Visiting Fellow
     - Erin Millions - Visiting Fellow - 1 year term
     - Jade Weimer - Junior Fellow - 1 year term
     - 3rd and final year as Research Fellow for: Robert Coutts and Susie Fischer Stoesz
     - Amy Scott, Krista Walters, 1 year Research Fellow
     - Laurie Wilkinson - visiting 1 year
     - Murray Evans - visiting 6 months
     - Joseph Wiebe - research 6 months
     - Stephanie Pine - research 1 year;
   • The Dean of Studies presented motions from the Scholarship Committee;
   • The Dean of Studies asked that if anyone would like to nominate someone for an Honorary Fellowship to please forward their names to The Warden via e-mail;
   • The Dean of Studies presented the list of committees of Assembly for the 2014-2015 Academic year;
   • Draft meeting dates for the upcoming year were approved; and
   • Membership statistics were presented by the Registrar for Assembly’s information.

   Bryan Peeler, Chair of Assembly

   c) Report from College Officers and Student Council

   i) Warden

   Warden’s Report to Council
   May 21, 2104

   With the wind-up of Winter Term classes and the move to Summer Session the College moves into a different phase of its annual cycle. Now is the time for us to undertake many of the projects in preparation for the coming year. Looking forward I have the upcoming Senior Executive Retreat and the Heads of Anglicans Colleges.

   At this year’s Convocation, the University will be conferring an honorary degree on Israel Idonije (defensive linebacker for the Chicago Bears) who is a graduate of the College. We are hoping to reconnect with Izzie when he is on campus.

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Since the last Assembly I have undertaken the following activities:

1) The Wilmot Lectures (March 17-19): this year our three part series consisted of an Interfaith Dialogue process. Our first evening was at All Saints Church, the second at the Hindu Temple on Ste. Anne’s Road, and the third at the College. We had a consistent turnout of 35-40 for some very interesting conversations.

2) We had the last of the public theology lectures at St Margaret’s on March 20. We are currently planning the course to be offered next Fall and Winter.

3) I was in Quebec City on March 24 for a doctoral dissertation defence at Universite Laval.

4) I have been a member of the President’s Advisory Committee for the selection of a new University Librarian. As we have moved through the process this has required a considerable amount of time.

5) I have represented the College at the Centre for Christian Studies Annual Service of Celebration on March 30 and Booth University College’s Convocation on April 27.

6) I have been called to speak with the joint College and Diocesan Commission on Theological Education.

7) I represented the College at the Installation of the New Chancellor at St Paul’s College on April 6.

8) I went with Jackie to meet with Alumni and Donors in Vancouver on April 6 to 8.

9) I met with the University committee looking into the development of Daycares on campus.

10) I continue to meet with the Partners of the National Research Centre for the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

11) I attended a Department Retreat with the Native Studies Department on April 22.

12) I attended the Distinguished Alumni Awards Reception with Jackie and Bernie Beare on May 1.

13) I am working with a committee to present Engage Difference: Deepening Understanding of Intercultural Ministry as one of the College’s offerings in theology.

ii) Dean of Studies

Dean’s Report to Assembly/Council

May, 2014

Our Soup and Bread Lecture series was a great success this year and we thank Erin Millions for organizing these events and Ian Park for the delicious breads, vegetarian soups and salads.

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**Dr. Diana Brydon,** Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada, Canada Research Chair in Globalization and Cultural Studies, Professor (English, Film and Theatre) and Senior Fellow at St. John’s College has been presented with the University’s highest honour of **Distinguished Professor.** The designation is given to those with extraordinary, internationally-recognized scholarly achievements, and only twenty academic staff members can hold this elite title at any one time.

Congratulations to both Dr. Ferguson and Dr. Brydon on your outstanding accomplishments.

**Departures from St. John’s College**

Five current members of SJC will be leaving the College this summer: Visiting Fellow, Paul Dyck; Senior Fellow, Jeff Masuda; Junior Fellow, Nicole Goulet and Research Fellows, Agnes Pawlowska and Laura Reimer. We have all enjoyed having Paul, Jeff, Nicole, Agnes and Laura at St. John’s and wish them all the best with their exciting new opportunities.

New Fellows will be joining us over the next few months and will be introduced officially at the Opening of Term Reception in September.

Congratulations to Research Fellow Agnes Pawlowska and Junior Fellow Nicole Goulet on receiving tenure track positions.

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iii) Development Office

Development Officer Report to Council
May, 2014

Fundraising
• In April we mailed out a Chaplaincy Fund ask to the Anglican community. We anticipated a 5% response rate and total donations of $1600. To date we have 6.6% response rate and $1,875. We likely will receive a few more.
• Looking at potential sponsorship and foundation opportunities.

Alumni/Stewardship
• Trip to Vancouver at the beginning of April was successful in reconnecting with alumni. We had 10 people attend the get together and we visited with two other individuals.

Special Events
• The next lunch is scheduled for 10th June, 2014 and will feature Amy Scott.
• 150th Anniversary Celebrations: Bernie and I are working on the format.

Marketing/Communications
• The latest issue of In Lumine is being mailed out.
• Suggestions for stories/articles are appreciated.

Staffing
• We held a volunteer appreciation lunch for four of our five volunteers this past April.

Misc
• Continue to attend UofM External Relations and Donor Relations Department meetings.
• Jill and I have reviewed the year and started planning Development Office activities for 2014/2015.
• Will be doing a full programme evaluation in June

Respectfully submitted by:

Jackie Markstrom
6th May, 2014

iv) Dean of Residence

Ask Justin to e-mail.

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v) Chaplain

Chaplain's Report to Council, May 2014

The last couple of months have been full ones. Many students hit an intense period of stress and personal crisis in the weeks leading up to exams, so I spent my time supporting them and getting them resources. Next semester I will plan more structured group meditation sessions for the end of semester and have more resources available for students who are struggling. Justin and I are going to work on our triage system over the summer and figure out how to best serve students who have difficulty getting into the permanently back-logged counselling centre. A late night study party in residence during the first week of exams went well.

A group of new international students has moved into residence and we enjoyed making Canadian pancakes together. Our chapel service on Palm Sunday with the Friends of the College Choir, “Journey into Holy Week,” went very well. Pints & Compline has finished for the summer and will start again in September. Negotiations for an outdoor labyrinth at SJC are ongoing; we still need permission from physical plant and Jackie is graciously pursuing funding.

Over the summer, I'm spending time with international students, planning a leadership retreat for the SJCSA and a spiritual retreat in conjunction with St Paul's, planning residence programming and support for the fall (including alcohol and safe sex initiatives), putting together a new midweek dinner liturgy, and hopefully working on the labyrinth. I will also take training in suicide prevention. Plans are also beginning discussed for the implementation of a new Bible and Breakfast group in conjunction with the diocese beginning in the fall.

vi) Bursar

Ask Ivan to e-mail.

vii) Registrar

No report.

viii) Senior Stick

Senior Stick’s Report
Council, May 21, 2014

Grad
- It was a huge success. We had 16 grads. Food was delicious, people liked the grad gifts, the photobooth was really fun. Everyone had a great time!

Summer plans
Renovating the student lounge
- Over the weekend we did a major cleanup and removed a lot of junk
- Next: more cleaning, painting, and getting some new furniture (Mainly desks)

Jumpstart
- We will be combining Jumpstart with the regular university orientation days
- Uni orientation only one day for each student, so we will put all new members together and have Jumpstart on the second day separately

Student Council Retreat
- Planning a retreat at the beginning of September at Camp Arnes for the student council with Allison
- Get council off to a good start by getting to know each other better and defining goals for the year

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7. Other Business
None

8. Adjournment

MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned.
By consensus
CARRIED
ST JOHN’S COLLEGE COUNCIL
MINUTES

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Regrets: B. Peeler, S. Alward, I. Froese

1. Opening Prayer - The Warden opened the meeting with prayer.

2. Approval of the Agenda
   MOTION: That the agenda be approved as distributed.
   B. Cantelo/P. Brass
   CARRIED

3. Approval of the November 27, 2013 Minutes
   MOTION: That the minutes of November 27, 2013 be approved with the following amendments: Take out (Acting Chair) behind Don’s name), pg. 2 #7, Finance not fiance
   C. Trott/J. James
   CARRIED

4. Business arising from the Minutes
   Please note that David Watt has resigned from the theological education committee. The Warden will be looking for a replacement.

5. New Business
   a) Appoint or re-appoint a Chair - 4 Diocesan Council representatives terms expire at the end of June. It was asked that they think about continuing on Council.
   b) Budget parameters for upcoming year - MOTION FROM FINANCE AND AMDINISTRATION: That the College strike a balanced budget excluding Theology for the 2014 - 2015 year.
      CARRIED
   c) Council Membership Update - please see note in 5. a)
   d) Honorary Degrees Call for Submissions - The Warden asked members of Council to submit recommendations and suggestions for an Honorary Degree Candidates.
   e) Strategic Planning - The steering committee has met and are researching names of people to lead the strategic planning process.
   f) Theology Activities - While the Faculty of Theology has been suspended, the College has been engaged in quite a bit of activity in Theology over the past year, including lectures at St. Margaret’s which are accredited through Wycliff College, the Wilmot Lectures this year being a three day inter-faith dialogue, and a one week program at the end of June with the Center for Christian Studies,
7. **Reports from Committees, College Officers and Student Council**
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   b) **Report from Assembly**

   c) **Report from College Officers and Student Council**
   i) **Warden**

   **St John’s College**
   **Warden’s Report to Council**
   **March 26, 2014**

Since the last occasion to report to Assembly (although we did not meet), I have continued to move forward the projects on the theological courses taught with St Margaret’s Church and Wycliffe College, the Wilmot Lecture/Interfaith dialogue, and the Engaging Difference: Deepening Understanding for Intercultural Ministry with the Canadian Church’s Forum and the Centre for Christian Studies.

Although not directly related to my role as Warden I have also been the chair of the adjudication committee for the SSHRC panel on Aboriginal research as well as an external examiner for a doctoral dissertation at Universite Laval.

We have also submitted our Strategic Resource Plan (budget) to the University. We were asked to respond to a 5% cut in our budget. Fortunately for the College the University contribution to our budget is about 23% and we were able to move a number of items from the University budget line to our own College lines. This means we will have to be more vigilant in preparing our College budget but we should be able to cover the difference.

I also undertook the following activities:

1) Represented the College at the St Paul’s Day Mass and awards ceremony at St Paul’s College (Jan 26).
2) Acted as a moderator for a session at the Political Science Students’ Association conference on the Arctic (Jan 29).
3) Jackie and I went to Toronto to meet donors on Feb 4 and 5, Edmonton on February 14, and then went to Ottawa and Kingston to meet donors on March 7 and 8.
4) I did an interview with Mike Still for an article on theological education for The Manitoban.
5) I attended the Association of Theological Schools review of the program at the University of Winnipeg.
6) I presented at our first Lunch and Lively Conversation for alumni and donors on February 20.
7) I did an interview for The Uniter (U of W student newspaper) on the role of religion in contemporary post-secondary education.
8) I participated in the first Partners meeting for the National Research Centre of the TRC.
I continue to serve on the search committee for the new University Librarian, the Board of the University of Manitoba Press, the LDM working group for the Centre for Christian Studies, the Instructional Space Management Advisory Committee. I continue to represent the College at Senate, Faculty of Arts Council, and Diocesan Council.

ii) Dean of Studies

Dean's Report to Council

March 26, 2014.

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Additions to the Dean’s Report to Council. March 26, 2014
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Brenda Cantelo

iii) Development Office

Development Officer Report to Council
26th March, 2014

Fundraising
- Anticipate year end revenue of $180,000 which is below goal. To put this in perspective though the University is at about half the revenue of what it thought it would raise.
- The Fall Campaign breakdown: Overall response rate of 4.4% total raised $26,784. This is the best number we have had for a couple of years. Council response is under 50%. Ideally, the College would be financially supported by all Council members.
- Looking at potential sponsorship and foundation opportunities.

Alumni/Stewardship
- Continuing to call/visit with donors on a regular basis.
- Chris and I visited with alum and donors in Toronto from the 3rd February – Chris for 2 days myself to the end of the week and Ottawa on the 7th and 8th March.
- Last year we visited with a total of 14 out of town people so far this year we have met with 34.
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Special Events
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**Misc**

• Continue to attend UofM External Relations and Donor Relations Department meetings.
• Jill and I have reviewed the year and started planning Development Office activities for 2014/2015.
• Will be doing a full programme evaluation after the 31st March, 2014

Respectfully submitted by:

Jackie Markstrom
19th March, 2014

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iv) Dean of Residence

v) Chaplain

Our monthly Pints & Compline service at a pub in Osborne village and our monthly Eucharists continue to go well. P&C is drawing a diverse group of students- and the occasional clergyperson- from both the U of M and the U of W. We’ve tried having a small “coffee and catechesis” group biweekly, and while students were interested and came occasionally, things are getting too busy now so we’ll wind down and try again in the fall.

This month I was involved with a documentary being developed by the National Film Board for use in high school religion classes. They filmed our Eucharist and several other events at the college. The documentary, along with short films on six other religions, will be released online in May.

Students have begun coming to me to talk more regularly, which tells me that my presence at the college is becoming more known and understood. I’ve also been connecting more with international students, primarily through relationship-building, but also through a trip to Festival du Voyageur (Chinese IEP students) and a pancake supper (Japanese IEP students).
Along with the warden, John Tanner, and “the friends of the college choir”, I’m putting together a special service, “Journey into Holy Week”, for the afternoon of Palm Sunday (April 13th). It will be held at 3pm in the chapel.

We joined St Paul’s College for their Ash Wednesday service and several people from SJC went over. They welcomed us warmly as we continue to foster relationships with the chaplaincy out of SPC. Currently we’re planning a fall retreat together.

Next week, the interchaplaincy consortium will host a morning of sandwich making at university centre, putting together thousands of sandwiches for the Boys and Girls Club of Winnipeg.

vi) Bursar

Bursar’s report to Council, March 26, 2014

Work in the academic hallways is essentially complete. The only thing left is some additional signage, and the completion of the built in seating located in the hallway. All of the feedback we’ve received so far has been positive. It’s a much brighter, cleaner looking space and is much easier to maintain.

Our internal accounting software has been significantly upgraded, and is now using university resources to serve, and backup our data. We have increased our users from 2 to 3, which will allow our part time student to assist Elnora with a lot of the data entry, freeing up her time to focus on more meaningful tasks. It’s been a challenge coordinating with the various and relevant departments to make this a reality, but ultimately it will be a more secure and stable environment.

Budgeting is underway, and we anticipate having it near completion by the end of April.

Discussions with IEP are ongoing regarding their use of the residence during the summer. Initial indications are that we will once again be quite full for the majority of the summer. There are still some international groups that they are working with to finalize numbers and dates, but already they have a large number of students confirmed. Actual occupancy rates are not yet known, but they will be substantial, which will hopefully once again put us in a good position entering the regular academic session.

vii) Registrar

Recruitment:
- February 19 & 20: Info Days at the University of Manitoba. We had a booth in the info village. Traffic was slow in general in the info village. Students Andrew Prest, Wilson Wu, Stephanie George and Rajib Biswal helped out at the booth. The joint College session that we offered with St. Paul’s College and St. Andrew’s College was well attended on both days. We won the taste test on the second day. Student Shin Young Park gave a wonderful presentation on the benefits of being a member of the College. She had the students laughing and was the most natural, something the students will remember which is important when thinking about University and joining a college. Much thanks to lan and our food services team and the students who volunteered. We also had a brief information session with the students from St. John’s Ravenscourt. They loved the cookies we provided.
- March 3 – 5: Brandon Career Symposium. This year we attended the Brandon Career Symposium as a part of the University of Manitoba group. I’m not sure why this wasn’t done before. This was the best Career Symposium I have ever attended. Our booth was next to the University Residence booth which was a perfect pairing as we were there primarily to promote our Residence. Much thanks to Justin for all his work, at the Symposium. But it was very evident that we need to work on the marketing/branding of SJC, which I believe the strategic planning process will help with.

**Upcoming:**
- I’ve been promoting JumpStart already, as well as the Learning Community, but I am looking to step up awareness of and participation in those programs

Sherry Peters
Registrar

viii) Senior Stick

**Senior Stick Report: March 26, 2014**

- We hosted a social, in which we grossed nearly $900. At $5 a ticket, and $5 door entry, that accounts for 180 people attending (assuming everybody who bought a ticket attended the event). (February 8th, 2014)

- A couple SJCSA members (Dion Nemez, Adam Wilson), along with a couple St. John’s College staff members (Amy Craddock, Diana DeFoort) volunteered at Ronald McDonald house and prepared a meal for the families who were taking residence there. (February 20th, 2014)

- We hosted a karaoke event at Q Karaoke. We filled the room we booked. (February 28th, 2014)

- Nominations will be over for SJCSA positions on March 14th, and elections will be held March 18th. Most of the positions are filled for the coming year.

- Grad is planned and happening March 22, 2014.

8. **Other Business**
MOTION: To extend Council’s congratulations to Barry Ferguson and Diana Brydon on their honours.
B. Cantelo/J. McConnell
CARRIED

9. **Adjournment**
J. James/J. McConnell
CARRIED
St John’s College
2014/2015 Assembly Meeting Dates

Assembly Executive
(Warden, Dean of Studies, Dean of Theology, Chair of Assembly, four members elected by and from Assembly and a student)

Tuesday September 2, 2014 @ 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday October 7, 2014 @ 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday January 6, 2015 @ 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday March 3, 2015 @ 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday April 28, 2015 @ 2:30 p.m.

Assembly
Diocesan Council representatives on SJC Council are members of SJC Assembly.

Tuesday September 16, 2014 @ 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday October 21, 2014 @ 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday January 20, 2015 @ 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday March 17, 2015 @ 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday May 12, 2015 @ 2:30 p.m.

St John’s College
2014/2015 Council Meeting Dates

Council Executive
(Chancellor, Warden, Dean of Studies, Dean of Theology, Chair of Council and Chair of Assembly).

Tuesday September 9, 2014 @ 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday November 4, 2014 @ 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday January 13, 2015 @ 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday March 10, 2015 @ 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday May 5, 2015 @ 2:30 p.m.

Council
Diocesan Council representatives on SJC Council are members of SJC Assembly.

Wednesday September 24, 2014 @ 5:30 pm
Wednesday November 26, 2014 @ 5:30 pm
Wednesday January 28, 2015 @ 5:30 pm
Wednesday March 25, 2015 @ 5:30 pm
Wednesday May 20, 2015 @ 5:30 pm
• The Dean of Studies presented the following Fellowship nominations on behalf of the Membership committee; all of which were carried:
  Lisa Alexandrin - Senior Fellow
  Bryan Peeler - Visiting Fellow
  Erin Millions - Visiting Fellow - 1 year term
  Jade Weimer - Junior Fellow - 1 year term
  3rd and final year as Research Fellow for: Robert Coutts and Susie Fischer Stoesz
  Amy Scott, Krista Walters, 1 year Research Fellow
  Laurie Wilkinson - visiting 1 year
  Murray Evans - visiting 6 months
  Joseph Wiebe - research 6 months
  Stephanie Pine - research 1 year;
• The Dean of Studies presented motions from the Scholarship Committee;
• The Dean of Studies asked that if anyone would like to nominate someone for an Honorary Fellowship to please forward their names to The Warden via e-mail;
• The Dean of Studies presented the list of committees of Assembly for the 2014-2015 Academic year;
• Draft meeting dates for the upcoming year were approved; and
• Membership statistics were presented by the Registrar for Assembly’s information.

Bryan Peeler, Chair of Assembly
Warden's Report to Council  
May 21, 2104

With the wind-up of Winter Term classes and the move to Summer Session the College moves into a different phase of its annual cycle. Now is the time for us to undertake many of the projects in preparation for the coming year. Looking forward I have the upcoming Senior Executive Retreat and the Heads of Anglicans Colleges.

At this year’s Convocation, the University will be conferring an honorary degree on Israel Idonije (defensive linebacker for the Chicago Bears) who is a graduate of the College. We are hoping to reconnect with Izzie when he is on campus.

Since the last Assembly I have undertaken the following activities:

1) The Wilmot Lectures (March 17-19): this year our three part series consisted of an Interfaith Dialogue process. Our first evening was at All Saints Church, the second at the Hindu Temple on Ste. Anne’s Road, and the third at the College. We had a consistent turnout of 35-40 for some very interesting conversations.

2) We had the last of the public theology lectures at St Margaret’s on March 20. We are currently planning the course to be offered next Fall and Winter.

3) I was in Quebec City on March 24 for a doctoral dissertation defence at Universite Laval.

4) I have been a member of the President’s Advisory Committee for the selection of a new University Librarian. As we have moved through the process this has required a considerable amount of time.

5) I have represented the College at the Centre for Christian Studies Annual Service of Celebration on March 30 and Booth University College’s Convocation on April 27.

6) I have been called to speak with the joint College and Diocesan Commission on Theological Education

7) I represented the College at the Installation of the New Chancellor at St Paul’s College on April 6.

8) I went with Jackie to meet with Alumni and Donors in Vancouver on April 6 to 8.

9) I met with the University committee looking into the development of Daycares on campus.

10) I continue to meet with the Partners of the National Research Centre for the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

11) I attended a Department Retreat with the Native Studies Department on April 22.

12) I attended the Distinguished Alumni Awards Reception with Jackie and Bernie Beare on May 1.

13) I am working with a committee to present Engage Difference: Deepening Understanding of Intercultural Ministry as one of the College’s offerings in theology.
Chaplain's Report to Council, May 2014

The last couple of months have been full ones. Many students hit an intense period of stress and personal crisis in the weeks leading up to exams, so I spent my time supporting them and getting them resources. Next semester I will plan more structured group meditation sessions for the end of semester and have more resources available for students who are struggling. Justin and I are going to work on our triage system over the summer and figure out how to best serve students who have difficulty getting into the permanently back-logged counselling centre. A late night study party in residence during the first week of exams went well.

A group of new international students has moved into residence and we enjoyed making Canadian pancakes together. Our chapel service on Palm Sunday with the Friends of the College Choir, “Journey into Holy Week,” went very well. Pints & Compline has finished for the summer and will start again in September. Negotiations for an outdoor labyrinth at SJC are ongoing; we still need permission from physical plant and Jackie is graciously pursuing funding.

Over the summer, I'm spending time with international students, planning a leadership retreat for the SJCSA and a spiritual retreat in conjunction with St Paul's, planning residence programming and support for the fall (including alcohol and safe sex initiatives), putting together a new midweek dinner liturgy, and hopefully working on the labyrinth. I will also take training in suicide prevention. Plans are also beginning discussed for the implementation of a new Bible and Breakfast group in conjunction with the diocese beginning in the fall.
Bursar report to Council May 21, 2014

Building Projects

The building project in the academic wing of the college is essentially complete. There are a few signs we are still waiting for, but all of the substantive work is finished.

We have had discussions with the university regarding the replacement of the cloister roof. They have determined that it is not draining properly, and designs have been undertaken. However, we are still figuring out who is responsible for the cost of this project. Given historical projects such as the tunnel floor, and the new entrance outside the Chapel, it is our opinion that the university has established a precedent (they paid for these), and that this would continue for the cloister roof.

All of the upgrades to the residence rooms are now complete. We have also finished repainting some of the major stairways. Future projects (dependent on available funds) will be to replace the desks and chairs in each room. We are in the process of getting quotes, should we decide to go ahead.

The residence wireless project is also underway, and is scheduled to be complete in the next week or two. This will result in students having the option to either plug in directly, or connect wirelessly. This is a very significant improvement and something that all the students have been requesting.

Summer Conferences
Negotiations for our summer residence groups through IEP are in process. We expect to be quite full for a large part of the summer, but not to capacities we experienced last year.

Budgeting
Budgeting for 2014-15 was delayed while we waited to hear the level of cuts we would experience in our university budget. Last week we received an indication that instead of 5%, St John’s budget cut would only be 1%. With this information, we can now proceed with our budgeting exercise.

Audit
The audit is scheduled to begin June 9th
Dean’s Report to Assembly/Council

May, 2014

Our Soup and Bread Lecture series was a great success this year and we thank Erin Millions for organizing these events and Ian Park for the delicious breads, vegetarian soups and salads.

Speakers this term included:


Feb 25 - Anthony Waterman. “St. John’s College in 1913-1914: Our Last Normal Year?”

March 12 - Agnes Pawlowska. “Intangible Cultural Heritage in Manitoba.”


April 2 - Lisa Alexandrin. “Medieval Islamic Remedies for Insomnia and Nightmares.”

Amy Scott was our coordinator for the Brown Bag Lunch series this winter and we thank Amy for her enthusiasm and organizational skills. Invited speakers this term were:

Wednesday January 22, 2014. Monica Woods and Ricardo Soriano from the University of Manitoba Research Quality Assurance spoke on “Revisiting Quality Research.”

Tuesday February 11, 2014. Shelley Sweeney from the University of Manitoba Archives and the Truth and Reconciliation Centre, “How the Archives of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission on Indian Residential Schools will Transform the University of Manitoba.”

Wednesday March 19, 2014. Rick Jansen from the University of Manitoba Security Services and the CPTED Program spoke on “Security Services and Safety Initiatives at the University of Manitoba.”

The College hosted the second annual St. John’s College Art Competition. The campus-wide competition was coordinated by Ian Park and the Art Committee, with juried prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. Winners were announced on February 13, 2014 at a reception in the Daily Bread Café and submissions were showcased at the Café for the entire month of February. Thank you to Ian Park for the refreshments and to Art Committee members Nicole Goulet, Susie Fisher, and Lisa Alexandrin.
Congratulations to the three winners:
First place ($300.00): Tracy Fehr
Second place ($200.00): Jeremiah Valle
Third place ($100.00): Jesse Bergmann

On February 20th a new event. Live, Lunch and Learn, was held at the College. Alumni were invited to attend the College for a soup and sandwich lunch and to hear a guest speaker


Our 30th Annual Marjorie Ward Lecture was a complete success. The award-winning travel and nature writer, Jake MacDonald, gave a lively and engaging lecture on “The University of the Open Road,” on Thursday, March 6th to an audience of approximately fifty-five people. College Fellows and invited guests joined Jake before the lecture for a gourmet dinner in the Senior Common Room and audience members were invited to a post-lecture reception in the Galleria. The food at both events was superb and we thank Ian Park and his staff from Food Services for doing such a fine job. Many other people worked behind the scenes to make the evening a success and we thank Amy Craddock, Jackie Markstrom, Jill Stafford and Elnora Wiebe for their efforts. In particular, Diana DeFoort should be recognized for her organizational skills and attention to detail. She helped to keep the whole project moving forward. Finally, thank you to all who were able to attend the Lecture.

March 20, 2014. Bach’s Birthday. This event was held in the Chapel of St John the Evangelist and featured local musicians who performed compositions by Johann Sebastian Bach. The concert was followed by a reception.

April 9th. End of term barbeque.

April 9th. End of term reception. Our last formal reception for the academic year.

Other events:
Two Senior Fellows at St. John’s College have received prestigious awards.

Congratulations are in order for Dr. Barry Ferguson, Professor (History), Senior Fellow at St. John’s College and coordinator for the Canadian Studies Programme in the Faculty of Arts, who has been named the Duff Roblin Professor of Government. Dr. Ferguson has a distinguished publishing record that includes works in the areas of political ideas, provincial-federal relations and modern Canadian social change.

Dr. Diana Brydon, Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada, Canada Research Chair in Globalization and Cultural Studies, Professor (English, Film and Theatre) and Senior Fellow at St. John’s College has been presented with the University’s highest honour of Distinguished Professor. The designation is given to those with extraordinary, internationally-recognized
scholarly achievements, and only twenty academic staff members can hold this elite title at any one time.

Congratulations to both Dr. Ferguson and Dr. Brydon on your outstanding accomplishments.

**Departures from St. John’s College**

Five current members of SJC will be leaving the College this summer: Visiting Fellow, Paul Dyck; Senior Fellow, Jeff Masuda; Junior Fellow, Nicole Goulet and Research Fellows, Agnes Pawlowska and Laura Reimer. We have all enjoyed having Paul, Jeff, Nicole, Agnes and Laura at St. John’s and wish them all the best with their exciting new opportunities.

New Fellows will be joining us over the next few months and will be introduced officially at the Opening of Term Reception in September.
Fundraising
- In April we mailed out a Chaplaincy Fund ask to the Anglican community. We anticipated a 5% response rate and total donations of $1600. To date we have 6.6% response rate and $1,875. We likely will receive a few more.
- Looking at potential sponsorship and foundation opportunities.

Alumni/Stewardship
- Trip to Vancouver at the beginning of April was successful in reconnecting with alumni. We had 10 people attend the get together and we visited with two other individuals.

Special Events
- The next lunch is scheduled for 10th June, 2014 and will feature Amy Scott.
- 150th Anniversary Celebrations: Bernie and I are working on the format.

Marketing/Communications
- The latest issue of In Lumine is being mailed out.
- Suggestions for stories/articles are appreciated.

Staffing
- We held a volunteer appreciation lunch for four of our five volunteers this past April.

Misc
- Continue to attend UofM External Relations and Donor Relations Department meetings.
- Jill and I have reviewed the year and started planning Development Office activities for 2014/2015.
- Will be doing a full programme evaluation in June.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jackie Markstrom
6th May, 2014
Senior Stick’s Report

Council, May 21, 2014

Grad

- It was a huge success. We had 16 grads. Food was delicious, people liked the grad gifts, the photobooth was really fun. Everyone had a great time!

Summer plans

Renovating the student lounge

- Over the weekend we did a major cleanup and removed a lot of junk
- Next: more cleaning, painting, and getting some new furniture (Mainly desks)

Jumpstart

- We will be combining Jumpstart with the regular university orientation days
- Uni orientation only one day for each student, so we will put all new members together and have Jumpstart on the second day separately

Student Council Retreat

- Planning a retreat at the beginning of September at Camp Arnes for the student council with Allison
- Get council off to a good start by getting to know each other better and defining goals for the year