ST JOHN’S COLLEGE COUNCIL

MINUTES

For the Meeting of Wednesday March 23, 2011

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


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

2. Approval of the Agenda
   MOTION: That the agenda be approved with the following amendments: Honorary degrees will be discussed first, followed by the Warden’s report, then the nomination and appointment of the new Warden.
   S. Alward/J. Hoskins CARRIED

3. Approval of the February 2, 2011 Minutes
   MOTION: That the minutes of February 2, 2011 be approved as circulated.
   J. Ripley/D. Phillips CARRIED

4. Business Arising from the Minutes
   None

5. New Business
   a) Finance & Administration Committee
      No report
   b) Development Committee
      See report from the Development Officer
   c) Honorary Degrees
      MOTION: That Council be moved into closed session.
      J. Hoskins/S. Alward CARRIED

      MOTION: That Council be moved out of closed session.
      J. Hoskins/W. Norton CARRIED
      In closed session, the three Honorary Degrees nominees were presented. Council voted to accept the nominations.
   d) Appoint or Re-appoint a Chair
      MOTION: That Bernie Beare be reappointed for another 3-year term, beginning July 1, 2011.
      A. Braid/W. Norton CARRIED

6. Reports from Committees, College Officers and Student Council
   a) Reports from Committees – Council Executive, Development, Finance & Admin.
   b) Report from Assembly
      Report to St. John’s College Council for the Meeting of March 23, 2011

St. John’s College Assembly met on Tuesday, March 15, 2011.
The following issues were considered:

**New Business**

1. In closed session, the Chair of the Honorary Degree committee presented the nominees for Honorary Degrees. A private ballot vote was taken.
2. A motion was carried that the nomination of a new Chair of Assembly would be tabled to the next meeting of Assembly.
3. The Bursar presented residence rates. A motion was carried that these rates be increased by 3.9%. Discussion followed regarding whether these increased rates would cover Internet upgrades. A motion was carried that if the College determines it can go ahead with the expansion of the current wireless in the residence that the administration be allowed to charge a related fee not exceeding the cost return.

Thank you.

Susan Close
Chair, Assembly

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

1. **Warden**


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2. **Dean of Theology and Chaplain**

3. **Bursar**

**Report to Council from the Bursar – March 23, 2011**

**Budget**

The Warden and I presented our University budget submission to central administration, which included a number of student focused initiatives for the upcoming year, as well as our response to a potential 3% budget reduction. Internally, preparation of our own budget is ongoing, and will be submitted at the next Finance & Administration Committee meeting, in advance of the May meeting of Assembly where it will need to be approved.

**Committees**

The work of the Warden Search Committee concluded on March 11th after hearing public presentations and conducting interviews with all three candidates, culminating in a final meeting of the committee to deliberate. I continue to sit on the Classroom Scheduling Optimization Committee, which has now seen presentations from all the potential software vendors, and we hope to be able to make a recommendation shortly.

**Building projects/improvements**

There are a number of projects and upgrades that have already taken place, or are in process:

- The floor in the corridor outside the Daily Bread Café has been repainted, with a more durable paint that will be less susceptible to chipping.
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- The doors to the DBC will soon be replaced with wheelchair accessible, safety glass doors that can remain closed during business hours. This will greatly improve the heating and cooling efficiency of that space, thus extending the life of our air conditioning unit, as well as the coolers located in the café.
- New benches for students in the hallways of the academic wing have been ordered.
- New study tables and chairs have also been ordered for room 110, our proposed new open study area for students.

iv) Dean of Studies

Report to St John's College Council
Dean of Studies
March 23, 2011

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4) I have represented the College on the planning of the events for the Paul Thomas recognition events to be held on April 4. This has turned into an all day affair with a number of components and Fellows are invited to participate in all the activities.

5) I have been working with Jim Ferguson and Gene Walz in the planning of the next Trier Exchange Conference to be held here on May 4 to 6.

6) Upcoming events:
   a) St John's College Grad Dinner Dance – organized by the students, honouring Len Kuffert this year and Harley Sheppard is giving the valedictory. Always a fun event so show up.
   b) Watch out for a retirement party this spring for Robert Thomas.

v) Development Office

Development Officer Report to Council
15th March, 2011

Farewell Dinner for Jan

The Farewell Dinner for Jan will be held on Wednesday, May 18, 2011.

Fundraising

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Response to the Erin appeal has been phenomenal – 9 faculty made a donation to the Erin Palamar Bursary in Nursing. Thank you. And, thanks to Rod and Lance for their challenge.
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We are in the process of receiving a transfer of stock - $12,500 part payment for the Galleria artwork.

I am working on setting up a bursary – very general terms – with a gentleman whose father, brother and son attended the College.

**Stewardship**

On the recent trip to Vancouver Janet and I met with several donors. One of whom expressed some interest in the upgrading the Residence. I attended a conference in Vancouver at that time.

In lieu of Christmas cards several students, the Dean of Residence and I cooked a meal for families staying at Ronald McDonald House.

**Alumni/Marketing/Communications**

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**Staffing**

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**Misc**

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Submitted by:

Jackie Markstrom
15\textsuperscript{th} March, 2011

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  \item[vi) Registrar
  \item[vii) Senior Stick
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**Rip the Strip** – SJCSA sends its gratitude and appreciation to Dr. Trott and Mr. B eare for their involvement in Rip the Strip leg and eyebrow waxing, and collecting pledges and donations. Donations will be totaled by Friday, March 25\textsuperscript{th}, and will be announced at grad. We are currently at about $1,600.00, and have probably made it close to $2,000.00 which was our goal. All funds donated will go to Cancer Care Manitoba.

Student Council’s next event is the Graduation Dinner and Dance, March 26, 2011.

**Elections** – Jessica Person elected Senior Stick, Sarah Mitchell elected Vice-Stick, Nicole Friesen was re-elected Treasurer. Half of the positions for the SJCSA have been filled, the rest will be filled in September.

SJCSA is looking at getting 60 lockers from St. Paul’s College. They will be put in the tunnel over summer.

Furniture for room 110 has been ordered for an open, unassigned study space.

7. **Any Other Business**
   a) Nomination/Appointment of Warden
   MOTION: That Council be moved into closed session.
   D. Phillips/B. Regher  CARRIED
MOTION: That Council be moved out of closed session.  
W. Norton/S. Close          CARRIED

In closed session, the Chancellor nominated the candidate for Warder/Vice-Chancellor of St John’s College.  
Discussion of the selection process followed.

MOTION: That Christ Trott be appointed Warden of St John’s College by Council for an initial term of five years beginning July 1, 2011.  
D. Phillips/S. Close          CARRIED

MOTION: That the Chair of Council write a note of thanks to the Search Committee on behalf of Council.  
S. Alward/D. Phillips          CARRIED

8. Adjournment  
MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned.  
J. James/S. Alward          CARRIED

The official copy of the minutes is signed by the Chair and Secretary and kept in the Registrar’s Office.

Chair

Secretary

Date: May 5, 2011
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