ST JOHN'S COLLEGE COUNCIL
Minutes

For the Meeting of Wednesday November 24th, 2010

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

Present: B. Beare (Chair), G. Friesen, I. Froese, J. Hoskins, J. James, J. Markstrom, J. McConnell, S. Peters (Secretary), W. Regher, L. Roberts, J. Stafford, C. Trott, D. Phillips

Regrets: S. Close, J. Ripley, S. Blaikie, S. Alward, H. Richardson, B. Pope, A. Braid, S. Taubner, J. Powell, B. Norton (Chair of Finance and Administration), J. Persson (Student representative).

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

2. Approval of the Agenda
MOTION: That agenda be approved with the amendment that 6c be altered to divide Chaplain and Dean of Residence
L. Roberts/B. Regher

3. Approval of the September 29th, 2010 Minutes
MOTION: That the minutes of the September 29 2010 Council meeting be approved.
G. Friesen/J. McConnell

4. Business Arising from the Minutes
a) Appointment of the new Registrar
Moved by J. Hoskins that Sherry Peters be appointed Registrar. Seconded by D. Phillips.

CARRIED

5. New Business
a) Faculty of Theology (Please review attached article prior to the meeting)
The Bishop’s address to the Synod was the starting point for discussion concerning the future of the Faculty of Theology. Council was made aware of the financial state of the faculty and that the College is at a turning point with the faculty due to the strategic planning process as well as the search for a new Warden. Decisions regarding the Faculty of Theology need to be made with careful consideration as any decisions made will have a broad-reaching effect on the College.
It was agreed that further discussion of the Faculty of Theology would take place at the next Council meeting. Assembly would also be made aware of the issues. Additionally, B. Beare will investigate the College Charter and Statutes concerning whether or not the College has to have a faculty of theology and if not, how does the College relate to the Diocese.

b) Budget Summary
Ivan reviewed the Budget summary and indicated that the College was in a better financial state than it was at this time last year.

c) Strategic Planning
Awaiting written report from I. Froese

d) Warden Search Committee
C. Trott reported that an ad hoc committee was formed to create a set of Terms of Reference to begin the search. A search committee has now been formed and met to discuss the timeline and create an ad for the position.

6. Reports from Committees, College Officers and Student Council
a) Reports from Committees – Council Executive, Development, Finance & Admin.
B. Beare reported that Council Executive met on Tuesday, November 16, 2010 to discuss and set the Council agenda.

b) Report from Assembly
No report

Noted that S. Close was unable to attend and report because she was receiving a Teaching Excellence award from the Faculty of Architecture. Congratulations to Susan.

c) Report from College Officers and Student Council
i) Warden
On Nov. 7th, we held our 144th Annual Convocation. Unfortunately, right before Convocation, Dr. Robert Kroetsch, our Doctor of Canon Law recipient and Convocation speaker, became unable to travel. As permitted by our Statutes, the Chancellor agreed to the awarding of the degree in absentia. Dr. Dennis Cooley did a fine job of reading the text that Dr. Kroetsch had prepared. I plan to travel to Edmonton in the spring and will meet with Robert to give him his hood and parchment.

The next day, on Nov. 8th, our new Registrar and Confidential Secretary to the Warden, Sherry Peters, took up this position. I am happy to report that, after a
difficult summer, our administrative staff is complete. There is already
evidence to suggest that this will be a very strong team.

It was with great sadness that I, along with other members of the College
community, attended the funeral of our former Chancellor, Bishop Patrick Lee,
on Oct. 18th. On Dec. 6th, Jackie Markstrom and I will be visiting his widow
(Johnian and former SJC employee) Mary and their daughter Sharon, in Perth
Ontario. Mary is currently under-going treatment for ovarian cancer and
Sharon is dealing with stage 4 melanoma. Jackie and I will also be visiting
alumni and supporters in Kingston, Ottawa and Toronto during that week.

On Oct. 22nd, I attended a wonderful ceremony in which a plaque was
unveiled honouring the contributions of Bill and Helen Norrie to the University
of Manitoba. Bill was the Chancellor of the U of M for many years and is an
Honorary Fellow of St John's College. On Oct. 29th, I attended the
International College of Manitoba "graduation" ceremony. This was a very nice
recognition of the achievements of these students, some of whom live in our
Residence.

I was asked to be a Presidential appointee on the Dean of Arts search, which
has begun its work.

ii) Dean of Theology
Convocation
-Three students graduated with the Advanced Certificate in Applied Theology,
one in absentia.
-Gave the introduction to Archbishop James Weisgerber
-Founders & Benefactors Service: The Rev. Bryan Rivers (one of our
Convocation graduates) preached the (very fine) sermon

Courses
-Fall Term: Anglican History
-Intro. To NT Greek: one student VW. This is a 6-credit course and concludes
at the end of March
-Winter Term courses: Anglican Spirituality and the second half of NT Greek

Chaplaincy
-Lessons and Carols in SJC Chapel Nov. 25 at 12:22 pm with UM chaplaincy
personnel and others
-SJC Sunday services continue at 10:30 am. All the King's Men meet first
Sunday of each month at 7:00 pm (choral evensong).

Faculty
-Alumni breakfast Nov 27: meet with program graduates to discuss various
perspectives on the future of our work.
- Gave a paper at the Sixteenth Centuries Studies Conference in Montreal, late October. Title: Richard Hooker the Pelagian: Is There a Case? Well received.

iii) Bursar
   Awaiting written report

iv) Dean of Studies
   Awaiting written report

v) Chaplain
   Please see Dean of Theology report

vi) Development Officer
   Awaiting written report

vii) Registrar
   Convocation was a success again this year. Maintenance and updating of the website has been moved to the Registrar’s office. Discussions with the coordinators of various College programs are continuing, in an effort to discuss and brainstorm ways to improve the website while remaining within the parameters set by the U of M. Updating of the website will begin soon.

viii) Senior Stick

   Events
   Corn Maze
   SJCSA’s Co-Programmers organized a very successful Corn Maze event held on Friday October 15. We went to AMaze’n Corn near St Adolphe and participated in their Haunted Forest and roasted marshmallows by a bonfire before heading back to the College by bus. The event was very well attended by 32 students, there were no incidents and all had a fantastic evening.

Paintballing
Our next event will be Paintballing held on November 26.

Operation Christmas Child
We collected 8 shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child, they are being donated to children in Haiti this year. We have set up a donation box at Espresso 101 to collect donations until the end of term.

Christmas Busking
Along with the Faculty of Music Student’s Association, we are organizing Christmas Busking for the first week of December. On Tuesday and Thursday, music students will be performing in the Galleria during the 15 minutes between classes, and all money collected will also be donated to Operation Christmas Child.
Student Services
Carrels & Lockers
The study carrels and lockers are very popular this year. All carrels and operational lockers have all been sold by our diligent Student Services Director, Dustin Reimer. We've purchased a fridge for undergrad carrel room 105 and new wall posters. We are looking into the possibility of purchasing new lockers for the tunnel, because half of them are broken or unlockable.

Internet
There have been many requests for wireless internet from the carrel users. One router has been set up in the grad carrel room 125, and one in the SJCSA lounge. Students are extremely looking forward to University wireless internet.

SJCSA Lounge
Bell cable TV has been installed and a Christmas Tree set up.

Room 110
Due to the overwhelming success of study carrel sales, SJCSA considered creating another assigned carrel room. It turns out that it would cost too much to purchase carrels to fill this rooms, so SJCSA would like to use this room as an ‘open door’, unassigned study space for students. The room is currently occupied by the College.

7. Any Other Business
None

8. Adjournment
G. Friesen/J. Stafford
7:35