

# **ST JOHN'S COLLEGE ASSEMBLY Agenda**

**For the meeting of January 15, 2019 @ 2:30 pm in Room 110 St John's College**

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

**2. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting on November 6, 2018.**

**3. Business arising from the Minutes of the November 6, 2018 meeting**

- a) Fellows Research and Travel Fund

**4. New Business**

- a) Adjunct Fellows on Standing Committees of Assembly
- b) Report from the Art, Music, and Social Committee
- c) Report on Awards for the previous year
- d) Theology course at St. Margaret's
- e) Theology bursaries

**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**

**7. Adjournment**

**ST JOHN'S COLLEGE  
ASSEMBLY  
Minutes**

**Special Quorum Needed**

**For the meeting of November 6, 2018 @ 2:30 pm in Room 110 St John's College**

Present: E. Jones, C. Trott (Acting Chair), S. Peters (Secretary), F. Hasan, L. Kuffert, M. Evans, A. Rampton, I. Froese, D. Watt, A. Ng, D. McCance, L. Valmestad, M. Hughes, M. Minor, D. Carr, R. Thomas, C. Penner

Regrets: J. Dueck, D. Brydon, J. Weimer, M. Unrau, G. Bak, J. James, B. Collins, B. Pope, S. Close, B. Ferguson, B. Hallman, L. Wilkinson, B. Cantelo, K. Markstrom

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

MOTION: That the agenda be approved as distributed.

D. Watt / L Kuffert

CARRIED

**2. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting on September 18 2018.**

MOTION: That the minutes of the meeting on September 18, 2018 be approved, as distributed with the correction the spelling to Len Kuffert's name and add Liv Valmestad's regrets

L. Kuffert / A. Ng

CARRIED

**3. Business arising from the Minutes of the September 18, 2018 meeting**

None

**4. New Business**

- a) Adjunct Fellowship nominations – The Dean of Studies presented the four nominations for Adjunct Fellows. MOTION from membership committee: That Michael Minor, Bruce Erickson, Derek Oliver, Shadia Drury, be elected as Adjunct Fellows.  
CARRIED
- b) Audited Financial Statements – The Bursar presented the Audited Financial Statements to Assembly for information. The Statements were approved at the September 2018 Council meeting.  
MOTION: That Assembly receive the Audited Financial Statements.  
M. Evans / A. Rampton  
CARRIED
- c) September Financial Statements – The Bursar presented the September financial statements.  
MOTION: That Assembly receive the September Financial Statements.  
D. Watt / F. Hasan  
CARRIED
- d) Application for Research and Travel Fund – The Dean of Studies informed Assembly that a small fund has been set up to provide some funding for Fellows for Research and Travel. The application should be submitted to the Dean of Studies for approval.

Diana DeFoort has copies of the forms she can e-mail to Fellows on request. On return, bring the approval form and expenses to Elnora Wiebe for reimbursement.

## **5. Other Business**

None

## **6. Reports**

### **a) Reports from College Officers**

#### **Warden**

#### **St John's College Warden's Report for Assembly November 6, 2018**

This fall has been incredibly busy and I find it hard to keep track of all that has been going on. Much of the additional work has come from our Diocesan connection with the Consecration of the new Bishop/our new Chancellor and attendance at Synod. In addition, I have been teaching an Indigenous Awareness course for the Diocese above my normal teaching responsibilities.

- 1) Attended Diocesan Council, September 22
- 2) Hosted Lunch and Lively Conversation, September 25
- 3) Taught Indigenous Awareness class every Tuesday evening September 11 – November 6
- 4) Represented the College at the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Migiizii Agaamik, September 26
- 5) Volunteered at the Walk-a-Mile-in-my-Shoes fundraiser at West Broadway Community Ministry, September 29
- 6) Attended Brown and Gold Lunch with alumni and donors, September 30
- 7) Presided at Matriculation, September 30
- 8) Attended Andrew Rampton's ordination, October 3
- 9) Anglican-Mennonite Dialogue Meeting, October 4
- 10) Workshop on Conducting Fair Investigations, October 11
- 11) Attended Opening Service for Diocesan Synod and was awarded the Order of Rupert's Land, October 11
- 12) Attended Diocesan Synod, October 12-13
- 13) Attended Consecration of Bishop Geoff Woodcroft
- 14) Attended meeting on revising the University Sexual Assault Policy, October 17
- 15) Attended the Rupert's Land News Advisory Board Meeting, October 19
- 16) Attended workshop on the Sexual Violence Policy for Administrators, October 19
- 17) Met with subcommittee of Council for Theological Education on course offerings, October 19
- 18) Met with Bishop Geoff, October 22
- 19) Chaired the U of M Press Board, October 23
- 20) Popped in to the Residence Halloween Banquet, October 27
- 21) Meet with the Centre for Christian Studies Partnership Committee, October 30
- 22) Popped in to the Evening of Excellence, October 30
- 23) Attended the Women's InterChurch Council Brunch, November 3
- 24) Presided over Convocation, November 4
- 25) Attended workshop on Conducting Fair Hearings, November 6
- 26) Made three visits with Alumni, September 21, September 27, November 5

During this entire time I have been working with Ivan and Jackie on preparing, sending out and assessing a Request for Proposals for the design of a new residence. I continue to attend regularly meetings of Senate, Provost's Council, College Finance and Administration, Soup and Bread lectures, the Theology Discussion group

## **Dean of Studies**

### **Dean of Studies: Report to Assembly November 6, 2018**

#### **Marjorie Ward Lecture**

This year's Marjorie Ward Lecturer is Winnipeg poet Katherena Vermette, **on March 6, 2018**. The lecture will be followed by a reception. Please mark your calendars.

#### **Fellows Research and Travel Fund Reminder**

This year we established a new fund in support of Fellows' research and travel. The budgeted funds for this program are now depleted, but I encourage anyone who will be traveling for research or conferences in the next fiscal year (that is, after March 31, 2018) to apply for funds from next year's budget. This may help some of you plan for early summer travel.

There is now an application form available for the fund. I have attached a copy to my report. Application forms will be available from Diana DeFoort, and should be emailed to myself and Diana when completed.

#### **Western Canadian Studies Visiting Researcher and Conference Support**

A call for applications for visiting researchers was circulated in the spring, and two fellowships were offered. As I announced in the fall, a short-term fellowship has been awarded to Keith Hyde, of University College of the North, who will join us at the College in February and March 2018. The long term fellowship (six months) has been awarded to Dr. Erin Millions, who will begin her project in January 2018. Her project description is below:

**"The National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation and Missing Indigenous Children across Institutional Contexts: Exploring the Relationship between Manitoba Residential Schools, Indian Hospitals and Sanatoriums, and Missing Indigenous Children"**

During my time as a Western Canadian Studies Fellow at St. John's College, I will be working with the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation (NCTR) to draw on their holdings and expertise regarding missing Indigenous children. My fellowship project is part of a larger project that explores the administration of death and burial of Indigenous child tuberculosis patients at Manitoba Indian hospitals and sanatoria. The overall goal of the larger project is to provide family members with the information necessary to help them identify the lost burial places of loved ones who did not return from tuberculosis treatment.

My Western Canadian Studies Fellowship project has two research streams. The first to assess and access the NCTR's vast digital archival holdings. Although the mandate of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) was to gather records relating to residential school, the NCTR archives include a broader range of materials including archival records relating to Indian hospitals and sanatoriums. In doing so, I will be only



the second 'outside' (non-survivor, non-family) researcher to access the NCTR's archival holdings for research purposes. I will also be working in cooperation NCTR's National Residential School Student Death Register team in response to the TRC's Call to Action #72. My goals in working with the Death Register team is to better understand how the team is locating, documenting, and making accessible this database of information on missing Indigenous residential school students, while at the same time exploring the larger relationship between residential schools and tuberculosis treatment centres. I expect, for example, that at least some of the children who are 'missing' from residential schools, where tuberculosis was rampant, were transferred to Indian hospitals and sanatoriums for treatment.

Both recipients are required in the terms of the award to organize an event to share their research, such as a talk, colloquium, exhibit, etc. Please keep an eye out for these events in the new year.

I would again like to encourage all of the Fellows to promote this funding program in their fields, including to colleagues outside of Winnipeg. We will be issuing a new call for applications early in 2018, but the best way to promote it is by word of mouth.

### **SJC Committee Reporting**

You have probably noticed in the past that Committee Reports are a permanent part of our Assembly Agenda, but that we generally do not have reports from the committees. I would like to move towards committees reporting to Assembly, perhaps on a rotating basis. Although I formally Chair many of the College committees, there is no reason that other committee members should not report on their work. For example, the Scholarship Committee works hard to review dozens of files and award scholarships and bursaries each year, and the Art, Social and Music Committee is responsible for a lot of our activities, including Soup and Bread, and the annual Student Art Competition. I will be discussing this with committee members before our first Assembly in 2019.

### **THRIVE Student Support Program**

The College is developing a Peer Mentorship Program. There is an application form for Mentors available on the College website, with a deadline of Nov 15. If you have senior students (3<sup>rd</sup> year, preferably) who you think might make good mentors, please encourage them to apply. They don't have to be SJC members at the time of application; if they are chosen, they will become members. This costs \$10 per term. Mentors will also receive Co-curricular credit for their participation.

Enhanced academic and career advice were identified as priorities by SJC students last year. We are partnering with Career Services at UM to offer career workshops and drop-ins for our students. Career Services has a range of programming, from one-on-one counseling to targeted information programs, and they are prepared to bring these to us in the College, at no charge to us. As we have promotional material available, we will circulate it.

### **Chaplain**

#### **Chaplain's Report to SJC Assembly**

6 November 2018

The period since last assembly has been a productive one of settling in, meeting colleagues and working partners, and planning. While there are still a few important people to meet in person, establishing and renewal of relationships is well underway. Matriculation went well, for my part, and the sermon and invocation for convocation are nearly ready.<sup>1</sup>

As for what is being planned in student and community programming:

- After a few false starts, the SJCSA retreat is planned for 17 November.
- English language conversation opportunities for international and EAL students
- The traditional Boxing Day residence feast is calendared and details are coming together for this event.
- *Food for the Journey* beginning on 24 November (pending speaker's confirmation)
- *Marking the Margins* (working title) is a new project, very much still conceptual, which will be a recurring event in three parts: a prayer office, a discussion, and a second prayer office. Participants are welcome to attend one, two, or all three of these parts as they wish. The central discussion will be centred on "theology from the margins," including queer, black, indigenous, liberation, womanist, body theologies and others as may be desired. Anglicanism has strong traditions of intellectual inquiry and working for social justice. This project seeks to draw attention to these traditions—both within and without the Anglican community—framing them in the daily rhythm of prayer offices, reinforcing the connections between Anglican faith, learning, and justice.
- Working with the Sikh Student Association to find them a suitable, dedicated prayer space on campus.

Life in St John's Chapel is quiet, but gaining some momentum. The space has been given a thorough organizing and some significant decluttering. The Prayers for Peace event on 30 October had 13 attendees from SJC (staff, fellows and one student), UManitoba (including David Bernard), and the wider community. Regular Anglican worship will begin the week of 19 November.

On a personal note, I presided at my first eucharistic liturgy in St John's Chapel on 5 October. When I decided to pursue ordination, I came to St John's College to study for my undergraduate degree. It was a beautiful and meaningful experience to be able to celebrate the beginning of this new chapter with the same community who saw me take my first steps toward it. Thank you.

## **Bursar**

### **Financial**

The Finance & Admin Committee met on September 19<sup>th</sup> and recommended to College Council that the 2017-18 Audited Statements be approved. At the September 26<sup>th</sup> Council meeting, Council accepted the recommendation from Finance & Admin and approved the Audited Statements.

As demonstrated in the September 2018 finance statements, Summer Residence & Conferences exceeded our budgeted surplus of \$43,234 by producing an actual surplus of \$58,200. Also, as of the end of September Residence is showing a surplus of \$17,145 compared to a deficit of \$1,631 at the same time last year. Food Service is showing a surplus of \$42,682 compared to a surplus of \$34,495 at the same time last year. These are three very important and positive indicators, owing to another strong summer session, lots of catered functions, and a full residence to start the fall academic term.

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<sup>1</sup> There is some debate over whether the invocation will be in English or Latin.

## **Building Items**

The renovation in classroom 201 is finished, and classes are being taught in our new active learning space. So far, all the feedback that's been received from people teaching in it has been very positive, and we are pleased with the result.

The new carpet in the residence hallways is also complete, and it looks great. It is a significant improvement and really adds to the look of the residence. It is also much easier to maintain and keep clean.

## **Residence Project**

The RFP for schematic designs and a class "C" estimate has concluded. We asked firms to submit bids for 3 options – a renovation of the existing residence, a newly constructed residence, and a newly constructed residence that meets a zero-carbon standard. Submissions were received from 6 different firms, and the Warden, Development Officer and I met with Architectural & Engineering Services of Physical Plant to review the submissions and hear their recommendations. A recommendation of which firm to move forward with to produce designs for these 3 options will be made to College Council at our next meeting.

## **Dean of Residence**

### **Residence Projects**

Few projects to note. We are in the final stages of initiating key card access to the residence building. Most resident and staff cards have already been encoded. We are also looking into installing one CCTV camera in two of the residence common rooms. The idea is for the cameras to act as deterrents for residents from damaging games/common room equipment.

### **Regular Semester**

We have had a full residence since the beginning of September. There is a waitlist for Winter 2019 already, so our numbers are looking pretty good!

### **Residence Activity**

There haven't been any serious incidents in the residence so far. The Dons are performing well and the residence is functioning soundly. Residents are reasonably following the rules; no serious breach to the contract yet.

Several students were identified as "at risk". The risks include culture shock, depression, suicidal thoughts and self-harm. We have involved Student Support Case Workers promptly and I'm happy to report that the students seem to be functioning better. We are following up with these students regularly.

## **Development Officer**

### **Fundraising**

- Most of the Fall campaign has been mailed out.
- Received a \$10,000 gift from a UofM alum to the Peter Aitchison Bursary. The alum wanted to honour a professor who had made an impact in his life. The alum has no connection to St John's College.

### **Alumni/Stewardship**

- Continuing to visit with Johnians locally.

- We hosted 6 alumni at the Brown/Gold Alumni Homecoming brunch, reconnecting with an alumnus from the 70s.
- Chris and I will be in Toronto on the 12<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> November for alumni/donor visits

### **Special Events**

- The Lunch and Lively Conversation was held on the 25<sup>th</sup> September. It was well received. Tracy Bowman attended briefly. She is the Director of Alumni and Outreach for External Relations and also an SJC grad.

### **Marketing/Communications**

- The latest issue of In Lumine is being prepared. As it will include convocation it will not be mailed until December
- The Newsletter was extremely well received. It had close to 60% open rate which is way above industry standard. This could be because it was the first one sent out. We had 17 people request to be removed from the mailing list. Planning to send the second one out mid-November.

### **Staffing**

- We were successful in our Work Study bid and have hired Richard who worked with us and the Dean of Studies last year.

### **Misc**

- Working with Chris and Ivan on the Capital Campaign.
- Manitoba Scholarship and Bursary Initiative (MSBI) – still waiting for confirmation that this is the same as last year – 50% match on amount being awarded to students.

### **Registrar**

Matriculation was held on September 30<sup>th</sup> in the Chapel. David Watt gave an excellent introduction to St John's and what a College is. 13 Fellows and students signed the College register.

Evening of Excellence was held on Tuesday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. As always, this is one of our better recruitment events. We had a steady stream of visitors to our booth requesting information. Of note, Doug Freeth, class of '77, stopped by to get information for his daughter, the Guidance Counsellor from Niverville Collegiate collected information for her students, and several people came by because their friends or siblings are currently members at St John's College and recommended it to them.

Convocation was on November 4<sup>th</sup>. As of writing, I am in the last couple of days of planning and organizing the event. I will give an update at the meeting itself.

### **b) Report from Senior Stick**

Events:

Had our first Volunteer Night at the Ronald McDonald House on October 24<sup>th</sup>. This night went very well, and they would like to have the college again. We are planning to go every third

Wednesday of the month, should have confirmation soon for November. This is open to all members of the college, but volunteer are limited to six people.

Student Council went to A Maze in a Corn in St. Adolphe on October 26<sup>th</sup>. Had a great turn out of 30 people, mostly residence members.

We are planning to have a Hawaiian themed social at the Hub on November 17<sup>th</sup> (the Saturday ending Fall Break) from 9:00pm – 2:00am. Tickets are selling for \$5 dollars and we will be serving free food.

Coffee house will be happening on Wednesday November 28<sup>th</sup> at the Daily Bread at 6:00pm. Details and ticket prices will be announced soon.

### **c) Reports from College Committees**

#### **7. Adjournment**

MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned.

M. Minor / D. McCance

CARRIED

## REPORT FROM ERIN MILLIONS, WESTERN CANADIAN STUDIES FELLOW, WINTER 2019

I am delighted to be a Western Canadian Studies Fellow at SJC in the winter term.

During my tenure, I will be working with the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation to assess their holdings of records relating to Indian hospitals and sanatoriums in Manitoba in the mid-twentieth century. This is in support of a large project that is working to sort out the administration of death and burials at Manitoba Indian hospitals and sanatoriums. This work is in response to requests from family member to help locate where missing Indigenous tuberculosis patients are buried. My work focuses specifically on child patients.

The fellowship comes with money to organize an event/workshop/speaker. I am currently working to organize an event in coordination with the Native Studies grad student conference Rising Up, which is being held at the University of Manitoba on March 15-16, 2019. Sherry Farrell Racette is confirmed as my guest, and I am currently in discussions with the conference committee as to what this event will look like and when it will be held. The focus of the event will be the connections between Western Canadian Studies and Indigenous histories.

I will also be giving a Soup and Bread Lecture on February 26.

## **REPORT FROM ARTS, SOCIAL, and MUSIC COMMITTEE**

The committee met in December. Here are some updates:

1. Erin Millions is taking over as chair of the committee from Esyllt Jones for 2018-2019. Liv Valmetad will serve as chair in 2019-2010.
2. Erin Millions and Liv Valmestad are co-chairing the SJC Student Art Competition.
3. We decided to move the Student Art competition earlier in the term this year to avoid March. The student submission date is Jan 25<sup>th</sup>. The art will be hung by committee members on January 28<sup>th</sup>. The competition reception and announcement of winners will take place at 2pm in the Daily Bread. We strongly encourage staff and fellows to stop by the reception. Attendance at the reception has been sparse. We also acknowledge the continued support of Ian Park and the Daily Bread for the SJC Student Art Competition, and Diana's and Amy's work to advertise the competition and deal with the student submissions.
4. The committee discussed and was enthusiastic about exploring the potential for an SJC Music competition for 2019-2010. Kurt Markstrom volunteered to head this initiative and is pursuing funding options from SJC and the Faculty of Music.
5. We discussed a downswing in Fellow interaction in the last year or two and considered potential options to reinvigorate this important aspect of SJC fellowship and collegiality. We decided to take this to the Assembly for discussion and ask for feedback and suggestions.



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[esyllt.jones@umanitoba.ca](mailto:esyllt.jones@umanitoba.ca)



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**St John's College**  
**Warden's Report to Assembly**  
**January 15, 2019**

The last term was very busy right up until the last day. Much time was spent finding the people and preparing for the Integrated Design Workshop. I continue to teach one course per term and in addition taught the Indigenous Awareness course for the Diocese. I have now been appointed to the Rupert's Land News Editorial Board and started meeting with them.

- 1) I completed teaching the first iteration of the Indigenous Awareness course for the Diocese of Rupert's Land
- 2) Attended the Bishop's Dinner where the new Chancellor was the guest speaker (Nov 7)
- 3) Participated in the Farewell to Bishop Don at the Cathedral (Nov 10)
- 4) Alumni/Donor visit to Toronto and Brantford. Ask Jackie about exciting driving in early winter storms (Nov 12 – 16)
- 5) Hosted the Sistema Fundraiser in the St John's College Chapel (Nov 18)
- 6) Attended special meeting of Senate to elect a new Chancellor (Nov 20)
- 7) Presided at the Installation of St John's College's new Chancellor (Nov 21)
- 8) I have been asked to preach three times recently on Truth and Reconciliation and on the College (St Paul's Nov 25, St George's Dec 8, St Clement's Dec 16)
- 9) Chaired Theological Education Council, Dec 4
- 10) Attended External Relations workshop for Deans on dealing with media, Dec 6
- 11) Officiated at College service of Lessons and Carols, Dec 6
- 12) Hosted the College Family Christmas Party, Dec 8
- 13) Alumni and Donor Trip to Brandon, Dec 11
- 14) Attended Integrated Design Workshop for College Residence, Dec 20
- 15) Participated in Installation of Bishop Geoff at the Cathedral, Jan 5

## **Dean of Studies: Report to Assembly January 15, 2019**

Fall 2018 was a busy term, with several of our new projects for faculty and students starting to take shape. I owe a debt of gratitude to the supportive staff at SJC for helping me with this work.

Our end of term reception in December was lovely, with excellent food and beverages as usual, thanks to Ian and staff.

### **Marjorie Ward Lecture**

A reminder that this year's Marjorie Ward Lecturer is Winnipeg poet Katherena Vermette. The lecture takes place on **March 6, 2018**, followed by a reception. Please mark your calendars.

### **Fellows Research and Travel Fund Reminder**

Anyone who will be traveling for research or conferences in fiscal year 2019-2020 (that is, after March 31, 2019) to apply for funds from next year's budget. This may help some of you plan for early summer travel. The application form is now available online [http://umanitoba.ca/colleges/st\\_johns/people/80.html](http://umanitoba.ca/colleges/st_johns/people/80.html) The link is on the right side of the web page.

### **Western Canadian Studies Visiting Researcher and Conference Support**

A call for applications for 2019-2020 visiting researchers in Western Canadian Studies will go out soon. I would again like to encourage all of the Fellows to promote this funding program in their fields, including to colleagues outside of Winnipeg.

### **Senior Common Room**

The SCR committee met in early December to discuss some policies for the shared use of the SCR. We will be circulating those for a vote at a future Assembly meeting. We also agreed to contact the UM's interior designer, to discuss renovating the kitchen, and ways to enhance effective use of the space. I will be arranging that discussion soon.

### **Soup and Bread**

My thanks again to Micheline Hughes for coordinating the lunchtime lectures this year. This is the schedule for second term:

Erin Millions – Feb 26<sup>th</sup>: "Indigenous Histories of Tuberculosis in Manitoba and the Unnamed Patient: Active History and The Manitoba Lung Association Archive Photo Naming Project"

Lori Wilkinson – March 13<sup>th</sup>: "Escaping Generations of Genocide: Yazidi refugees and their initial resettlement experiences in Canada."

Lisa Alexandrin – March 26<sup>th</sup>: TBA

### **THRIVE Student Support Program**

The Peer Mentorship Program is off the ground. We have four new peer mentors; two of them are graduate students. We are starting to receive mentee requests, and will be pairing mentors with mentees. There is a new poster for the program, which is attached to this report. Please promote the program to your students, including junior graduate students.

We have increased the number of hours for our SJC writing tutor to 3 hours per week. There has been consistently high demand for the tutoring services. This semester, the tutor here will be Coral Baisch, who is a Master's student in History, and a long time writing tutor.

Prof. Esyllt W. Jones  
Dean of Studies

## **Chaplain's Report to SJC Assembly**

15 January 2019

St John's Chapel has been a busy venue in recent weeks. In addition to a number of concerts and events hosted by outside groups, the college has hosted its own annual service of Advent Lessons & Carols and the UManitoba Chaplains' Association Advent service. I was unable to attend the latter, though have heard that it was enjoyed very much by those who attended—particularly the Christmas baking from the Daily Bread Café. Our own Lessons & Carols had a healthy congregation, including members of the college, community, and Diocese of Rupert's Land. Once again, John Tanner and the Joie de Vivre chorus provided fine musical leadership, into which I was drafted as a tenor and visiting fellow Dr. Murray Evans was recruited for the baritones at the last moment. Good worship, fine music, and a lovely reception afterward.

The lighting in the chapel has been restored to full power and the dimmer switches have been replaced with simple on/off switches, hopefully extending the life of our bulbs. This makes the space much more friendly for worship and other activities. Many thanks to Ian Park and Ivan Froese for looking after this. Ian and I also repurposed some of the furniture that had accumulated in the narthex, discarded some of the irreparable furniture, and I am looking for affordable options for the repair of some of the woven seisel chairs that remain.

The annual Boxing Day dinner in residence was a good success. About 15 students came to ate and a number more were lurking outside the Buttery when we finished, looking for food without the social component. The dinner (turkey, ham, chicken, potatoes, rolls, stuffing, salads, vegetables, fruit, cranberry sauce, cookies, cake, and drinks) was very gratefully received. The support shown by the community at St John's College in donations of food and money was exceptional. When the people of St Bartholomew Anglican Church learned of the event, they also contributed a substantial amount of food. So great was the generosity of the community that after preparing a significant dinner, we have still managed to contribute approximately \$370 to the Drewry Fund for students in immediate, unexpected financial need. Thank you so very much for all of your support for this event on behalf of our resident students.

Nailing down speakers for the *Food for the Journey* series has proved a challenge this year. We hope to host session in February, March, and April. Details will be posted and circulated as they become available.

On Saturday, 12 January, I will be giving a presentation and leading a discussion with the diocesan Network of Deacons, focused on the role of deacons in the liturgy. Our current liturgies were written at a time when there was a moratorium in the Canadian church on the ordination of permanent deacons, and so they occupy minimal roles in our liturgies as written. The presentation is an overview of the history of deacons in liturgy, the liturgies as written, and a discussion about revisions that might give the restored diaconate its proper place and profile in our worship today.

## **Bursar's Report to Assembly January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

### **Financial**

The budgeting process for 2019-20 will begin in the next month, as well as determining residence rates that will take effect in September 2019.

As we begin the winter term, our residence remains full and we anticipate our catering and sales in the Daily Bread Café to continue to be strong.

### **Residence Project**

The RFP for the design phase of our residence project was awarded to ft3 Architecture Landscape & Interior Design. On December 20<sup>th</sup> they held the first of three workshops as part of the integrated design process. This engaged approximately 25 people representing the various constituent groups of the College – staff, fellows, students, alumni, University representatives – to work through the early discussions necessary to determine what sort of physical design will best enable St John's to carry out its institutional mission and goals. The next workshop is scheduled for late January.

## Dean of Residence Report – January 9, 2019

### Residence Projects

There are no major projects happening in the residence right now. Hallway carpeting was done early last term and we are still working with Physical Plant to get the card access up and running for building exterior doors.

Over holidays, there was a planned power shutdown for a day. Residents were informed beforehand and were directed to student lounge in Pembina Hall building to spend the day.

### Regular Semester

At the end of Fall term, we had approximately 8 students who moved out with late notice. All rooms have been filled and we are at full occupancy now. Currently 78% of our population are international and 56% are first year students. The residence is still mostly male (67 male to 33 female). We are trying to bring back a good balance between local and international residents.

### Residence Activity

There haven't been any serious incidents in the residence so far. The Dons are performing well and the residence is functioning soundly. Residents are reasonably following the rules; no serious breach to the contract.

For January, the residence is planning several events. A few noteworthy are escape room, ice-skating at forks, dodgeball and comedy night.

Thank you,

Fayaz Hasan  
Dean of Residence

Development Officer Report to Assembly  
January 2019

**Fundraising**

- To date raised: \$164,904. On track to reach our goal of \$200,000.
- The annual appeal response is comparable to previous years.

**Alumni/Stewardship**

- Continuing to visit with Johnians.
- Chris and I will be travelling to Vancouver on 18<sup>th</sup> February. We are in the process of inviting alumni to attend a reunion.
- Chris and I will be travelling to Ottawa/Montreal in early April.

**Special Events**

- Lunch and Lively is planned for 19<sup>th</sup> February with Kevin Boreskie speaking. He is a graduate student whose research focuses on staying active as we age.
- Planning in progress for Bach's Birthday and the April Lunch and Lively.

**Marketing/Communications**

- Helping to promote the MWL.
- Currently working on the next issue of In Lumine.
- The Christmas Card was well received.
- Working with Esyllt to create a February e-newsletter highlighting the achievements of our Fellows

**Staffing**

- We hired Richard to work as our Work Study student until March of next year. He is working for both the Development Office and is available for the general office as needed.
- Applying to Canada Summer jobs for a grant for the 2019 summer student

**Capital Campaign**

- The Development Committee had its inaugural meeting in November to discuss Naming policies and procedures.
- Currently looking for funding for the Design stage of the process approximately \$285,000.

Respectfully submitted by:

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## Registrar's Report January 2019

February 21st is the University of Manitoba Open House student recruitment event. We will, once again, have a booth there.

The Brandon Career Symposium, traditionally held the first week of March, has been moved to mid-April due in part to the Manitoba Brier being held in Brandon at the beginning of March, and in hopes of having better weather and therefore turnout, than there has been the last couple of years.

Sherry Peters  
Registrar