

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

## **SPECIAL QUORUM NEEDED**

**For the meeting of May 7, 2019 @ 2:30 pm in Room 108 St John's College**

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

**2. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting on March 19, 2019.**

**3. Business arising from the Minutes of the March 19, 2019 meeting**

**4. New Business**

- a) Fellowship Nominations
- b) Meeting dates for upcoming year
- c) Membership statistics
- d) Residence update

**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 March 19, 2019 @ 2:30 pm in Room 108 St John's College**

Present: J. Weimer (Chair), S. Sinclair, M. Taylor, C. Trott, B. Hallman, M. Evans, D. Watt, C. Penner, D. Carr, D. McCance, A. Rampton, J. Markstrom, I. Froese, J. Gibbings, S. Close, R. Coutts, E. Jones, M. Minor, B. Erickson, M. Hughes, F. Hasan, D. Punter, H. Enns, B. Collins, E. Millions, L. Valmestad, A. Rampton, L. Alexandrin

Regrets: G. Bak, G. Friesen, R. Thomas, A. Ng, W. Cariou, B. Ferguson, B. Pope, L. Wilkinson, B. Cantelo, M. Unrau, J. Edgerton, K. Fowler

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

M. Evans / C. Trott  
CARRIED

**2. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting on January 15, 2019.**

J. Markstrom / S. Sinclair  
CARRIED

**3. Business arising from the Minutes of the January 15, 2019 meeting**

None

**4. New Business**

- a) Adjunct Fellows on Standing Committees of Assembly – The Dean of Studies informed Assembly that Shadia Drury to Canadian, Michael Minor to Art, Bruce to Membership  
E. Jones / C. Trott  
CARRIED
- b) Set Residence Rates for upcoming year – The Bursar summarized the costs associated with running the residence that are calculated into the residence rates. The result is the need for a 4% Residence Rate increase for the 2019 – 2020 Academic year. MOTION from Finance & Admin: That Assembly approve the 2019 – 2020 residence rates.  
CARRIED
- c) Budget for upcoming year – The Bursar reviewed the budget for the upcoming academic year. MOTION from Finance & Admin: That Assembly approve the draft 2019-2020 operating budget.
- d) Honorary Degrees  
Moved into Closed session: C. Trott / F. Hasan  
CARRIED  
Moved out of Closed session: C. Trott F. Hasan  
CARRIED  
In closed session it was decided that Flora Beardy and Don Proch would be given the Honorary Degree of Honorary Doctor of Canon Law (honoris causa) at the 2019 Convocation, and Flora Beardy will be asked to give the Convocation address.

- e) Senior Common Room Guidelines – The Dean of Studies presented to Assembly the guidelines for usage of the Senior Common Room as discussed and established by the Senior Common Room committee. There was also discussion of connecting with the University's Interior Designer to maximize the use of the space in the back half, as well as a renovation of the kitchen.  
MOTION: That the guidelines and procedures be adopted  
E. Jones / B. Hallman  
CARRIED
- f) International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination – There are folks on the University campus who would like to work on anti-racism activities and work, and the Warden is considering offering them the space here at the College, as a physical foot-hold for them. If Fellows are interested, they could talk to Lori. We could go this direction for the Marjorie Ward Lecture.

## **5. Other Business**

- a) There have been some changes in our General Office staffing. Diana DeFoort will be part-time, focusing solely on awards. Amy will move into the role of Faculty Assistant and Communications/Marketing. Additionally, Amy will continue to be Event Coordinator.

## **6. Reports**

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

#### **Warden**

#### **St John's College Warden's Report to Assembly March 19, 2019**

Much of my focus has been on the Integrated Design Process that we have been working through towards producing designs for a renovated or new residence (January 24 and March 8). I have also been teaching the Indigenous Awareness course for the Diocese of Rupert's Land along side of the Rev. Vincent Solomon (January 17 to March 14). For the first time in my career I took a winter holiday at an all-inclusive resort in Cuba.

- 1) Attended the Senior Executive Retreat, January 17 and 18
- 2) Attended Winnipeg Foundation Agency Fund Breakfast, January 23
- 3) Attended Diocesan Council, January 26
- 4) Alumni and Donor visit to Vancouver and Victoria, February 19-23
- 5) Attended Indigenous Awards of Excellence, March 11

I continue to serve as the Chair of the U of M Press Board, on the Rupert's Land News Board, Co-Chair of the Anglican-Mennonite Dialogue in addition to my ongoing obligations on Dean's and Director's Council, Senate and Arts Faculty Council.

#### **Dean of Studies**

#### **Dean of Studies: Report to Assembly March 19, 2019**

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Soup and Bread Lectures:

Wednesday, March 20, Visiting Researcher in Western Canadian Studies Keith Hyde, "Wonderful Strange Notions": Life, Death, and Edits in the Early Journals of Rev. Henry Budd (c. 1812-1875)

Tuesday, March 26, Lisa Alexandrin, "Taxonomies of Loss" in Austro-Hungarian Postcards of Sarajevo and Mostar

End of Term Reception

Thursday, April 4, 3:30-5:00

**Marjorie Ward Lecture Kudos**

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the success of this year's Marjorie Ward Lecture, given by Winnipeg poet and Katherena Vermette.

**Fellows Research and Travel Fund – new website location**

Anyone who will be traveling for research or conferences in fiscal year 2019-2020 (that is, after March 31, 2019) can apply for funds from next year's budget. This may help some of you plan for early summer travel.

We have moved the online application. It now appears on the "Faculty" page of the SJC website. Link: [http://umanitoba.ca/colleges/st\\_johns/people/fellows/index.html](http://umanitoba.ca/colleges/st_johns/people/fellows/index.html)

**New Committee Members**

This year, SJC introduced a new Adjunct category of Fellowship. I am proposing that Adjunct Fellows Bruce Erickson be elected to the Membership Committee, and Michael Minor be elected to the Art and Social Committee.

**2019-2020 Academic Budget**

As Ivan Froese has noted in his Draft Operating Budget Summary and Highlights, there are some modest increases in funding to academic programs this year.

- Proposed increase to the Fellows Travel and Research Fund will allow us to provide up to \$300 in support of 6 applications for funding this year, versus 5 the previous year.
- Indigenous Program Support (\$500), which will fund requests from College members and others (such as indigenous students) organizing indigenization events on campus
- \$500 increase in the budget for the Thrive student support program. This will go to increasing writing tutor hours, and events.
- Enhanced support for Canadian Studies, including the Western Canadian Studies Visiting Researcher program; and \$2000 in Canadian Studies Conference Support

**Senior Common Room**

The SCR committee met in early December to discuss some policies for the shared use of the SCR. You will find below a DRAFT Guidelines and Procedures for the Use of the Senior Common Room (SCR) for discussion and adoption.

**Guidelines and Procedures for the Use of the Senior Common Room (SCR)**

*The SCR is governed by a committee, elected by Assembly, which shall include the Dean of Studies, the President of the SJC Faculty Association, one Fellow of the College, and one representative from Administration. The Chair of the committee will be chosen by its members.*

*This committee will set guidelines and procedures for the use of the SCR, as appropriate. These guidelines and procedures will be made available to all users of the SCR.*

### **DRAFT General Principles for the Use of the SCR:**

The SCR is for the use of members of St. John's College (Fellows and Staff). Members are encouraged to use the SCR to relax, eat their lunch, have tea or coffee, and for informal socializing. We ask that everyone respect the space and their colleagues, and endeavour to keep the SCR clean and tidy by washing up your own dishes, cleaning the coffee pot, and not leaving food in the fridge for extended periods.

The College provides tea, coffee, milk and cream in the SCR. Administrative staff keep the SCR supplied. If anything runs out in the SCR, please contact Amy Craddock.

Fellows and Staff may use the back half of the SCR for meetings. If you are planning a meeting of more than three people (for example, a meeting with a graduate seminar) you are requested to reserve the space through the General Office. SCR users are encouraged not to use the space for private meetings with individual students, or for any meetings confidential in nature.

SCR members may also book the space for private gatherings, outside of business hours. Anyone using the space for a private event must clean after themselves, including vacuuming the floor and furniture, and wiping table tops. Cleaning supplies are available in the SCR.

Non-members are not permitted to book the SCR.

The College food services policy applies in the SCR. If you are hosting an event, please book catering through the Daily Bread Café.

Any scheduled gatherings in the SCR (including Soup and Bread and receptions) will be posted in the kitchen area by the administrative staff.

## **Chaplain**

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

19 March 2019

This academic term is flying past and in no way lacks for content. In addition to the regular schedule of worship and community support/programming, events of the past eight weeks included:

- Rupert's Land Diocesan Council on 26 January
- Presided and preached at Evensong for Candlemas in St John's College Chapel with All the King's Men on 3 February

- Attended the Residence Association banquet for Valentine's Day on 9 February. I also said grace and, for the first time in my life, was applauded (twice!) for doing so.
- Two sessions of *Food for the Journey*, with the third and final one for this year scheduled. The first was especially well-attended (16 participants) and both have included excellent food and stimulating discussion
  - 9 February "Curious Customs of Christmas" with Dr Gerry Bowler
  - 9 March "Theological Lessons from Secular Presentations of Paul" with Dr David Lappano of the Centre for Christian Studies
  - 6 April "From Mother to Martyr: Woman Martyrs in Early Christianity" with Dr Heather Barkman
- Attended a meeting on 14 February called by Edgar French, University of Manitoba's spiritual care coordinator, with various other chaplains and faith-based student groups regarding an available space which may be set aside for use by faith organizations. The project is in its earliest stages and the logistics of such a space will be complicated. There is great energy and enthusiasm for this on the part of the various faith communities on campus.
- Presided at liturgy for Ash Wednesday (6 March). The liturgy of the day (imposition of ashes and Holy Eucharist) was held in the chapel, at which 17 attended, about 75% of whom were from St John's College and the wider university community. The others were Anglicans with parish affiliations who came to SJC because of convenience (time of day and/or geography).
- I am working as part of a team on a project, at the bishop's request, called *Liturgies for Living*. It is an effort to incorporate ecological awareness and theology into the liturgies our communities undertake throughout the season of Eastertide (21 April-9 June this year). This work will be presented as a workshop on 27 March.

## Bursar

Bursar's Report to Assembly March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019

### Financial

At a meeting of the Finance & Administration Committee on March 12<sup>th</sup>, the committee moved to recommend to Assembly the approval of the 2019-20 residence rates and the 2019-20 operating budget. We have struck a balanced budget excluding the Capital Campaign, in accordance with the parameters set by College Council. We anticipate another busy summer residence and conference season, with many returning groups from last year, some new ones, and a good base of regular residence students. If we can build on and maintain our strong catering revenues from 18-19, continue to be busy in the Daily Bread Café, and once again have a full residence for the regular academic term, we stand a very good chance of having another strong year from a budget perspective. We have also managed to add some funds to support the College Fellows and the work that they do, as well as strengthen support for both ongoing and new student support initiatives.

### Residence project

The workshop portion of the Integrated Design Process has concluded after three very valuable and engaging workshops with the design consultants that included representation from the various constituent groups that have an interest in the College, as well as representatives from the University of Manitoba. The architects will now present their plans to the cost consultants who will present to them an estimate of the costs for the 3 options – renovation, new build, and new build with a zero carbon energy efficiency rating.

### Administration

The College is in the midst of making some changes to the positions that provide administrative support to the College Fellows. As these changes have not yet been finalized, details cannot be provided but I can provide assurance that the role of Faculty Assistant will be maintained and it is my hope that a permanent ongoing solution is close at hand.

## **Dean of Residence**

### **Dean of Residence Report – March 11, 2019**

#### **Residence Projects**

There are no major projects happening in the residence right now. A few major maintenances were requested over the Winter term so far. Notable are plumbing and leaking in 2 bathrooms and water dripping from rooftop into residence room.

#### **Regular Semester**

We have 1 vacant room in the residence at the moment. We are focusing on summer bookings now. Some of our usual short stay groups such as IEP, Health Career Quest, Math camp and Engineering group (China) have already shown interest in booking rooms with us.

#### **Residence Activity**

A few incidents of students breaching the contract, most commonly in terms of late payments. Rest of the residents are reasonably following the rules.

It is not uncommon for university students to face difficulties with adjusting to the campus environment, especially for the first two years. Whether its course load, social life, physical or mental health, difference in diet or culture shock, we at the office recognize that our consistent attention is needed to ensure residents receive adequate support from us. We will continue to provide support to students in need to the best of our ability.

Don interviews are set for March 13th and residence council elections will take place right after. Sherry Peters and I are planning for the Brandon Career Symposium on April 15th for 3 days. We will be focusing on displaying our community involvement to attendees. I have also arranged for a recruitment trip with Chris Trott and Jackie Markstrom for May 14th and 15th; we will visit 3 high schools in Neepawa, Dauphin and Gladstone.

For March and April, the residence is planning several events. A few noteworthy are bowling night, Across the Board café and year-end Banquet dinner.

Thank you.

## **Development Officer**

Development Officer Report to Assembly  
March 2019

### **Fundraising**

- To date raised: \$264,372. There is an outstanding \$50,000 pledge for the New Residence project.
- Recently mailed out the Chaplaincy request to a targeted group – clergy/church.
- Received sponsorship of the Health Career Quest Camp for \$8,000.
- Have applied for a professional development grant from the Wpg Fdn to help offset costs to attend a conference in Montreal in April.
- Assisted the UofM press in raising funds to publish the Proch book.

### **Alumni/Stewardship**

- Continuing to visit with Johnnians.
- An alumni trip to Vancouver and Victoria in February was successful with a confirmed planned gift.
- Working on alumni visits to Ottawa on 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> April and 9<sup>th</sup> April in Montreal
- Fayez, Dean of Residence, is preparing a Residence awareness trip to Portage, Dauphin and Gladstone for May. Hoping to have an alumni reception at the same time.

### **Special Events**

- Lunch and Lively with Kevin Boreskie was very well received and we are planning the 16<sup>th</sup> April with Jill Beuddefeld, a grad student who will speak to climate change.
- Bach's Birthday on 21<sup>st</sup> March at 2.30pm – Fellows are welcome to attend. It is a 40 minute concert held in the chapel with a reception afterwards in the Senior Common Room to honour retired and retiring Fellows/Staff.

### **Marketing/Communications**

- The current issue of In Lumine has been distributed.
- Working on an e-newsletter featuring some of our Fellows.

### **Staffing**

- Richard, our Work Study student, finished working with us at the beginning of March.
- Applied to Canada Summer jobs for a grant for the 2019 summer student. Likely will find out in May if we have been successful.

### **Capital Campaign**

- The Development Committee has reviewed and revised several policies.
- Identifying potential Campaign Cabinet members
- Setting out a timeline for the CC.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Jackie Markstrom  
11<sup>th</sup> March, 2019

### **Registrar**

Registrar's Report  
March 2019

The SJCSA Grad banquet is coming up, March 30<sup>th</sup> at Bergmann's on Lombard. Cocktails are at 5:30, dinner begins at 6:30 pm. You should have all received an invitation in your email. Please RSVP to Amy in the General Office by March 25.

February 21st was the University of Manitoba Open House student recruitment event. It was probably the busiest our booth has ever been at one of these. I was very pleased with the enthusiasm of the students attending.

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.



**b) Report from Senior Stick**

**SJCSA Report**

- March 16<sup>th</sup>: Paint Night in the Daily Bread
  - o Most tickets have been sold
- March 29<sup>th</sup> Bake Sale and Puppies in the Cross Commons Room from 11-2
  - o Dogs will be coming from Manitoba Mutts
  - o Daily Bread will be donating baked goods
- March 30<sup>th</sup> Graduation dinner at Bergmann's on Lombard

Thank you,  
Susanne Schwickart  
SJCSA Senior Stick

**7. Adjournment**

MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned.

S. Close / F. Hasan

CARRIED

# Visiting Research Fellowships in Western Canadian Studies

St John's College (SJC), University of Manitoba, invites applications for Visiting Researcher Fellowships. Fellowships provide resources, space and community for scholars from a variety of disciplinary perspectives, whose work focuses on the study of Western Canada. St John's College is Western Canada's oldest post-secondary institution, established in 1866. It became a founding College of the University of Manitoba in 1877. The College has been an important home for Canadian Studies research since the 1970s. Recipients of the Fellowship will be part of a lively and engaged scholarly community.

Fellows will have office space, access to administrative support, and library privileges. Other on-campus resources include University of Manitoba Archives and Special Collections, and the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation (NCTR). The Hudson's Bay Company Archives are also located in Winnipeg.

**Available Support: Short-term fellowships (\$1500) of 1-2 months duration; Long-term fellowships (\$3000) 3-6 months.** The College will consider applications for full year fellowships, depending on availability of space, but the maximum support remains \$3000. The fellowships also have a small budget for a workshop, colloquium, or lecture in an area of Western Canadian studies. Visiting Researchers are expected to organize an event as condition of the award.

**Eligibility:** Research fellowships are open to academic faculty from any university, at all stages of career, and post-doctoral researchers, working in the area of Western Canadian studies.

**How to Apply:** The next application deadline for fellowships is **June 15, 2019**. Please provide a curriculum vitae, and a letter outlining the purpose of your stay and your research project. Fellowship applications are adjudicated by the SJC Canadian Studies Committee. Applicants will receive notification about the success of their application within a month.

To apply or for more information, please contact Prof. Esyllt Jones, Dean of Studies.  
[esyllt.jones@umanitoba.ca](mailto:esyllt.jones@umanitoba.ca)



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Karine Levasseur

I am an Associate Professor in the Department of Political Studies, Faculty of Arts. My areas of research and teaching interests are in Canadian Public Administration. I teach regularly in the Master of Public Administration (MPA) program which is jointly offered with the University of Winnipeg. In terms of my research, I am interested in how Canada's governance system needs to become more open, collaborative and inclusive of non-government actors, especially registered charities and non-profit organizations. While other countries have followed this trend towards greater collaboration between government and non-government actors, which involves joint decision-making on public policy solutions, Canada is a laggard. The implications of this involves the creation of public policy without the incorporation of fresh ideas or the experience from front-line service delivery experts (i.e. staff/volunteers at shelters or food banks for example). To be sure, government may have consulted charities and non-profits, but the power to decide public policy is rooted firmly within Canadian governments so it is challenging to know what the policy solution would have looked like if there was genuine collaborative decision-making.

## **St John's College**

### **2019/2020 Assembly Meeting Dates**

#### **Assembly Executive**

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

Tuesday	September 10, 2019	@ 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday	October 29, 2019	@ 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday	January 7, 2020	@ 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday	March 10, 2020	@ 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday	April 28, 2020	@ 2:30 p.m.

#### **Assembly**

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

Tuesday	September 17, 2019	@ 2:30 p.m.
Wednesday	November 6, 2019	@ 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday	January 14, 2020	@ 2:30 p.m.
Wednesday	March 18, 2020	@ 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday	May 5, 2020	@ 2:30 p.m.

## **St John's College**

### **2019/2020 Council Meeting Dates**

#### **Council Executive**

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

Tuesday	September 10, 2019	@ 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday	November 5, 2019	@ 3:30 p.m.
Tuesday	January 7, 2020	@ 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday	March 10, 2020	@ 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday	May 5, 2020	@ 3:30 p.m.

#### **Council**

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

Wednesday	September 25, 2019	@ 5:30 pm
Wednesday	November 20, 2019	@ 5:30 pm
Wednesday	January 22, 2020	@ 5:30 pm
Wednesday	March 25, 2020	@ 5:30 pm
Wednesday	May 20, 2020	@ 5:30 pm

### Enrolment Statistics for 2019

	<u><i>Dec. 2018</i></u>	<u><i>Dec. 2019</i></u>
Agriculture and Food Science (7)	28	19
Architecture (9)	8	17
Arts (1)	120	107
Asper School of Business (6)	31	37
Dental Hygiene (20)	1	1
Dentistry (17)	14	9
Education (8)	16	17
Engineering (3)	54	50
Environment, Earth, and Resources (28)	17	18
Extended Education (26)	15	17
Fine Arts (15)	13	13
Graduate Studies (16)	92	106
Health Sciences (was Human Ecology) (29)	9	11
Kinesiology and Recreation Management (22)	9	12
Law (10)	21	21
Medical Rehabilitation (19)	0	
Medicine (5)	31	33
Music (21)	3	2
Nursing (13)	38	48
Pharmacy (11)	10	6
Science (2)	184	189
Social Work (12)	10	10
University 1 (27)	83	77
<b>Total</b>	<b>807</b>	<b>820</b>

## Enrolment Statistics for 2018

	<u><i>Dec. 2017</i></u>	<u><i>Dec. 2018</i></u>
Agriculture and Food Science	29	28
Architecture	10	8
Arts	120	120
Asper School of Business	34	31
Dental Hygiene	0	1
Dentistry	14	14
Education	15	16
Engineering	51	54
Environment, Earth, and Resources	21	17
Extended Education	18	15
Fine Arts	8	13
Graduate Studies	66	92
Health Sciences (was Human Ecology)	3	9
Kinesiology and Recreation Management	8	9
Law	17	21
Medical Rehabilitation	1	
Medicine	27	31
Music	4	3
Nursing	32	38
Pharmacy	10	10
Science	181	184
Social Work	10	10
University 1	74	83
<b>Total</b>	<b>753</b>	<b>807</b>

**St John's College**  
**Warden's Report to Assembly**  
**May 7, 2019**

As a College we were very pleased to hear that 5 of our students won Emerging Leaders Awards (out of 44) and 4 of our students won the Presidential Student Leadership Scholarships (out of 27 province-wide). Kevin Boreskie, a doctoral student in Kinesiology and a member of the College, not only won a Presidential Student Leadership Scholarship but also won the 3MT competition at the University. We also have 6 President's Scholars as members of the College and 3 of our members won in the Undergraduate Research Poster Competition. I wrote to each of the winners and invited them to drop by and introduce themselves to me. I was privileged to meet some of the most dynamic, engaged and articulate students I have ever met. This is surely what St John's College is all about. As a College we continue to bat far above our small size in terms of achievements.

Since the last meeting of Assembly, I have been engaged in a number of activities:

- 1) Taught a session on Inuit and Nunavut for the Librarians' Indigenous Awareness Program (and I will teach it again in June), March 20
- 2) Attended the Bach's Birthday Concert, March 21
- 3) Attended Diocesan Council, March 23
- 4) Attended the West Broadway Community Ministry 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary Gala Dinner, March 23
- 5) Represented the College at the Centre for Christian Studies Annual Service of Celebration, March 24
- 6) Participated in the Westworth United Church Interfaith Reconciliation series March 11, 25, April 1
- 7) Attended College Graduation Dinner/Dance, March 30
- 8) Attended Food for the Journey, April 6
- 9) Attended Residence end of year banquet, April 6
- 10) Visited donors and alumni in Ottawa and Montreal April 7-9
- 11) Chaired the joint Diocese of Rupert's Land/SJC Theological Education Council, April 11
- 12) Attended the Journey into Passiontide service in the Chapel, April 14
- 13) Attended Lunch and Lively presentation, April 16
- 14) Attended the Easter Vigil in the Chapel, April 20
- 15) Participated in a hiring committee for Native Studies/History, April 23
- 16) Examined a doctoral dissertation, May 1

I continue to sit on Deans and Directors Council, University Senate and work with the Anglican-Mennonite dialogue.

This past winter term, the College cooperated with Canadian Mennonite University and St Margaret's Church to offer a course "Anglican Foundations". The College vetted the course content and instructor, CMU provided the academic credit, and St Margaret's the venue. We had 4 people take the course for credit and 14 audit the course. We have a fee sharing arrangement with CMU where they collect the course fees and CMU keeps 25% and remits 75% to the College. The College pays the instructor, with this salary offset by the fees. This is our first cooperative venture of this nature, and it has been successful enough that we will want to try it again.

## Dean of Studies: Report to Assembly September 17, 2019

Welcome back to all everyone! We have a busy fall already underway at the College. In addition to welcoming several new Fellows, we also say goodbye this fall to Julie Gibbings, who has left UM and taken up a new position in Edinburgh, and to Erin Millions, who is pursuing postdoctoral research at University of Winnipeg this year.

### Committees

A list of new and returning committee members was circulated in the summer. There have been a couple of changes, and the current list will be circulated at Assembly for ratification.

### Nominations for New Fellows

We are committed to allocating some of our office space for senior doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers. The departure of Erin Millions has opened up an office for a new scholar.

The Membership Committee is nominating **Francois Jordaan** for a one-year Visiting Fellowship. Francois is a doctoral candidate in the Department of Anthropology, studying with Prof. Kent Fowler. His research is focused on social identities of Early Farming Communities in the southeastern Lowland region of South Africa. Francois has given a number of research papers here and in South Africa, and has been awarded numerous grants in support of his research. He is already a SJC scholarship recipient and active student member of the College.

The Membership Committee is also putting forward Melanie Unrau for a one-year renewal of her Visiting Fellowship. Melanie successfully defended her dissertation **“Tend the rusted steel like a shepherd”: Petropoetics of Oil Work in Canada** in the Department English, Theatre, Film & Media in August, and is pursuing postdoctoral research under the supervision of SJC Fellow Diana Brydon.

### Visiting Researcher in Western Canadian Studies

This year we had a significant increase in the number of applications for the Visiting Researcher positions. This was in large measure due to the work of Amy Craddock, who helped me to build an email list of relevant departments across Western Canada, who received the posting last spring. I also want to thank all of you for helping us promote this new program.

The Visiting Speakers/Canadian Studies Committee vetted the applications and we offered the positions to two scholars, **Dr. Dale Barbour** and **Dr. Rhonda Hinthier**, both of whom accepted. Dr. Barbour is with us at the College until early January, when Dr. Hinthier will take up the office space. I am putting forward each of these Visiting Researchers for six-month Visiting Fellowships at the College



You can find information about Dr. Barbour's research on the SJC website  
[http://umanitoba.ca/colleges/st\\_johns/programs/237.html](http://umanitoba.ca/colleges/st_johns/programs/237.html)

My research project is an environmental, social, and cultural history project entitled *Muddied Waters: The Social and Environmental Transformation of Winnipeg's Red and Assiniboine Rivers, 1900-1972*. Winnipeg's rivers are central to western Canadian history and historiography and yet in the early twentieth century they disappear behind a declensionist arc. Urban sewage and pollution are blamed for driving people out of the rivers. Winnipeg would only begin to publicly embrace its rivers again in the 1970s.

I will consider how a polluted environment is multi-layered and contested. Working-class and middle-class people used the rivers as a courtship space in the early twentieth century and metaphorically cleansed the water with their presence. However, the departure of sanctioned users and environmental decline worked in tandem with the use of the river by marginalized groups—bathers, homeless people seeking shelter, Indigenous people, and gay and heterosexual people seeking sexual encounters—to contribute to the portrayal of Winnipeg's rivers as places of social pollution. Winnipeg's relationship with its rivers wasn't simply one of decline but rather social transformation.

Dr. Hinthner will be at the College during her sabbatical year from Brandon University, where she is an Associate Professor. She will be completing a book manuscript based on research on the history of leftist internment during WWII in Canada, much of which has a Western Canadian focus. The book project examines this topic through the experiences of the Ukrainian-Jewish extended Walsh/Weir/Boyd/Steele family.

### **Marjorie Ward Lecture**

I'm pleased to announce that the 2020 Marjorie Ward Lecture will be given by Prof. Joan Sangster (Trent University), on Thursday March 12. Dr. Sangster is Past President of the Canadian Historical Association, and a prolific scholar in the history of women and gender, and labour history. Her latest book, *100 Years of Struggle: The History of Women and the Vote in Canada* is shortlisted for this year's Dafoe Prize.

### **Fellows Recognition Award**

It is time for us to strike a committee for the Fellows Recognition Award. The previous recipient of this award was Prof. Francis Carroll, in 2016. The Terms of Reference for the award, which is normally given every 3-5 years, has been circulated. We require two Fellows to serve on this committee.

### **Soup and Bread**

For the past two years, Soup and Bread was very ably convened by Micheline Hughes and Erin Millions. It is an important role, for which I am still seeking a new volunteer or two. If anyone is interested in helping out, please let me know.

In the interim, we have three lunchtime lectures scheduled for this fall:

Dale Barbour, October 2

Liv Valmestad, Nov 6

Ariel Gordon (UM Press), Nov 27

### **“Coffee’s On”**

After we had some discussion last term about more opportunities to socialize informally at the College, Amy and I would like to trial a new initiative. We will have a pot of coffee made and baking available in the early afternoon on the first Monday of each month in the Senior Common Room. We are asking for volunteers to contribute a modest amount of baking for these events. Amy will circulate reminders.

### **Writing Tutor Program**

We are continuing to offer our writing tutor program in the college Library, beginning this week. Hours are yet to be confirmed by the Academic Learning Centre, but we will circulate that information as soon as we have it. Please share with your students. A reminder that all students are able to access this service. They do not have to be SJC members.

I received the following data from James Honeyford at the Academic Learning Centre about the first year of SJC’s writing tutor program:

“The schedule at SJC was used quite well. For the year, 59% of the available slots were used for writing tutor appointments, which is exactly in line with the utilization rates for our other locations on campus (with the exception of the Dafoe library).

As I monitored the schedule during the winter term, I noticed that most of the days were fully booked until about 24 hours before, and then we saw quite a few cancellations (39% of available slots). This was the case with the other libraries as well, and I think we can increase awareness of our waiting list feature to reduce the number of appointments that go unused.

The students we saw in the St. John’s Library location represented a nice cross-section of students:

- 82% undergrad; 15% grad students, 3% extended ed.

- 12 different faculties identified, with U1 (31%), Science (16%), Architecture (13%), and Arts (10%) as the most frequent

- 8 different languages identified as first/home language (plus 11 appointments for students who identified “other”); 49% identified a language other than English.”

## **Dean of Studies: Report to Assembly March 19, 2019**

### **Cram Night**

The Winter Term exam period Cram Night was held in the SJC Library on April 17, from 4:30 until midnight. This event is co-sponsored by the Dean of Studies and the SJC Students' Association, and catered by Daily Bread Café.

### **Visiting Researcher Fellowships in Western Canadian Studies**

Please find attached to this report the ad for Visiting Researchers for the 2019-2020 academic year. You will have received this via email, but I am encouraging everyone to circulate it to their personal networks to help us attract candidates. The deadline for applications is **June 15, 2019**.

For your information, a report on the first year of our program follows:

### **REPORT ON WESTERN CANADIAN STUDIES RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM, 2018-2019**

This program has been a success in its first year. We have supported two researchers: Erin Millions (long-term) and Keith Hyde (short-term). Brief project summaries and activity reports appear below, followed by a financial statement.

SJC provided these researchers with office space, administrative support, library privileges and research stipends of \$3000 and \$1500 respectively, and offered financial support for events, encouraged as part of the award.

#### **Erin Millions (Post-doctoral Researcher):**

During my time as a Western Canadian Studies Fellow at St. John's College, I worked 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.

I organized and/or presented: Soup and Bread Lecture, SJC, "Indigenous Histories of Tuberculosis in Manitoba and the Unnamed Patient: Active History and The Manitoba Lung Association Archive Photo Naming Project", and the workshop "Beadwork and Sewing As Art, History and Traditional Knowledge," March 14, Migitzii Agamik.

### **J. Keith Hyde (University College of the North)**

When Rev. Henry Budd (c.1812-1875) was establishing Anglican missions at The Pas, MB, and Nepowewin, SK, he chronicled his activities in a series of journals for the Church Missionary Society. Because only the journals from 1870-1875 have been transcribed, I plan to begin transcribing the earlier years dating back to Dec. 1850. This undertaking will provide further insights into Budd's preliminary years of ministry following his ordination, as well as facilitating further scholarship into Budd and his legacy as one of the first Indigenous Anglican priests in North America.

Presentation: Soup and Bread Lecture, SJC, "Wonderful Strange Notions": Life, Death, and Edits in the Early Journals of Rev. Henry Budd (c. 1812-1875)"

### **Budget**

#### Revenue:

SJC	\$5000
Dean's Office, Faculty of Arts	\$2500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7500</b>

#### Expenditures:

Stipend, Erin Millions	\$3000
Stipend, Keith Hyde	\$1500
<b>Event expenses:</b>	
Beadwork and Sewing, Migitzii Agamik	\$1406.26
Soup and Bread Lecture, "Indigenous Histories of Tuberculosis,"	\$158.26
Soup and Bread Lecture, "Early Journals of Rev. Henry Budd"	\$158.26
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6222.78</b>

FINAL BALANCE

\$1,277.22

This balance will be carried over into program funding for 2019-2020, and will constitute the Dean of Arts' contribution. The SJC budget includes ongoing support of \$5000 for the program.

### **New Fellows**

The Membership Committee met to determine the allocation of available office space and consider applications for Fellowships. There is a motion before Assembly today on the committee's nomination of Prof. Karine Levasseur, from the Department of Political Studies.

We also have two Fellows joining or returning to the College: Mary Benbow, Faculty of the Environment, a long-time Senior Fellow returning after a period as an Administrator in that faculty; and Annette Demarais (CRC in Human Rights, Social Justice and Food Security), who was elected by Assembly a couple of years ago, but unable to take up her tenure here until now.

Leaving us as Visiting Fellows this spring are Bob Coutts and Murray Evans. We wish to thank them for their collegiality and commitment to the College during their time here.

Unfortunately, we don't currently have available space for new ABD doctoral students. Space may open up over the summer. If Fellows have students who might be interested in space here, please have them email me, while advising that space is limited at the College right now. We are also working with the SJCSA to secure some carrel space for doctoral students preparing for comprehensive exams. Our recent enrollment statistics saw the number of graduate student members of SJC rise significantly. We'd like to be able to provide support for these students. If any of you have ideas for programming, please get in touch with me.

## Chaplain's Report to SJC Assembly

7 May 2019

In addition to the usual schedule of services and student/community support, planning for summer and the 2019/20 academic year has begun. Specific events of note since the last assembly meeting include:

- Performed in the Bach's Birthday recital on 21 March
- Attended diocesan council on 23 March
- Attended a UManitoba Spiritual Care interfaith student gathering at SJC on 26 March, planting seeds for further programming in 2019/20
- Attended SJC graduation banquet on 30 March
- Facilitated final *Food for the Journey* event with Dr Heather Barkman on 6 April (*From Mother to Martyr: Woman Martyrs in the Early Church*)
- Attended SJC end-of-year residence banquet on 6 April
- Attended diocesan liturgy for consecration of oils and renewal of vows at St John's Cathedral on 7 April
- Attended UManitoba *Visionary Conversations—Healthcare as a Human Right: How do we break down barriers for queer Manitobans?* on 11 April
- Planned and presided at The Great Vigil of Easter at SJC on 20 April—good attendance from SJC members and multiple parishes throughout the city (~35 attending) and positive feedback regarding attending such events at the College
- Attended ordination of Theo Robinson to the diaconate (transitional) on 1 May
- Planned and presided at Holy Eucharist for St John the Evangelist, patron saint of SJC on 6 May
- Planning Holy Eucharist for Eve of Ascension Day (29 May) with *All the King's Men* and their final Evensong for 2018/19 (2 June)

## **Bursar's Report to Assembly May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

### **Financial**

The Finance & Administration Committee met on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Pam Dupuis of BDO Canada presented the Audit Planning Report, outlining the scope and methods that will be used for the upcoming audit, currently scheduled to begin on June 10<sup>th</sup>. We also received a presentation from our investment managers, Doherty & Associates, on the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2019.

We are currently working on our year end financial statements as we prepare for the audit. As has been reported previously throughout this year, we are anticipating our final numbers will be very positive, and an overall surplus that exceeds our budget for the year.

Our summer residence numbers continue to look strong and are in line with what we have budgeted for 2019-20.

### **Residence project**

We have received a draft submission of the final report regarding the three residence project options, and it will be presented to College Council on May 22<sup>nd</sup> so that a decision can be made as to which option the College will choose to move forward with.

### **Daily Bread Café**

The DBC has been closed this week so that we can make improvements to the flooring in the serving area of the Café. This will provide us with coved flooring – a code requirement that is easier to clean and more conducive to a food service area.

During the closure we have been serving our customers through Pizza Joe's in the Galleria. This has worked out very well, and we hope to have the Café open again beginning the week of May 6<sup>th</sup>.

### **Administration**

Miriam Chavez has joined St John's as our new Receptionist and is settling into her new position very well. Amy Craddock has transitioned to her new position as Events/Communications Coordinator and Faculty Assistant and is doing also doing very well. Diana DeFoort continues her work as Awards Clerk.

Your patience during these changes was very much appreciated and I think the College is positioned very well administratively going forward.

## Dean of Residence Report – May 6, 2018

### Residence Projects

There are no major projects happening in the residence right now.

### Summer Semester

We have 50 rooms filled as of today. Usually we have depended on summer conference groups to fill rooms in the summer. This year we are more consistent with the number of regular students staying over most of the summer. The residence is about 60% full in June. As usual, July is our busiest month, with a 70% occupancy approximately. August goes back to around 50%.

We still have about 6 conference groups that are staying with us at different time periods over the summer.

### Residence Activity

No activities planned for the summer.

The new dons successfully completed their training and are performing excellent in their positions so far.

Thank you.



Development Officer Report to Assembly  
May 2019

**Fundraising**

- Total raised for 2018 fiscal year was \$272,363 which is slightly lower than last year.
- Recently mailed out the Chaplaincy request to a targeted group – clergy/church. Response is consistent with previous years
- Currently trying to raise the remaining \$150,000 to pay for the Integrated Design Phase of the capital campaign – have met with a couple of donors.

**Alumni/Stewardship**

- Continuing to visit with Johnians.
- Setting up visits with alumni/donors in the Dauphin, Gladstone and Neepawa area for the 14<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> May.

**Special Events**

- Lunch and Lively with grad student Jill Bueddefeld who spoke to ecotourism. Very well received by the attendees. The next L&L will be held during Homecoming.

**Marketing/Communications**

- E-Newsletter featuring some of our Fellows was sent in early April. We had good response with both open (47.7%) and click rate (2.7%) above industry average.
- Working on the Annual Report to Donors to be mailed early June.
- Will start on the Trust endowment reports to be mailed later in May.

**Staffing**

- Our Summer Jobs application was approved for 8 weeks. Ade was the successful candidate for this position and he will be working 10 hours a week for Development. The rest of his time will be taken up by the College.

**Capital Campaign**

- Continuing to work on the materials to ensure a successful campaign.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jackie Markstrom  
3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2019



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## Registrar's Report May 2019

Fayaz and I attended The Brandon Career Symposium April 15 – 17, 2019. There was a fairly steady turnout, though most of the students attending were in grades 9 and 10, and sometimes as young as grade 8. Hopefully we will see them again in subsequent years as they move toward graduation.

Coming up in June is HeadStart, though I have not yet received any information on it. I expect we will once again have a table there for student recruitment. As well as at Orientation in September.

Sherry Peters  
Registrar