

Minutes

Bishop Bedford-Jones took the Chair at 12:04 p.m. and called the Annual Meeting of the Corporation to order. The Secretary read an acknowledgement of the traditional Indigenous land on which Trinity College operates, and instructions for how members should use the Zoom platform.

1. Prayer

Dean Brittain offered a prayer to open the proceedings.

2. Resolutions

The Secretary read the following four resolutions for departed Members of Corporation:

R. Brian Parker

Prof. Brian Parker died in Toronto on July 25, 2020. His absence leaves a void where he had provided a dynamic field of force from his first years at Trinity College through more than two decades of retirement.

Brian's life-journey began in Bunbury, Cheshire, UK, a village in northern England which he enjoyed citing, even in his CV, because its name features in Oscar Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest*. He received his undergraduate and graduate degrees from the University of Liverpool, the University of London, and, finally, the Shakespeare Institute at the University of Birmingham. He wrote his PhD dissertation under the supervision of Allardyce Nicoll, founding director of the Shakespeare Institute: "A Critical Edition of Robert Greene's *A Quip for an Upstart Courtier* (1592)."

In 1957, Brian moved to the United States as a Fulbright Fellow, lecturing for a year each at the University of Texas, the University of Wisconsin, and the University of Colorado. Appointed in 1960

as a Lecturer for the Department of English at Trinity College, he received promotion after promotion until he became a Full Professor in 1969, less than a decade after he arrived.

Brian's own pedagogy remained successful throughout his career, in undergraduate and graduate teaching. When he received an honorary degree at Trinity College or annual evaluations, the assessments in speeches and print depicted a professor who inspired his students, especially in the subject of theatre, the transfer of a text from page to stage. He accompanied groups to performances, discussing productions in gatherings that occurred afterwards or around his desk when he completed the formal part of a class.

In his publications, Brian passed on his expertise in Renaissance and modern drama. He became internationally known in the process. Early in his career, he showed an interest in Canadian drama, as general editor of several new plays. He became widely known as a specialist in Tennessee Williams, analyzing the manuscripts, the drafts and revisions of several plays, his research supported by prestigious fellowships from Canada and the US.

Brian's skill-set and temperament made him a model administrator: Director of the Graduate Centre for the Study of Drama, Director of Graduate English Studies, and Dean of Arts and Vice Provost of Trinity College. His success in these offices resulted from remarkable negotiating skills and infinite diplomacy, tact, and patience. Among these roles, the first combined two of his major interests: teaching and theatre. After assuming the directorship of the Graduate Centre for the Study of Drama, he was quoted in the *Globe and Mail*: "I should love to explore the psychology of drama, and the concept that learning is in the form of a play. In the educational pattern of tomorrow, drama is the growing-point of modern thought." It was this belief that governed his whole career. Brian will be greatly missed.

Judith Ransom

Judith Ransom died of cancer on September 2, 2020 at the age of 79. Born in Rossland, B.C., she was raised in nearby Trail and in Galt (Cambridge), Ontario. High school scholarships led her to Trinity College, her mother's *alma mater*, where she too studied languages – in her case, French, German, and Spanish. In her 3rd year, she was Vice-President of the University of Toronto Student

Administrative Council, but she always found time to spend with her year mates and other fellow St. Hildians.

In the summer of 1962, she was one of two U of T students chosen to be a delegate to the World University Service Seminar in Poland. After graduation in 1963, she volunteered with CUSO (Canadian University Service Overseas), initially helping with a rural health and community development project in a remote area of southern India. After becoming CUSO Co-ordinator in India and then more experience as CUSO's Asia Co-ordinator in Canada, she began her main career which was teaching English as a Second Language and English Upgrading at George Brown and Seneca Colleges. In this period, she acquired an M.Ed. and enjoyed overseas ESL teaching assignments in Cuba, Indonesia, and China. In twenty years of retirement, in addition to Trinity activities, she travelled to over fifty countries, was active in the North York University Woman's Club, enjoyed art, books, French, and status of women groups while spending a lot of time with her family.

Judy always travelled extensively, but, when back in Toronto, she was deeply involved with Trinity College. She was an active year rep for over fifty years, very active in the Friends of the Library, the annual Book Sale, the Corporation, the Chapel, the St. Hilda's Alumna Organization, served on the Senate, and was on the Nominating Committee to hire a new Director of Alumni Affairs in 1983. It is not surprising, then, that Judy was honoured with an Arbor Award. Even in the last few months, despite her illness, she, insisted on getting a letter out to her class about the 6T3 Scholarship fund.

Judy will be deeply missed by the members of 6T3 as well as by her many friends and colleagues at Trinity. Her warmth, humility, kindness, intelligence, linguistic ability, stories of other countries, and her unfailing support of so many aspects of College life will be deeply missed.

Arthur Richard Andrew Scace

Arthur Scace died Sunday, May 3, 2020 at the age of 81. He attended the University of Toronto Schools, graduating in 1956, before coming to the University of Toronto and Trinity College. He graduated in 1960 and left for Harvard and Oxford (as a Rhodes Scholar) before returning to Canada to attend Osgoode Hall Law School, graduating in 1965.

Following his post-secondary education, he embarked on a career in tax law, joining McCarthy Tétrault in 1967. By 1972 he was a partner and would eventually serve as both a managing partner in Toronto and the national chairman. He is remembered at the firm not only as a brilliant lawyer, but as a mentor and inspiration to those he worked with. He was always willing to share his knowledge of Canadian tax law with the next generation of legal minds, literally writing a book about it and teaching at Osgoode Hall and U of T. He also served as a bencher and Treasurer of the Law Society of Upper Canada.

It would be impossible to talk about Arthur's legacy, however, and not mention his unassailable philanthropic spirit. He offered his time as a director for many educational and cultural organizations, including the William and Nona Heaslip Foundation, the University of Toronto Schools, and the Canadian Opera Company. Arthur and his wife, Susan, were dedicated members and benefactors of the University of Toronto community ever since they met during their undergraduate years at Trinity. Recently, as part of U of T's Landmark Project, the Scaces have funded a row of trees along Tower Road, within view of Trinity, which will be named in their honour.

Arthur was well-recognized for his life's achievements. He was made Queen's Counsel in 1986, received honorary degrees from York University, the University of Toronto, and Trinity College, an honorary fellowship at Corpus Christi College in Oxford, and was made a Member of the Order of Canada in 2004. Arthur was a larger-than-life figure in all the communities that were fortunate enough to call him a member, and his presence will be sorely missed.

George Ronald Williams

George Ronald Williams was a Professor of Biochemistry, Principal of Scarborough College, and a Fellow of Trinity College. Ron Williams was born in Liverpool in 1928 and attended Merchant Taylor's School before entering the University of Liverpool. He joined the Department of Biochemistry at the University of Toronto after immigrating to Canada in 1956 with his wife, Joyce. He remained a member of the department until his retirement, serving as the Chair of the Department from 1970 to 1977. He became the 6th Principal of Scarborough College (now the University of Toronto Scarborough).

His interest in the chemistry of life was evident from an early age and it evolved into a concern for the health of this planet and its environment. His last published work was a book entitled *The Molecular Biology of Gaia*, in which he considered the possibility of studying the earth as an organism in its own right.

But his interests were much wider than this - he and his wife Joyce were strong supporters of the United Church of Canada. In his youth he was a successful middle-distance runner and later in life hiking became his passion, particularly enjoying mountain walks in the Canadian Rockies, North Wales, Scotland, and in Europe. He also loved music and was frequently seen at concerts in Toronto and at performances of the Canadian Opera Company. Like many Trinity Fellows, Ron was very much a polymath and many enjoyed stimulating conversations with him in the Senior Common Room. Paul Gooch defines a polymath as one having the 'mind of a scientist and the heart of a humanist'. Ron Williams will be greatly missed.

The Corporation **resolved** to express its gratitude for the life and service of these three members to the College and that these resolutions be inscribed on the minutes and copies sent with the sympathy of the Corporation to their families.

A moment of silence was held for these members.

3. Minutes

The Secretary then read a summary of the minutes of the Spring Meeting of Corporation, held on April 23, 2020.

The Secretary moved, seconded by Ms. Katherine Dunlop, **that** the minutes of the Annual Meeting held on April 23, 2020 be approved.

The motion was **carried**.

4. Motion to Excuse Absent Members

Mr. Shashwat Aggarwal moved, seconded by Ms. Cindy Lui, **that** the members who advised the Secretary of their inability to attend be excused.

The motion was **carried**.

5. Report of the Provost

Provost Moran delivered her report on the status of Trinity College. This report is appended to the minutes (Appendix A).

Provost Moran notified the Corporation that Prof. Robert A. Spencer, Honorary Fellow of the College, would soon be celebrating his 100th birthday. The Corporation sent their greetings and best wishes to Prof. Spencer on such an auspicious occasion.

A video, "[Trinity College First Year Student Experiences](#)", was played for the Corporation.

Assistant Provost Jonathan Steels and Associate Director, Community Wellness Ramata Tarawally reported to the Corporation on the background and structure of the Task Force on Anti-Black Racism and Inclusion.

Registrar Nelson De Melo reported to the Corporation the recipients of this year's Chancellor William C. Graham Awards. The report is appended to the minutes (Appendix B).

6. Report of the Board of Trustees

Mr. Andrew McFarlane, Chair of the Board of Trustees, delivered his report on the activities of the Board. This report is appended to the minutes (Appendix C).

7. Appointment of Auditors

Mr. MacFarlane moved, seconded by Ms. Sharon Geraghty, that KPMG be appointed Auditors of the College for the year ending April 30, 2021 and for the Pension Fund for the year ending June 30, 2021, at a fee to be set by the Board of Trustees.

The motion was **carried**.

8. Notices of Motion

No notices of motion were given.

9. Other Business

No other business was raised by the Corporation.

The Rev. Canon Dr. Darcey Lazerte pronounced the benediction.

Bishop Bedford-Jones adjourned the meeting at 1:07 p.m.

Chair

Michael Bedford-Jones

Secretary

Christopher Hogendoorn



**Provost's Report to Corporation
October 23, 2020**

Provost's Remarks:

Introduction

A very warm welcome to all members of Corporation and guests, and a special welcome to those of you who are attending for the first time. I do hope that all of you are as well as possible in these complicated times. We are acutely aware of the stress that many members of the community are facing and are doing our very best to counter that. We always welcome any suggestions about how we could do better—many of our very best ideas come from you!

So much has happened since the last time we met, that I confess it is hard for me to summarize what Trinity life has been like since April. Then we were still reeling from the sad reality of having to send our students home and move all of our teaching and everything else online. But early on in the pandemic a wise person said, if you think it's hard to shut a university down, just try opening one back up! Truer words were never spoken. You will know from my messages that almost from the moment we shut down, we established our Re-Opening Steering Committee. Literally almost every member of college was involved in one way or another trying to reimagine college life during a pandemic. We reorganized everything from teaching spaces to Strachan Hall to washroom use. We reimaged how we ran our classes, advised our students and paid our bills.

As members of Corporation, I want you to know that the work done by the staff and faculty of this college was simply exemplary. There was such total commitment to doing what we needed that everyone volunteered to do whatever was necessary. Professors of medieval literature, PhD's in physics and highly trained counsellors were measuring the spaces between desks and toilets (not in the same rooms...don't worry!) Everyone was putting up signs, taping down the middle of halls etc., assembling welcome kits and doing literally anything necessary to get us ready to safely reopen.

On top of this, Trinity also provided incredible leadership for the whole university. Though it is hazardous to pick out just one person as an example that encapsulates the whole team, I wanted to highlight the incredible commitment, thought and leadership that our very own dean of students, Kristen Moore, provided here at Trinity and across the whole university. In addition to being the point person at Trinity for many of the most difficult issues around inviting students back to live in the college, Dean Moore also chaired the University of Toronto's Residence Reopening Working Group and worked closely with the VP Students to figure out how we could welcome back students to live and dine on campus. There might have been a tougher job but I don't know what it would have been. Leaders at UofT regularly told me how invaluable Kristen was and how fortunate they felt to work with her. And a huge part of why the fall has been so well planned and calm here at Trinity is due to the hard work of Kristen and the whole rest of the team here at Trinity. I do worry that so many here worked far too hard this summer and got precious little time off. But they have continued with great commitment, creativity and optimism through thick and thin and I feel lucky to work with them.

You will know from my messages that we have about 200 students here. I also want to do a shout out to them. In the media we hear a lot of coverage that blames young adults for many things. I can tell you that here at Trinity we feel so fortunate to have such positive, thoughtful and responsible young people. When I wander out into our very

quiet halls or Quad to say hello and see how they are, I am so impressed with their positive energy and engagement despite the challenging circumstances.

Of course, things got a lot more difficult two weeks ago when Toronto went back into many Stage 2 restrictions. However, we were prepared. For example, over the summer Assistant Provost Steels and his group completely rethought our food service including completely reconfiguring Strachan Hall seating. However, two weeks ago, sadly, we had to remove all of that seating. Fortunately, we had plans in place so that students could easily take out meals in environmentally friendly 'sustainer containers' and we had already set up outdoor seating in the Quad.

However, I will frankly tell you that all of us worry about the social isolation of our students who are now taking all of their classes online and are unable to eat in our reworked dining spaces. But our students and staff are working together to think about how we might create more opportunities for connection even in these difficult times. A few examples: we are adding more outdoor furniture (I must tell you, our Quad never felt more precious than it does now), we are trying—like everyone else—to get heat lamps, we are investigating whether we could arrange some supervised firepits so that small groups with dons or CAs could safely gather outside and enjoy some physical and spiritual warmth, we are discussing how we might host some barbeques...among many other things. The most important point that I want all of you to know is that although the circumstances are difficult, our students, faculty and staff are resilient and creative and always looking for great ways to respond to very tough circumstances.

It is heart wrenching for all of us to have had to cancel so many activities and events that are precious to us—the wonderful FOTL book sale...for the first time in my seven years as Provost I won't ring the bell—all of our High Tables and Senior Common Room activities, the wonderful Gryphon Trio evenings in the Lodge, our chapel services and choir practices, our fabulous in-person TCDS productions, among many other things.

We are, however, trying to be imaginative. We held our first virtual Divinity Convocation and virtual Matriculation this year. My dachshund Alfie was trending on the Matriculation chat with the students clamouring, "We want more Alfie, Students for Alfie!"

This term we are also holding our first virtual Conversation with the Chancellor with the outgoing president of the International Criminal Court and the first ever virtual Larkin-Stuart lecture with Bishop Michael Curry (on November 12). And our wonderful chaplain is planning a virtual Advent celebration.

There is also so much good going on here. Our students continue to be creative and dynamic in everything from how they reimagine their theatre program, to Halloween door decorating, to physically distant tea on the green roof. They've also done things like virtual plant potting and cookie decorating. To give you a little snippet of how terrific our students are, our Assistant Registrar Jerome Chang suggested we share [this little video](#) with you.

We also continue our ground breaking work on sustainability and thanks to the generosity of Brian and Joanna Lawson, our Sustainability Initiative is well underway with new director Prof Stephen Scharper and Assistant Director Prof Nicole Spiegelhaar putting their heads together to create new opportunities for students to engage in sustainability both inside and outside the classroom. It is so wonderful to have such positive energy at a time like this.

And speaking of the Lawsons, we continue to refine the designs for Trinity's beautiful new building, the Lawson Centre for Sustainability. The pandemic has certainly showed us more than ever the importance of this new building and we are so grateful for the incredibly generous support that the Trinity community has shown. Speaking of support, Trinity continues to show its care for our students and for the future of the college. After the last Corporation meeting, there was an unprecedented outpouring of support for our students, with nearly \$320,000 raised in a very short period of time for general emergency bursary support and for a special bursary program for Black, Indigenous and other racialized students.

And despite the uncertain world we live in, the Trinity community continues to step up to support our Living Trinity Campaign: we have passed the 21M mark on our goal of 40M in new money. That is on top of the 37M we have

already raised over the past several years. I want to express our deep gratitude for the generosity of this caring community who are making it possible for us to elevate everything we do here at Trinity.

Of course, this is more important than ever now. You won't be surprised to hear that we are facing a very dire financial situation as a result of the collapse of all summer revenue and the drastic reduction of our residence and other revenue this year. I feel sure that we will get through this stronger than ever but I am so aware of how much more we are asking of our terrific volunteers, especially those on the Board, Senate and other committees and we are so grateful for them.

I also wanted to bring you update to date on the work that is being done in the college to address anti-Black racism and ensure that Trinity is a welcoming place. Members of our community have called our attention to the many different ways in which Black, racialized, Muslim and other members are made to feel unwelcome. Over the past several years we have worked on a number of initiatives to create a more inclusive environment at Trinity. However, we have much more work to do and I want you to know how the Trinity community has stepped up to this challenge. A few examples: we have established a special bursary and created a dedicated mentoring program; the academic programs have created a working group to improve the inclusiveness of what they do; the Writing Centre has created a special workshop focused on journaling for Black and racialized students; the Library has created dedicated reading collections and has been tweeting about them. Last week, 174 members of Trinity staff and faculty joined in special sessions organized by UofT's Anti-Racism and Cultural Diversity Office, the first in a series of comprehensive training we are doing across the whole college community. These are just a few examples but I think they show the commitment and the energy that the whole college community has brought to ensuring we are a welcoming environment for everyone.

You will also be aware that we have established an Anti-Black Racism and Inclusion Task Force whose work is well underway. After extensive consultation, members were chosen based on their demonstrated commitment to creating a more inclusive community, their own experiences with Anti-black racism, other forms of discrimination including Anti-Asian racism and Islamophobia and homophobia, all of which were identified as very live issues at Trinity. Gender was also important as it is clear that Trinity remains a more challenging environment for women. The Task Force includes both FAS and Divinity alumni and students, as well as staff, faculty, fellows and members of governance bodies like the Board and Senate. The Task Force is Co-Chaired by Assistant Provost Jonathan Steels and Ramata Tarawally, Associate Director of Community Wellness. We will be updating the Board, Senate and of course Corporation as this work continues. For more details, please see the announcement of the Task Force [here](#), on the Trinity website.

Last, I want to close my rather lengthy report with an important announcement. This is the second year of the Graham Awards, given in honour of our incredible Chancellor and designed to recognize members of the community who had made it a better, kinder, more welcoming place. Chancellor Graham was sorry to miss this but insisted we go ahead and announce the winners in his absence. Please see the announcement of the 2020 Graham Award recipients [on the Trinity website](#).

Finally, please read on below for more comprehensive reports from the College.

Trinity News

Trinity College Integrated Sustainability Initiative – Inaugural Leadership

In an announcement earlier this month, I reported that Professor Stephen Scharper will serve as Director of Sustainability and Professor Nicole Spiegelaar will serve as the Assistant Director. In these roles, they will develop and support this ambitious Initiative designed to integrate the principles of sustainability into the daily life at the College – from academic programs and co-curricular programming to the student experience. Stephen and Nicole will bring to their roles a multi-disciplinary approach and a focus on the student experience that will enable us to weave sustainability principles into all facets of life at the College, creating a dynamic “living lab” at Trinity. This is all possible thanks to a very generous \$10 million gift by Trinity alumnus Brian Lawson and U of T alumna Joannah Lawson.

Reopening Steering Committee – Working Group Updates

With the arrival of September, the tasks of the four working groups that make up Trinity's Reopening Steering Committee have come to fruition. My [latest message](#), "Provost Moran Welcomes You to the 2020-2021 Academic Year" contains many more details than are provided here.

Approximately 200 students moved in over the course of a week, with pre-arranged appointments. With the help of staff, dons, community advisors, upper year student volunteers and incoming residence students, our move in went very smoothly. We held a virtual Matriculation in the Provost's Lodge followed by a brief art tour and an informal Q&A. Orientation was also different this year because it was largely online, with hundreds of students joining events like the virtual Clubs Fair and Trin 101. We also hosted some small in-person events for residence students, like a physically distanced trivia night in Seeley Hall.

Among the big changes in how we serve our food, we now offer a new "to go" option using reusable EcoToGo Containers. We worked all summer to ensure safe dining while still offering the healthy, delicious, sustainable food that we are committed to. We have extended our seating out into the Quad and other outdoor spaces so that students can enjoy each other's company safely for as long as the weather permits, given the current restrictions on gathering for indoor dining.

When classes began in September, most were offered exclusively on-line. Approximately 15% of Trinity classes were offered in a hybrid or dual delivery form, with professors gathering with some students in physically distanced classrooms while other students joined online. Due to the recent government announcement that Ontario was re-entering stage two, all courses in the Faculty of Arts and Science and courses in Trinity's Faculty of Divinity have moved exclusively on-line for the Fall term.

Our buildings remain closed to everyone except those who require access. Whether we are able to increase access as the term goes on will depend on the public health conditions. In order to ensure the safety of those on campus, masks are mandatory in common-use spaces and anyone who comes to campus is asked to do a self-assessment through [UCheck](#), a new University of Toronto self-assessment tool for students, Trinity's self-assessment tool for staff or the province's assessment tool if they don't fall into either of those categories.

Development and Alumni Affairs

The Office of Development and Alumni Affairs is curating a wonderful fall program for alumni and friends of the College. The first virtual event took place on September 29 with Sylvia Lassam, Trinity's Rolph-Bell Archivist on the College's architectural history. [Please follow the link to the College's web site for more information](#) on upcoming events.

The year is also well underway for Trinity volunteers. Thank you to members of the Alumni Association Executive, the Divinity Executive, and the Development Committee for their creativity in engaging Trinity alumni and friends. Our thanks to the many donors who contributed to Urgent Bursary Support for Trinity students. We are delighted to report over \$319,000 has been raised and we hope you will consider how you might participate in helping our students during our fall fundraising campaign.

The Living Trinity Campaign Cabinet has also passed an important milestone, having raised \$21 million on a \$40 million goal. Many thanks to members of the Living Trinity Campaign Cabinet for staying the course in recent months, and for reaching out to alumni to talk about Trinity's future. Please stay connected to the College through our refreshed newsletter, *Living Trinity*, and contact us if we are not in your inbox at alumni@trinity.utoronto.ca.

Building Project

Work has continued on our new building as well as on the Living Trinity campaign. Despite a few shifts in project planning, we are on track to complete design development with our architectural and construction management firms this fall. Early site work will also continue this fall, so you may see some activity on the back field and parking lot as our consultants continue to test and prepare our site. Our project received enthusiastic reviews as

we proceeded through the U of T governance processes which culminated with unanimous approval at Governing Council at the end of June. We have also been working with the City to secure the necessary approvals which we expect over the coming months. The construction schedule will be finalized over the next few months.

Academic Program 2020-2021

We have recently appointed Professors Stephen Scharper and Nicole Spiegelhaar as Director and Associate Director respectively of the Trinity College Sustainability Initiative. This initiative will include co-curricular and extra-curricular programming as well as a series of sustainability focussed courses in our programs. This year marks the first year of sustainability focused courses in the International Relations program (TRN350H) and in the Ethics, Society and Law program (TRN312H). These courses will reinforce the Trinity commitment to sustainability.

This year is presenting an enormous challenge to faculty and students as we deal with changes in course delivery required to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic. Many courses are being taught online and some of our courses were initially taught using a dual-delivery model in which some students are being taught in the classroom at the same time as other students receiving instruction online. The dual-delivery courses have recently moved to being taught only online in response to changing provincial COVID guidelines. Our Program Directors, IT staff and Registrar's Office have done an amazing job in ensuring that all our Instructors are familiar with the technology required for these course delivery modes. As we look forward to teaching into the second semester, we expect the current COVID-19 situation to be maintained and courses will likely continue to be provided online.

The COVID-19 situation will also impact on the type of co-curricular and extracurricular programming we can provide, and many events will need to be held online. While not as satisfying as "in person" events, the opportunity to invite speakers for online events means that we are not restricted to inviting local speakers, opening up the possibility of developing national and international speaker participation.

New Courses in the 2020-2021 Academic Year

TRN350H1: Scarcity, Sustainability, and the Future of International Relations

Instructor: Mark Nieman

International Relations are changing, and changing quickly. Major challenges in global affairs, including the interrelated problems of climate change, resource scarcity, great power competition, and changes in mass politics will shape our future in uncertain and possibly dangerous ways. This course seeks to evaluate the effect of these interconnected issues on our world today, and their implications for the future. Through a series of case studies, students will be encouraged to identify future international challenges and work to develop sustainable and innovative solutions to the problems that will confront our world in the next decades and beyond.

Faculty of Divinity – Academic Program 2020-21

The Faculty of Divinity is offering five new courses this academic year: "Land, Food, and Justice," given by Sylvia Keesmatt, "Truth and Reconciliation in Canadian Anglicanism," offered by Matthew Bowman, "Sacraments and Liturgy for the Contemporary Church," offered by Lisa Wang, as well as "Models of Mission" and "Race and Theology," given by Chris Brittain. The majority of the Faculty's courses began the semester in online delivery only. A small number of courses (15%) included an "in-person" option in the classroom, but these had to be shifted to online only in mid-October due to the public health situation. The chapel curriculum for MDiv students has been moved to remote delivery on Zoom. Dr. Abraham Khan has been organizing an online Virtual Forum Series, "Doing Theology during Epochal Shifts: Fears and Hopes" hosted by the Faculty of Divinity and offered for the Toronto School of Theology as well as international participants. Three well-attended events have been held thus far, with future events planned. In general, students and teaching faculty have responded well to these challenges, and social gatherings and workshops continued to be held on Zoom.

Graham Library/Archives

Although it remains closed to the public, the Graham Library continues to provide most library services including curb side pickup, instructional sessions customized for Trinity courses, and Personal Librarian service, with each first-year student assigned a Graham librarian. A virtual Trinity Title Talk is scheduled for November 30, featuring

Professor Les Boehm who will talk about his new book on the history of public health in Canada. The resources of the Archives can be scheduled by appointment. Amongst recent donations are the papers of Chancellor William C. Graham, a group of records from 4T7 graduate and diplomat J. Blair Seaborn, research papers from the family of Prof. Pat Bruckmann, and approximately 7,500 cartoons from Brian Gable, award-winning cartoonist of the Globe & Mail, from the years 1988 through 2020.

Enrolment

Trinity has 475 new undergraduate students, and 30 new Divinity students this year. We remain the smallest undergraduate Arts and Science College with a total registration of 1840 degree students. Divinity registration is 100.

2020-2021 Student Heads

Heads of College: Ingrid Cui and Benjamin Xu
Heads of Arts: Angie Luo and Shashwat Aggarwal
Heads of NRAC: Cindy Lui
Heads of Divinity: Yohan Dumpala, Susan Smandych

Divinity Convocation: May 12, 2020

At our very first virtual Divinity Convocation, held on Tuesday, May 12, 2020, Archbishop Colin Johnson and Archbishop Mark MacDonald, who will now receive their honorary fellowship and degree, respectively, at next year's Convocation, addressed Convocation. This year, 18 Faculty of Divinity students graduated – among them, 16 received Master's degrees and two received Doctoral degrees, which are awarded conjointly with the University of Toronto.

Fall Virtual Matriculation

Our first-ever virtual Fall Matriculation and Convocation took place on September 5, 2020, broadcast live from the Provost's Lodge. I would like to extend a special thank you to our Chancellor Bill Graham and Brian and Joanna Lawson – who will now receive their honorary degrees at next year's Matriculation – for joining us online to share a few words of wisdom with our new students.

IV Announcements

Arbor Awards – Trinity College Recipients

Warmest congratulations to the Trinity recipients of the 2020 Arbor Awards: Susan Ainley, Hugh Anson-Cartwright, Nina Boric, William Keel and Lynn McIntyre.

Conversations with the Chancellor

In the first "virtual" event in this series, Trinity Chancellor, The Hon. William C. Graham will be joined by special guest the President of the International Criminal Court, Judge Chile Eboe-Osuji, for this online event. Filming of this event will take place on November 3, with an "air" date to be confirmed, before the end of November. Once the air date is confirmed we will post it again on the web and open registration.

The Larkin-Stuart Lecture

On November 12 at 7:00 pm., the first "virtual" Larkin-Stuart Lecture will feature The Most Rev. Michael Bruce Curry, Presiding Bishop and Primate of The Episcopal Church. He is the Chief Pastor and serves as President and Chief Executive Officer, and as Chair of the Executive Council of The Episcopal Church. We will be sending details a little closer to the date. Please check the Trinity College website for more details on this virtual event.

Hope and the Reality of Interdependence

On Tuesday, November 24 at 7:00 p.m., please join Dean of Divinity and Margaret E. Fleck Chair in Anglican Studies, Christopher Brittain for his presentation on Hope and the Reality of Interdependence. Details may be found on the Alumni Virtual Events webpage.

Change of Date: Our Climate Emergency and COVID-19: Crises of the Spirit - Zoom Event with Environmental Studies professor and newly appointed Director of the Trinity Sustainability Initiative, Stephen Bede Scharper and guests, originally scheduled for November 16th, will now move to early December. The new event date will be confirmed shortly and registration will open once it is confirmed.

Advent / Chapel Services

The uncertainty continues around when and in what form we may be able to resume services in the Chapel. We will make sure the Trinity community is kept well-informed as we receive updates from Public Health and the University and will then be able to determine what we may be able to offer.

Recipients of the 2020 Chancellor William C. Graham Awards

Lydia Angarso: Current Student

Lydia is a current student who is committed to creating positive change and has made significant contributions in making Trinity a more inclusive community. From being a co-founder of the Trinity College Multicultural Society to working on the Trinity College Task Force on Anti-Black Racism and Inclusion, Lydia has been instrumental in ensuring BIPOC students will face fewer barriers to their success at Trinity College. In the words of Lydia's nominator: Lydia is one of the most inspiring students I have had the privilege to cross paths with!

Rachel Berger-Viflanzoff: Current Student

Rachel is a current student who was a Community Advisor (CA) in residence last year. Rachel was integral in helping to get the program off the ground, while working to build a strong community within her area of residence. This year Rachel stepped forward to take on the role of Senior CA, to help further the goals of the program. Rachel demonstrates great care for our students and the whole Trinity community.

Jerome Chang: Administrative Staff

As the College's Associate Registrar, Jerome is a wonderfully positive colleague and an amazing resource and support for our students. Jerome approaches everything he does with humour, caring and humility. In coping with the new realities we faced as a result of COVID-19, Jerome helped our transition to the online world, and did so while keeping the importance of human connection at the forefront. Jerome's positive attitude in the face of such a difficult time proved to be a rallying point for our staff and our students.

Sophia DiNicolo: Current Student

Sophia is a current student who has played an important role in improving the experience for our commuting students. Last year, as one of the Heads of Non-Resident Affairs, Sophia created many new events to increase commuter student participation in college life and student governance. Even though Sophia's headship is over, she is still very much involved with the non-resident community. Sophia's compassion and strong advocacy has improved the student experience at Trinity.

John Duncan: Faculty

As Director of the Ethics, Society & Law Program, John actively seeks to build a more inclusive and conscientious community at Trinity, by supporting or introducing innovative academic and community-based partnerships, social justice-oriented community outreach initiatives, including Humanities for Humanity (H4H), and recreational activities (like the weekly soccer games for students, faculty and staff). All of these examples demonstrate John's collegial, community-building nature and his desire to foster a positive environment.

Nancy Graham: Alumni

Nancy has just completed her term as President of The Friends of the Library, topping off many years of dedicated volunteer service. Nancy has served as Chair of the Executive Committee of Convocation and has also served as Year Representative for the Class of 1958. Nancy's ability to motivate others helped lead to support for the Green Roof Environmental Project, a class reunion gift to the College. This award

recognizes Nancy's outstanding volunteerism and the positive impact she has had on the Trinity community.

Andrea Ho: Alumni

Andrea is a recent alumna who held a variety of leadership positions that have had a positive impact on students and the wider Trinity community, most notably as Co-President of Trinity Women in Leadership (TWIL). Andrea worked hard to put together a wide range of engaging programs aimed at empowering and connecting women at Trinity through mentorship and community building. As an active participant in many extracurricular activities, Andrea demonstrated a commitment to leadership and engagement at Trinity.

Geoffrey Ready: Teaching Staff

Geoffrey teaches in Eastern Orthodox studies in the Faculty of Divinity and also oversees the Orthodox program. Geoffrey has recruited a steady stream of students that Trinity wouldn't normally attract, and inspires these individuals to pursue further studies. Geoffrey is known across the Toronto School of Theology as a positive and energetic presence, and serves Trinity in a wide-range of tasks with considerable enthusiasm and a positive spirit. He is a gifted teacher, a committed "citizen" of the college, and a positive ambassador for Trinity in the Toronto School of Theology.

Ludvig Satel: Service Staff

As a member of our Facilities team, Ludvig demonstrates a great level of caring for all members of the Trinity community. Ludvig is well known for always going above and beyond to ensure his work is done with both precision and care. He is a wonderful and vibrant colleague who is also well known for being able to engage in conversation on any topic. Ludvig is widely respected for the way he treats everyone with such kindness. As the nominator said: "Ludvig is a true gem and deserves to be honoured with this award."

Ramata Tarawally: Administrative Staff

Ramata is exceptional in the support and programming she provides to students as our Associate Director, Community Wellness. Ramata has shown incredible leadership during the pandemic, making an impact not only at the College and on our students, but within the greater U of T community as well. Ramata has also made phenomenal contributions to College governance as a member of the Board of Trustees. The College is a significantly better place because Ramata works so hard to ensure it is a safe, welcoming and inclusive community for students, faculty, staff and alumni.

Foti Vito: Current Student

Foti is a current student who was Co-Head of Non-Resident Affairs last year. Foti helped create many events that allowed for non-resident students to be more active in the College and was a strong advocate for better accessibility to community events and student governance. The nominator noted the following: "Foti's enthusiasm has given many commuting students the courage to advocate for themselves, get involved and run for positions in student governance."

Peter Wismath: Alumni

Peter has been an exemplary alumni volunteer for many years, serving on the Alumni Association Executive, Corporation, and currently the Senate. While serving as Chair of the Alumni Association, Peter worked on initiatives to expand and encourage the participation of young alumni in the College

community. He is currently a member of the Community Affairs Committee, providing thoughtful and valuable insights into the work of the Committee. Peter is a passionate advocate and ambassador for Trinity and this award recognizes his ongoing commitment to the College and our students.

Sydney Yeung: Administrative Staff

As the Faculty Administrator in the Faculty of Divinity, Sydney is the centre of student care and support to the Faculty's 120 students. She excels at effectively supporting the various needs of our students and faculty members. Her caring, calm and supportive approach is valued and appreciated by our students, many of whom drop by the Divinity office simply to have a brief chat with her. Sydney brings an encouraging and supportive manner to the ethos of the Faculty of Divinity, and her influence has a huge impact on the overall tone and character of the Faculty.

Report of the Trinity College Board of Trustees
to the Annual Meeting of Corporation
Thursday, October 22, 2020

Bishop Bedford-Jones, Madame Provost and Members of Corporation,

I am pleased to present a report highlighting the activities of the Board since the last report to Corporation.

The College is fortunate to have so many talented individuals who volunteer their time and expertise in many different capacities, including membership on the Board of Trustees. On behalf of the Board, I would like to express appreciation to the following members who retired from the Board this past year and to welcome our newest members.

Retiring from the Board:

Nina Boric, Shauna Cairns Gundy, Sophia DiNicolo, Nicholas Ferreira, Alexandra McIntosh, Christine Sutcliffe, Rod Taylor, Jim Andersen, and Elliot Johnson

Joining the Board:

Shashwat Aggarwal, Mostafa Asadi, Yohan Dumpala, Cindy Lui, Angie Luo, Maureen Simpson, and Brenda Webster Tweel,

On behalf of the Board, I would also like to extend our thanks and appreciation to the officers and employees of the College who worked non-stop over the summer to prepare for the re-opening of the College in a safe manner and continue to work hard to ensure that the College is a safe environment for students and staff.

Since the Board's last report to Corporation in April, the Board has held five meetings.

The COVID-19 pandemic and the ongoing conversation about anti-Black racism and inclusion occupied a great deal of the Board's time since Corporation last met. The Board has received regular updates from the College administration and the student leaders to provide perspective and insight as to the day-to-day operations and life at the College, and welcomed Prof. Vivek Goel, who is leading the University's pandemic response, to speak to us about COVID-19. We continue to monitor the situation and have full confidence in the administration's leadership.

Anti-Black racism and discrimination of any type is unacceptable anywhere in our society and particularly so at an institution of higher learning such as the College. The Board has made its position on this front clear by approving a motion condemning anti-Black racism and discrimination in any form and reaffirming the importance of its policy on Episkopon in that context. The Board has also been consulted about the formation of the Task Force and looks forward to receiving the report from the Task Force on Anti-Black Racism and Inclusion at the end of the year.

The Board continues to hear about the planning and development of the Lawson Centre for Sustainability. Despite the slowdown caused by the pandemic, work on the new building continues, and the Board continues to approve pre-construction expenditures as necessary.

The Office of Development & Alumni Affairs is providing the Board with regular updates on the *Living Trinity* campaign, which I am pleased to report has already reached 50% of its fundraising goal for the year (which as you will recall runs from April to April).

The Board also received updates and progress reports from its standing committees, including the Development Committee, Committee on Investments, and the Pension Committee.

After thorough examination by the Finance and Audit Committee, the Board approved the College's 2020-2021 Operating and Capital budgets. The Finance and Audit Committee has also met with the auditors and reviewed the financial statements for the year ended April 30, 2020. No concerns were raised by the auditors or the Committee, and the Board approved the financial statements. Copies of the statements were made available to the Corporation before the meeting and can be found on the College's website.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew McFarlane
Chair, Board of Trustees