



The Annual Meeting of Corporation will be held
via Zoom on Thursday,
October 24, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

1. Opening
2. Minutes
3. Resolutions
4. Motion to Excuse Absent Members
5. Report of the Provost
6. Chancellor Graham Awards
7. Report of the Board of Trustees & Audited Financial Statements
8. Appointment of Auditors
9. Report of the Committee on Nominations
10. Report of the Committee on Honorary Degrees and Honorary Fellows
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12. Other Business

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Minutes

Chancellor Lawson took the Chair at 12pm and called the Spring Meeting of the Corporation to order. The Humphrys Chaplain, the Rev'd Canon Andrea Budgey, read an acknowledgement of the traditional Indigenous land on which Trinity College operates, and Secretary, Assistant Provost, Jonathan Steels explained the Zoom meeting procedures.

1. Opening Prayer

Rev'd Canon Alyson Barnett-Cowan offered a prayer to open the proceedings.

2. Resolutions

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

HON. JOHN GODFREY

Hon. John Fergusson Godfrey, P.C., C.M., D.Phil passed way on December 18, 2023.

Born on December 19, 1942 to the late Mary Ferguson Godfrey and Senator Jack Godfrey. Jack, who served as an RCAF Wing Commander and was deployed eight and a half months before John was born, did not meet young 'Johnny' until he returned from the war. Legend has it Johnny was prompted by family patriarch, Len Youell, to greet his father with his first political opinion: 'Down with Mackenzie King!' And so it began.

John was a passionate Canadian. He loved people and he loved ideas. He was kind, fun, and he was very funny. He was an educator, writer, historian, and mentor to many. He was a gentleman adventurer; once walking across Iceland; sailing across the Atlantic (he mutinied) and was arrested on a road trip in Russia with his friend Tom Barcsay. He paddled 17 remote fly-in rivers with his beloved Arctic and Rideau Canal Canoe Club. He had an extensive collection of world flags from his travels, which he'd hoist daily. Neighbours looked forward to guessing which country or organization would be celebrated that day.

John had a wonderful and eclectic career and felt blessed with opportunities. He grew up in Rosedale, Toronto, when it wasn't fashionable. John spent summers with his family in Muskoka, and attended Rosedale Public School and Upper Canada College until he met a number of very elegant Europeans his parents adopted into their circle in the 1950s and learned of another new school, Neuchâtel Junior College in Switzerland. He convinced his parents to send him there for Grade 13. He learned French and maintained a lifelong commitment to bilingualism. At Trinity College, University of Toronto, he was the debating partner of Margaret MacMillan, who became a lifelong friend. He completed his M.Phil at Balliol College, Oxford, and his D.Phil at St. Antony's College, Oxford, in 1975.

John taught Modern French and European History at Dalhousie University 1970 – 87. At age 34, John became President and Vice Chancellor, University of King's College, Halifax, 1977 – 87, the youngest university president in Canada. He Founded the Journalism School at King's and expanded and promoted the Foundation Year Program. In 1987 John became the Editor and a regular columnist of The Financial Post, a newspaper he led through its conversion from a weekly to a daily. He wrote more than 400 articles for the Post and co-authored with Rob McLean, The Canada We Want – Competing Visions for the New Millennium, in 1999. In 1992, he became Vice-President of the Canadian Institute for Advanced Research, under founding President, and his mentor, Dr. Fraser Mustard.

In 1993, John turned to federal politics, winning the Toronto-area riding of Don Valley West as a Liberal and door-knocked and greeted voters in over 20 languages. He was re-elected in 1997, 2000, 2004, and 2006. He held numerous positions including Committee Chair, Chair of Commons Committees, and was Parliamentary Secretary under Prime Ministers Chrétien and Martin. In 2004, Prime Minister Paul Martin appointed him Minister of State (Infrastructure and Communities) with responsibility for The New Deal for Cities. John was Official Opposition Critic for the Environment under interim Liberal leader William Graham, and then Chair, Caucus Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development. John's great political partner and friend was Andrew Bevan and they thrived in leading many bright political staffers throughout his career. After winning two elections, Trish, John and Ian moved to Ottawa in 1999 and were blessed to have incredible experiences in politics and make many friends. T

John left politics in 2008 and became Head of the Toronto French School for six years. At TFS he expanded the International Baccalaureate program and rebranded it as Canada's International School. At the end of that time Premier Kathleen Wynne recruited John to be Special Advisor on Climate Change and had several large initiatives and programs

planned in the area of climate mapping and adaptation, until the successive incumbent to the Premier's office determined climate change was not much of a concern.

John served on the board of directors of numerous arts, social justice research and education and national unity organizations in Halifax and Toronto. John was invited to be a Senior Fellow at Massey College when he moved back from Ottawa and he thoroughly enjoyed making new friends and being an official and unofficial mentor to many students.

John was a Queen's Jubilee Medalist and Silver Jubilee Medalist; Doctor of Sacred Letters (honoris causa) from Trinity College; and Doctor of Civil Laws (honoris causa), from the University of Kings College, and received Vanier Award for Outstanding Young Canadian (1981). He was made a Member of the Order of Canada in 2019.

John is survived and was deeply loved by Trish Bongard Godfrey, his wife and best friend for more than 32 years; his adored and adoring son Ian and Ian's wonderful fiancé, Kate Rogers; sisters Anne Godfrey, Sally Forrest (Nick Forrest), sister-in-law Susan Harrington; Trish's mom, Nancy Turville Bongard and his brother-in-law, Rob Bongard. He loved, amused and inspired his nephews and nieces, David Forrest (Sarah Matthews); Tessa Forrest (Ryan Lamourie), Harry Godfrey (Shannon Egli), Robert Godfrey; Kathleen Godfrey (Ezra Lipton). He is mourned by an extended clan including Ferguson, Faguy, Sankey, Cunietti, and Godfrey cousins and the Bongard, Simpson, Turville, Greenwood and McIntyre families who have been so loving and supportive. John was pre-deceased by his parents and his brother, Stephen Burwell Godfrey, and by Trish's father, Ian Andrew Bongard.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Corporation expresses its gratitude for the life and service of Hon. John Godfrey to the College and that this Resolution be inscribed on the Minutes and copies sent with the sympathy of the Corporation to his family.

PROFESSOR ANDREW WATSON

Professor Emeritus Andrew Murray Watson passed way on April 4, 2024.

A professor of Economic History, Watson was affiliated with the Department of Economics and Trinity College, where he was Emeritus Fellow, throughout his career with the University of Toronto. While Watson retired in 1995, he taught until at least 2005 and

completed his last academic assignment, a chapter for The New Cambridge History of Islam titled “Rural life and economy until 1800” at the age of 80.

After that, “he decided it was time to say goodbye to academia and joyously devote himself solely to travel, adventure, and the enjoyment of the good company of his friends spread round the world. Which he did and did well”.

Watson has left a lasting legacy to the field of Economic History. In 1974, he published the paper, “The Arab Agricultural Revolution and Its Diffusion, 700-1100” in the Journal of Economic History. The paper became the basis of the 1983 book Agricultural Innovation in the Early Islamic World: The Diffusion of Crops and Farming Techniques, 700–1100. The volume and paper are still widely cited, and Watson is recognized at the first to make arguments about the role of the spread of Islam, coupled with agricultural innovations, in the economic transformation of the medieval world.

Born in 1930 to Amy (nee Reid) and Daniel Watson, Professor Watson was, like his mother, a graduate of Trinity College. He completed his B. Comm in 1952 and his MA in 1953 before going to Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar. Later, he attended the University of Paris and studied Arabic at the University of Cairo. He received his appointment to the University of Toronto in 1957.

Predeceased by his parents, his brother Hugh and sister Barbara, Professor Watson is survived by his nieces Janet Bell of Ottawa and Gail Lampinen of Sacramento, their families, and by countless friends.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Corporation expresses its gratitude for the life and service of Professor Andrew Watson to the College and that this Resolution be inscribed on the Minutes and copies sent with the sympathy of the Corporation to his family.

3. Minutes

The Secretary then read a summary of the minutes of the Fall Meeting of Corporation, held in October 2023.

The Secretary moved, seconded by Kaelem Moniz, **THAT** the minutes of the Annual Meeting held in October 2023 be approved.

The motion was **carried**.

4. Motion to Excuse Absent Members

Kaelem Moniz, TCM Chair, moved, seconded by Karim Guirguis, Co-Head of Divinity, **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 thanked Chancellor Lawson for chairing Corporation and delivered her report on the status of Trinity College.

6. Report of the Board of Trustees

Sharon Geraghty, Chair of the Board of Trustees, delivered the report on the activities of the Board of Trustees.

7. Report of the Senate

Alex Smith, Chair of the Senate, delivered the report on the activities of Senate.

8. Report of the Executive Committee of the Alumni Association

Shannon Garden-Smith, Chair of the Executive Committee of the Alumni Association, delivered a report on the activities of the Alumni Association.

9. Report of the Committee on Honorary Degrees and Honorary Fellows

Members of Corporation received the Report of the Committee on Honorary Degrees and Honorary Fellows.

The motion that the Corporation endorse the Report of the Committee and **that** grace be offered to Convocation for the conferring of the following degrees at the Divinity Convocation was moved by Provost Moran and seconded by Nelson De Melo.

The motion was **carried**.

10. Report of the Committee on Nominations

Members of Corporation received the Report of the Committee on Nominations which recommends renewal of terms and appointments to Corporation.

The motion that the Corporation endorse the Report of the Committee on Nominations was moved by Provost Moran and seconded by Nelson De Melo.

A member noted that according to sub-section 6.6 of the Trinity College Statutes, nominations to Senate should be recommended, not appointed.

The motion was **carried**.

11. Notices of Motion

No notices of motion were given.

12. Other Business

Rev'd Canon Dr. Darcey Lazerte pronounced the benediction.

Chancellor Lawson adjourned the meeting.

Minutes

Chancellor Lawson took the Chair at 12 p.m. and called the Special Meeting of the Corporation to order. Secretary and Assistant Provost Jonathan Steels explained the Zoom meeting procedures and read an acknowledgement of the traditional Indigenous land on which Trinity College operates.

1. Opening Prayer

Rev'd Canon Alyson Barnett-Cowan offered a prayer to open the proceedings.

2. Motion to Excuse Absent Members

Kaelem Moniz, TCM Chair, moved, seconded by Karim Guirguis, Co-Head of Divinity, **that** the members who advised the Secretary of their inability to attend be excused.

The motion was **carried**.

3. Report of the Provost Nominating Committee

Members of Corporation received the Report of the Provost Nominating Committee, which recommended the appointment of Professor Nicholas Terpstra as the sixteenth Provost and Vice-Chancellor to Trinity College.

Sharon Geraghty, Chair of the Board of Trustees, moved **that** Corporation endorse the report, which was seconded by Mostafa Asadi.

The motion was **carried**.

Professor Nicholas Terpstra was welcomed to Trinity College and thanked the Corporation for their support.

Rev'd Canon Dr. Darcey Lazerte pronounced the benediction.

Chancellor Lawson adjourned the meeting.

THE REVEREND CANON DR. CHARLES GRAHAM COTTER

Dr. Charles Graham Cotter passed away on January 31, 2024.

Anglican priest, theologian, social activist, thinker, creator of labyrinths, writer, poet, punster, fixit-man, beloved father and grandfather, friend.

Born in Jamaica to parents Norma Wright Cotter and Charles Sylvester Cotter, Graham attended St. Andrew's College, Ontario, then Trinity College at the University of Toronto, where he obtained his PhD in English Language and Literature. He maintained a lifelong connection to Trinity College and served on the university's first Governing Council. Ordained as an Anglican priest in 1958, he was the Executive Secretary of the Diocesan Council for Social Services until he became the parish priest at St. Mark's, Parkdale, Toronto, in 1965. He stayed at St. Mark's till 1983, when he left to become an associate priest at St. Cuthbert's, Toronto. Since 1990 he has been the honorary assistant at St. Mark's, Port Hope. Dedicated to exploring alternate forms of liturgy using drama and dance, he wrote, directed and produced several liturgical plays in his various churches. He created meditative labyrinths at his home and at St. Mark's, Port Hope. Along with his wife Evelyn, he co-founded the Sacred Arts Trust of the Anglican Foundation of Canada, which provides grants to actors, dancers, artists, and musicians in liturgical drama, dance, and visual arts. In 2014 he was awarded the Companion of the Worship Arts, an honour bestowed by the Anglican and Lutheran churches in Canada in recognition of significant contribution to worship through the arts.

A prolific writer and thinker, he is the author of memoirs, children's books, poems, plays, articles, a weekly blog and a book on the intersection between science and theology, *The Quantum Christ*, which will be published posthumously. Graham made friends wherever he went and was known for his deep devotion to God, his passionate concern for his fellow humans, his generosity of spirit, and his sense of drama and fun.

Graham married his beloved Margaret Evelyn Cotter (died 2013) in 1950. Father of Sean (Nancy Warner), Charis (Robin Cleland), Cate (Charles McQueen), Simon (Trudy Ruf). Grandfather of Colin Warner, John Hamlin, Charles Hamlin, Zoe Cleland, Emilia Cotter, Alexander Cotter, and Michael Cotter. Foster father to the late Ernie Lindsay (Heather Kemp), Sally Raymond (Allan Raymond), the late Marjory Noganosh, and Marie Smith. Foster grandfather to Christopher Raymond, Michael Raymond, Peter Lindsay, Joey Lindsay, and Patty Lindsay. Honorary grandfather to Lana, Primrose and Kyle Gallant. Graham married his dear Margaret Lilian Baily (died 2018) in 2016. Stepfather of Monica, Michelle, Andrea and Eric.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Corporation expresses its gratitude for the life and service of Dr. Charles Graham Cotter to the College and that this Resolution be inscribed on the Minutes and copies sent with the sympathy of the Corporation to his family.

PROFESSOR ALAN EARP

Alan J. Earp passed away on July 7, 2024.

In 1944, he was in his second year at Trinity when he went to fight overseas. Returning as a wounded veteran, he completed his degree, then went to graduate school and taught abroad. In 1955, he returned to Trinity as Professor of Classics and also served several administrative roles – Dean of Residence, Registrar and Dean of Men until 1965.

In 1987, then President & Vice-Chancellor of Brock University in St. Catharines, Professor Earp was appointed an Officer of the Order of Canada for his great influence in the field of higher education. In 2003, he received an Honorary Doctor of Sacred Letters for his dedication and service to Trinity College.

The Rev. Canon David Neelands previously shared this remark about Professor Earp: “He was really committed to making Trinity an international place, with good relations on a student level with those who came from the Caribbean and Africa.” Trinity alumnus Weston Miller interviewed Professor Earp when he was 94, retired after a distinguished career at Carleton University, the University of Guyana, and finally as Provost and later President of Brock University. Writing in the *Salterae* (September 2016), Miller notes that Professor Earp partnered with the governments of the Gold Coast in Africa to have two students study at Trinity, the first ever African students accepted here. Inspired by the activism taking place in the United States at the time, Professor Earp championed the cause of Black students from Africa and the Caribbean, picketing on University Avenue, and pleading with the government of Prime Minister Diefenbaker to reverse the ban on summer jobs for overseas students. Professor Earp told Weston Miller that he was most proud of two things during his time at Trinity: his willingness to listen to students’ calls for change, and his attempts at enhancing inclusivity.

Sixty years on, Trinity is grateful for Professor Earp’s trailblazing leadership and contributions at Trinity and beyond. On behalf of the College, we extend our deepest condolences to his family, colleagues and friends.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Corporation expresses its gratitude for the life and service of Professor Alan J. Earp to the College and that this Resolution be inscribed on the Minutes and copies sent with the sympathy of the Corporation to his family.

MARY GOODWIN

Mary Goodwin passed away on September 16, 2024.

A beloved wife, mother and grandmother, Mary was known for her unwavering love and dedication to her family. She is survived by her husband of 65 years, John Goodwin; their children, Jennifer (Ian), Tim (Sally), and Geoffrey (Katie); and grandchildren, Emily, Stephanie, Sarah, Zachary, Connor, Graham and Henry.

She will be remembered fondly, and her memory will live on in the hearts of those who knew and loved her. Mary was passionate about hosting gatherings at her farm, caring for her gardens and many pets, teaching in inner-city schools and volunteering for various organizations in the community. Mary was inspired by art history and so loved planning trips, especially overseas, where she could spend time with Geoffrey and his family in London.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Corporation expresses its gratitude for the life and service of Mary Goodwin to the College and that this Resolution be inscribed on the Minutes and copies sent with the sympathy of the Corporation to her family.

Report

The Committee on Nominations met and considered recommendations of individuals to serve in a variety of volunteer roles across the College. The Committee requests that the Corporation endorse this report and thereby elect or re-elect the recommended individuals to their indicated positions.

Corporation

The Committee recommended to the Corporation the election of the following as Officers of the Corporation for the period of July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025:

- Public Orator: Prof. Nicholas Everett
- Esquire Bedells: Prof. Michael Kessler and Prof. Nicole Spiegelaar

The Committee on Nominations further recommends the following individuals for the following positions in accordance with the processes set out under the Statutes.

Board of Trustees

The Committee recommends **that** Prof. John Meehan, Prof. Marsha Hewitt, and Yohan Dumpala be appointed to the Board of Trustees for the period of July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2027.

Board Committees

The Committee recommends **that** Caroline Jageman, Mostafa Asadi, and Maria Vanta be appointed to the Development Committee for the period of July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2026.

The Committee recommends **that** Benjamin Harris, Ryan Marten, Alyson Barnett-Cowan, and Jill Carmichael Adolphe be appointed to the Alumni Association Executive Committee for the period of July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2026.

The Committee recommends **that** David Plant, Shakura Kabir, and Candance Ciju be appointed to the Alumni Association Executive Committee for the period of July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.



**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HONORARY DEGREES & HONORARY FELLOWS
TO THE SPRING MEETING OF CORPORATION**

October 24, 2024

On behalf of the Committee on Honorary Degrees and Honorary Fellows, I recommend THAT a grace be offered to Convocation for the conferring of the following degree at the Divinity Convocation to be held in May 2025:

DOCTOR OF DIVINITY (*honoris causa*) upon **John Randall Franklin** in recognition of his extraordinary service in promoting the deep interconnection between spirituality and the arts, his dedication to integrating artistic expressions into theological discourse, and his tireless support for others in the field, underscoring his belief that art is essential to our spiritual and emotional well-being.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "N. Terpstra". The signature is stylized and includes a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Nicholas Terpstra, Provost and Vice-Chancellor
Chair, Committee on Honorary Degrees and Honorary Fellows