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AD HOC CROSS-CULTURAL CTEE MEETING, RM 205 AUC MAR. 29 1985 10AM

Present:

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Bill Church, Director of Indian Education, SSM Michigan
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Regrets:

Carolyn Harrington, Indian Friendship Centre

The meeting was informal and examined a wide-range of issues dealing with cross-cultural and native education. The many issues discussed included: admission qualifications and tests; native content; identification of immediate needs; specific native courses (philosophy, tradition, hinterland); oral courses; university preparation courses; on-reserve delivery; cross-cultural development course; international studies; need for native professionals; outreach and extension programmes; need for a university native consultant; how to plug natives back into their communities upon training; working through the Aboriginal Education Council and the Tribal Council, the Bands, OMNSIA and the IFC. Michigan representatives stressed the need to include Upper Penninsula and States' side people since little was being done on the US side and the Sault was their natural focal point too. Many Bands on the south shore and south of the Sault would be very interested.

It was agreed that for any new development to succeed a media approach with a well-worked out mission statement that could capture the imagination as well as provide valuable and concrete motivations would be paramount. The region has an excellent environmental support system. It is an Indian place and thus is ideally cross-cultural and could therefore be very comfortable for both native and non-native students, men and women alike.

It was agreed, therefore, that to get things moving an event

was necessary on the theme of cross-cultural education. A cross-cultural EDUCATION workshop seemed appropriate. It was agreed that the following members would form the Workshop Steering Committee to commence plans for the event: Carol, Sally, Bill, Debbie, Norma and Don. The workshop should be held before people are lost to the summer break.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 pm.

[After discussions with the University administration it seemed appropriate to delay the Workshop until the College is able to examine the possibility of forming an official Native Advisory Council to assist the College in the direction of cross-cultural and Native development. The Workshop then could be suggested to the Council as a possible initial project and the College could be fully and officially involved. As of Sept. 1985 the ad hoc Committee members have not been informed of plans underway but they should be as soon as the College has moved on the matter. A letter or communication to indicate that planning is underway in spite of the delay is important, especially to Steering Committee members, since a follow through is expected. Hopefully this will happen soon, and a Workshop or whatever is decided will follow.]

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Mr. Michael Restoule 943 Tackaberry Drive Sault Ste. Marie Ontario

Dear Michael,

Over the past few months members of the University and local community have been meeting on an informal basis to consider ways whereby the University could develop its potential as a cross-cultural educational institution. At the same time, within the University proposals are being considered for long-term programming which include cross-cultural educational development as a major component. Recognizing the importance of considering all possibilities, we are looking now to stimulate discussion, and to make contact with all those whose interests or experience would benefit the project.

Accordingly, we have thought it appropriate that an initial informal meeting take place, and thus it would be much appreciated if you would attend if it is possible. We will meet this Friday, March 1, at 10:00 am in the Shingwauk auditorium, Algoma University College. Dr. Patrick Wesley, the College's new President, will be there both to meet new friends and to participate on behalf of the School.

I am sorry that this invitation has come to you so late. An important family matter prevented my getting it out sooner. Nonetheless I am hopeful that you will be able to make it.

Thanking you for your kind attention in this important matter and looking forward to meeting with you, I am happy to be,

Yours sincerely,

Donald Jackson

Assistant Professor and Shingwauk Project Director



May 22nd, 1985

Mr. Thomas Kakapshe Chairman, Honour The Youth Celebration Committee Rankin Reserve 236 Frontenac Street R.R. #4 Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario P6A 5K9

Dear Mr. Kakapshe:

Thank you for your letter of April 26th about the Honour The Youth Celebration.

I am very pleased to be able to tell you that Algoma University College is agreeable to being a co-sponsor of this event. In recognition of our support for "Honour The Youth Celebration", a donation of \$250.00 will be made towards your expenses.

Professor Don Jackson of the department of Political Science at the College will be contacting you to discuss with you other possible ways in which the university can provide support. May I congratulate you on your initiative in organizing such an important and worthwhile celebration. I would like to wish you and the organizers every success in your efforts.

Yours sincerely,

Patrick G. Wesley

President

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cc: Professor Don Jackson

Director of Administration

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12 June/85

Dear Don Jackson; I'm from the Dept. of Native Studies at Laurentian I'm pleased to see the progress You're making on the Shingwant project. Any information or reports you could send on what's being done, or what is to be done, I'd appreciate, I took some xerox's from your reprint of The Canadian Indian. Do you see any rationale for carrying on some of the kinds of initiatives which Wilson's Sincerely.

Work represents.

Tony Hall.



Department of Political Science May 10, 1985

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Dear Tom,

It was a great pleasure to receive your letter of April 26 regarding the "Honour the Youth" Pow Wow to be held at Rankin. It is an excellent idea and from the short visit I had two weeks ago at the old Band Office where some posters were being made it looks as if all is progressing well. I hope what I say below will be an encouragement to yourself and your fellow Committee members.

I took the liberty of giving a copy of your letter to our new President, Dr. Patrick Wesley, who has promised that the University would assist in any way possible. I trust that by now you have heard from him. He had hoped that I would be available to assist on the University's behalf but unfortunately I'm in Toronto until June 6. Until then if you have any requests please contact Dr. Celia Ross of the French Department who will be happy to help. I'll be putting a couple of posters up at the Native Centre on Spadina Rd. this week. If there is anything else I can do down here just let me know.

Last week I read your letter to faculty members and many of them gave donations to assist the Committee. The enclosed cheque for \$200.00 represents the results of a first request. Additional donations may be forwarded later.

The Pow Wow promises to be a wonderful celebration to which the University community is looking forward. I hope the preparations are going well. Please say hello to Joy and Stu Agawa, Allan and Holly Ann Syrette, and good luck!

Best Wishes,

Donald Jackson Assistant Professor

UPDATE--SPECIAL EDITION



COLLEGE ACQUIRES ADJACENT PROPERTY

Four weeks ago the Anglican Dioceses approached the College, indicating that it had an unexpected offer from a local developer to purchase the 3 1/2 acres to the east of the College Grounds, including the house immediately behind the Library (see diagram). The College has had a right of first refusal on this property, for it was part of the original College grounds in the early 70s. Several meetings of the Board Property and Finance Committee were held, culminating in a report to the Board of Trustees meeting of the 11th of October.

The Board of Trustees passed three resolutions. First, that through purchase or a negotiated joint use proposal with the developer, the College should control that site. Second, that the College's negotiators be authorized to use a portion of the Sanders Fund for a downpayment on the site if purchase was deemed appropriate. Third, that the current facilities consultant, Mr. David Scott, be asked to do a full survey of the property owned by the College, with a particular mandate to identify any surplus land.

Meetings were held between the developer and the College's representatives during this period. The developer wished to acquire the property to erect four buildings for retirement/convalescent home use. The College's representatives asked for a no-build strip which would give a visual screen of trees between the College and the retirement home, asked for restrictions on building heights, and a variety of other assurances which would result in a development sympathetic to the College and its site.

It was clear to the Board and the Property and Finance Committee that the College should, at some time in the future, acquire this property. It was part of the original site, and the proposed expansion of College facilities is contingent on having the property under the College's control.

As of October 16, the College's offer for the site, which matches the developer's offer, has been accepted by the Diocese, subject to certain conditions. The Diocese is using the house on the property at the moment, and as part of the sale agreement will continue to use the house as a residence for at least the next 7 months. Mr. Scott, the facilities consultant, will be advising in his report to the College in February on the uses of the house and its grounds, and indeed the whole site.

As part of the agreement to purchase the property, the College and the Diocese have concluded an agreement on care of and access to the graveyard, and care of the chapel grounds. Certain small pieces of property also will be deeded to the College such that all lands on the Queen Street site, except for the chapel and graveyard, will be in the possession of the College.

The College has made a downpayment from the Sanders Fund for this acquisition. A three-year mortgage for the balance has been arranged. Payment on the mortgage will be deferred for 3 years so there will be no effect on the College's operating budget during that time.

This situation arose very quickly. The College is in the middle of plans for development for the next five years, with particular reference to site and facili-A move had to be made sooner than was anticipated to acquire this property. It was the unanimous view of the Board and its advisors that the College had to exercise its right to purchase the property. College is now in a situation where it can control the whole site on Queen Street. Land use and needs for the next 5 to 10 years can be studied. With a facilities plan in hand that which is surplus can be identified and sympathetic joint uses for the whole site can be considered. In the end, the outcome will prove advantageous to the College, and it is particularly useful to be able to make the acquisition without affecting operating budgets of the College at a critical time.

