

**ROYAL ROADS UNIVERSITY
ACADEMIC COUNCIL
MINUTES
August 21, 1997**

Present: COUNCIL MEMBERS

Jim Bayer
Jennifer Buchner
Steve Grundy
Gerry Nixon

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS

Ramona Lumpkin, Interim Chair
Gerry Kelly
Peter Turner
Rhonda Pettyjohn, Recording

Absent:

Anton Boegman
Tony Boydell
Chris Boissevain
Doug Bright
Robert Gale
Laura Grieg
Jim McTaggart-Cowan
Betsy Symons

David Krauel
Don MacMillan

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Ramona Lumpkin at 5:30

2. Approval of Agenda

On a motion duly made and seconded the Agenda was approved as circulated.

3. Approval of May 1, 1997 Minutes

On motion by Jim Bayer and seconded by Steve Grundy, the minutes were approved as circulated prior to the meeting

4. Discussion of Criteria for Academic Council Program Review

The Chair, Dr. Lumpkin, passed around a list of criteria for new program review drawn from the Royal Roads University Education Plan. The list consisted of: outcomes based; international; interdisciplinary; learner-centred; focused on applied skills, management skills, and generic skills; focused on a concept of learning communities; informed by principles of sustainable development; focused on workforce needs. Discussion followed on additions to this list. The Chair will expand the list and circulate it to council members before the next meeting. Dialogue on the new list will continue at the next meeting.

5. Review of Proposal for an MA in Conflict Analysis and Management

Jim Bayer spoke of the very impressive Advisory Board, listing the members and their background as related to this program. He gave an overview of the process and issues dealt with in putting the proposal together, highlighting the issues of sustainability and

globalization. A holistic approach to conflict resolution was used with heavy emphasis on applied skills. The format established for the MALT program was adopted. No other program of this nature exists in Canada. All studies indicate that there is a substantial demand for this type of program and enrollments should not be a problem. The Advisory Board must review the program once a year after it becomes operational in order to make sure it stays viable. Discussion followed on the list of outcomes in the proposal and the issues of environmental sustainability as incorporated by the program.

The Chair informed the Council that comments on the proposed program were received from Doug Bright, absent from this meeting, and that his full support was given to the proposal. A copy of Doug's comments was passed to the Program Director, Jim Bayer.

Motion: Moved by Steve Grundy and seconded by Gerry Nixon

That Academic Council approve the MA in Conflict Analysis and Management as meeting the criteria of the Royal Roads University Education Plan.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Update on Progress Toward Meeting Recommendations of External Review Team, MA/MSc in Environment and Management

Steve Grundy listed each of the recommendations made by the External Review Team and spoke on the actions taken on each item. Progress is being made on all of the recommendations and in some cases has been completed.

7. Program Integration

The Chair brought the Council up to date on the meetings with undergraduate student focus groups. The students would like to see a greater integration between the undergraduate programs, which the faculty are also in favour of. This issue will be raised at the next Academic Council meeting as a focus of Academic Council with discussion on how to accomplish and measure this.

Action: Program Directors to prepare some specific activities and goals for the next Academic Council meeting.

8. Other Business

No other business

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.