

**Royal Roads University
ACADEMIC COUNCIL
December 15, 1999**

MINUTES

PRESENT	COUNCIL MEMBERS	EX OFFICIO MEMBERS
	Jim Bayer	Ramona Lumpkin, Chair
	Doug Bright	Gerry Kelly
	Jim McTaggart-Cowan	Ann Nightingale
	Dylan Perrault	
	Saila Hull	Bette Kosmolak, Recording
	Barbara Carter	
	Eric West	
	Ken Stratford	
ABSENT	Stephen Long	Tom Austin
	Steve Grundy	David Krauel
	Gerry Nixon	
	Ken Crewe	
	Sarah Kirby	

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Motion: It was moved by Jim Bayer, seconded by Eric West

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED AS AMENDED.

MOTION CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion: It was moved by Jim Bayer, seconded by Doug Bright

THAT THE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 17, 1999, BE APPROVED AS DISTRIBUTED.

MOTION CARRIED

Gerry Kelly and Ken Stratford arrived.

4. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

a) Academic Council Composition

Discussion focused on the composition of Academic Council, including representation by core, associate, and adjunct faculty as well as applied research representatives. It was decided to allow people more time to consider this issue, i.e., to 'let it ripen.'

b) Future Program Directions: Peace and Conflict Studies

Jim Bayer related that his division was considering:

- adding concentrations in the second year
- associating with the International Centre at Lester B. Pearson College to jointly provide courses in peacekeeping whereby students would do practicums under the aegis of Pearson College. He was asked to check into RRU's potential liabilities during the practicum terms.
- breaking the MA program down into bite-sized chunks by having 2 certificate programs
- developing diploma programs for learners who want more skills and education but who are not prepared to earn an MA at this time
- adding a spring start-up
- a Ph.D. program possibly within an 'umbrella' consortium of universities
- creating 2-day workshops within the community

Action: Ken Stratford and Jim Bayer to explore the potential for community workshops.

5. Matters Arising

a) Food in class

The issue of learners bringing food to classrooms was raised. It was felt that a common ground which respected the collective rights of learners, instructors and the RRU community had been established through the use of signage and support to instructors to 'hold the line.'

Gerry Kelly left the meeting.

b) IP Grades

Background material regarding work changes about IP grades had been distributed before the meeting. Discussion focused on whether or not to have campus-wide consistency on IP upgrades, or to allow divergent practices within each different division.

Action: The Registrar is to draft a notice of motion to Academic Council on grading and appeal processes regarding graduate programs.

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. on a motion by Jim McTaggart-Cowan.

Next meeting: January 19, 2000, 3 p.m. Castle 3rd floor Boardroom.