



MINUTES

Present:

Derek Francis
Dana Goedbloed, Chair
Bevin Heath Ansley
Sandi Klassen
Gordon Lee
Karen Metzger, Recorder
Linda Rogers
Helen Vallee
Newton Wainman

Regrets:

Bill Barthelemy
Bernice O'Shea
Judith McGillivray

1) Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 pm.

2) Agenda

The agenda was approved by consensus as presented.

3) Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the meeting on October 27, 2004 were approved, with the amendment to show that Linda Rogers had been present.

4) Draft Criteria

The committee discussed the draft criteria as distributed and simultaneously examined and revised the Program concept document, which will go to DPAC for approval when ready.

The Program Concept document provides a suitable avenue for the process of program prioritization as it is the document that goes to the Board of Governors for approval. The committee discussed adding a step in the approval process: after a program concept has been approved by Education Council, it could go to the executive committee for consideration and recommendation to the Board of Governors.

The committee unanimously agreed on the importance of the prioritization process being transparent.

Establishing weighting or ranking of the criteria must be in accordance with the Strategic Plan and the Multi-Year Education Plan, and also Ministry requirements.

There was general discussion about internationalization of curriculum, cultural literacy, and the role of preparatory courses.

Dana thanked the committee members for their considered input on such short notice, and asked them to bring any question that come up from their constituents.

5) Policy Language

Sandi Klassen and Dana Goedbloed will prepare a draft policy for the next meeting. On approval by this committee, the draft policy will go to the Policy Review Committee.

6) Next meeting: TBA mid-January.

7) Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 2:54 pm.