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UNIVERSITY OF MAINE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

University of Maine at Machias
September 23, 1985

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON ROTC

PRESENT: Chairman Robert Dunfey, James Bowers, Richard Morin. Other Trustees: Harrison Richardson. Staff: Chancellor McCarthy, Robert Woodbury, Arthur Johnson, Frederic Reynolds, Richard Spath, George Connick, Constance Carlson.

Mr. Dunfey convened the meeting. Chancellor McCarthy said the purpose of the meeting was to provide an opportunity for the Presidents to ask questions and raise some of the concerns they had about the Committee's request for a peace studies proposal. President Johnson said he supported the concept of peace studies but did not support the idea of Trustees mandating peace studies. He said it would be important for any proposal to come through the regular program approval process. Mr. Richardson questioned whether there was any impetus at either UMO or USM for a program of that kind. Mr. Dunfey pointed out that the Committee neither requested nor expected that a proposal would be developed outside the regular approval process. He said the Committee wanted to encourage interest in peace studies. President Woodbury reported that while there was little or no interest in peace studies at USM there was significant interest in international studies and this area might well include some peace studies issues. Mr. Morin indicated that the Committee was interested in having a few peace studies courses available to go along with the ROTC curriculum. He said the international studies area deals with peace studies only in a peripheral way. In further discussion, President Woodbury said he thought it was appropriate for the Board to identify areas or issues of importance on occasion. Chancellor McCarthy suggested that the Campuses be asked to put forward what they thought would meet the interest of the Committee, and the Presidents concurred with this suggestion.

Adjournment.

JoAnne R. Magill
Clerk