

# Graduate Student Association

## Senate Meeting Agenda

### Memorial Union Room 300

9/17/2008 noon-1:00PM

- I. Call to order
- II. Approval of Senate Meeting Minutes- April 23, 2008
- III. Approval of Agenda
- IV. Internal Operations
  - A. President's Report (Matt Freeman)
    - i. Committee Reports
      - 1. Joint Strategic Planning Committee
        - a. Meeting on Sept 11<sup>th</sup> cancelled; next is Oct 9<sup>th</sup>
      - 2. Graduate Council
        - a. Meeting on Sept 15<sup>th</sup>; next is Sept 29<sup>th</sup>
      - 3. Faculty Senate
        - a. Meeting on Sept 25<sup>th</sup>
  - B. Vice President's Report (Jack Szczepanski)
  - C. Treasurer's Report (Marcy Thompson)
  - D. Secretary's Report (Laura Ingwell)
    - i. Copy of minutes from Summer Executive Board Meetings
  - E. Webmaster's Report (Pankaj Ahire)
- V. Old Business
  - A. Nominations for Faculty Advisor
    - i. Vote will occur Oct 8<sup>th</sup>, date of next Senate meeting
    - ii. Tom Dougan – Vice-President of Student Affairs
    - iii. Vacant position – vote by majority election of Graduate Senate
    - iv. Required to be faculty member
  - B. Senators – Missed Meeting Form
    - i. To be linked on website
- VI. New Business
  - A. 'Senate Meetings – Info for Senators' Form
    - i. Discussion
    - ii. Link to website
  - B. Changes to Bylaws
  - C. Changes to Constitution
  - D. Committees
    - i. GSA
      - 1. Budget and Finance Committee
      - 2. Vote to form Community Service Committee
      - 3. Vote to form Bylaws and Constitution Committee
    - ii. University
      - 1. Council for Graduate Research – Marcy Thompson
      - 2. Graduate Council – 2 appointees
        - a. Meetings from 2:30-4:30 PM on Sept 15, Sept 29, Oct 27, Nov 24, Dec 15, Jan 30, Feb 27, Mar 30, Apr 20
        - b. Usually on a subcommittee as well (New Programs, etc.)
      - 3. Discuss allowing GAU one appointee for the '08-'09 year
      - 4. URI Presidential Search Committee – Cristin Langworth (Pol Sci)
      - 5. President's Commission on the Status of Women at URI

- a. <http://www.uri.edu/uriwomen/>
- 6. Constitution, By-Laws and University Manual
- 7. Teaching Effectiveness
- 8. Athletics Advisory Board
  - a. One meeting per month
  - b. Contact is Prof. Luebke at [bfluebke@mail.uri.edu](mailto:bfluebke@mail.uri.edu)
- 9. Graduate Student Academic Appeals Board – 2 appointees
  - a. Information from Graduate Council
- 10. Learning Outcomes Oversight Committee
- 11. Library Committee
- 12. Academic Standards and Calendar
- 13. Honors Program and Visiting Scholars

E. Socials

- i. Officer tickets for boat cruise
- ii. Upcoming Sham Rocks Events: 10/14, 11/12. 12/9 from 7-10PM
- iii. Change Spring Bash to February
- iv. Possible Boat cruise in May

VII. Announcements

VIII. Open Forum

IX. Adjourn