

A. CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 pm

B. ROLL CALL: Ajasa, Berger, Blaise, Blanchette, Boiteau, Cahill, Caisse, Cicero, Coates, Cologna, Davis, Farrow, Ferreira, Flynn, Fox, Gulum, Holden, Holzman, Javett, Jones, Juhr, Knight, Labate, Lamoureux, MacKinnon, May, Messineo, Moffitt, Pezza, Pilkington, Prata, Reilly, Renzi, Rodrigues, Rosati, Rossi, Roy, Segal, Sharkey, Sinapi, K Stewart, B Stewart, Troiano, Wynne, Zaman

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Rodrigues: Motion to add SS-10/11-25, SS-10/11- 26, SS-10/11-27, SS-10/11-28, SS-10/11-29, and SS-10/11-30 to agenda

Holzman 2nd

Coates: Motion to change 24 to (8 03)

Cologna: Motion for rerec by exec on bill

Sinapi 2nd

Exec Recommendation (11-0-0)

Messineo: Motion to refer SS-10/11-19 back to SOARC

Rodrigues 2nd

Agenda approved ☺

D. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes approved ☺

E. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Cologna: Motion for pledge

B Stewart 2nd

Holzman: ZBT and Phi Sig fundraiser for national kidney association. On quad Monday, jail and bail.

Rodrigues: Thank you everybody for support during homecoming, didn't win but good time

F. PUBLIC FORUM:

G. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

- **FINANCE COMMITTEE:**

Boiteau: Gaming club asked for advice about trip in spring. Worked on establish new rule for instruction for groups. Situations of funding differently. Figure out one consistent answer. Also working with Branford for purchasing gingerbread houses. If on my committee meet me after meeting

- **STUDENT ORGANIZATION ADVISORY AND REVIEW COMMITTEE:**

Messineo: 2 bills for tonight. Saahp

Member: We bring awareness of Haitian culture. Meet every Thursday. 1st Thursday is history of Haiti, different things for each Thursday of month.

Holden: How many people?

Member: About 22

Messineo: Strong organization, organized, tight knit, all there for right reasons, want to spread knowledge and info and give back to country. Vote in favor.

Sharkey: Eligible for budget? If so, where spending?

Messineo: No, category R.

Bill passes ☺

Messineo: Next is gigantic bill, not much to say. All groups on here, were on time with paperwork. All recognized at same level as last year, except for 1, and they're ok with it.

Rodrigues: Any reason IFC and Panhel are not here?

Messineo: Not there because they don't have to be because they have compact and finances are different. They are recognized like us, don't need to be on bill.

Boiteau: Penalty for groups without paperwork on time?

Messineo: All have bills to vote on for next week. Top 4 groups on it are previously recognized that didn't hand in on time, not recognized on time they won't get voted on until next week. Doesn't sound like big deal but wont have budget this week and can't book events until November 4th. Budget frozen can't do anything financially. Any groups that haven't that have offices will get thrown out.

Messineo: Please vote for it, I don't want to do it ever again.

Bill passes ☺

Messineo: Other than that, we have 70 groups again. Presidents meeting this Monday 7pm atrium. All group presidents are required to be there, SPO will talk, I have announcements as well. 6 bills on floor for next week, will be on agenda. Committee has 2 projects, pamphlet of student organizations and contact info, like website but in writing. And quick refresher of Roberts rules, so groups aren't intimidated if speak out of turn. Committee 2:30 Mondays in 354.

Reilly: If I cant make meetings, way to reach you?

Messineo: Talk to me after meeting

SS-10/11-19 – Bill Calling for the Recognition of Geology Club at Category A

Whereas, Geology club will provide students with interactive learning experiences and a forum to gain knowledge about geology as a science as well a field of study, and

Whereas, Geology Club meets the requirement for recognition at category A, and

Whereas, it is custom of the Student Senate to do so, therefore be it

Resolved, that Student Senate recognizes Geology Club at category A.

SPONSOR:	SOARC
BILL HANDLER:	Chairman Messineo
DATE:	Wednesday October 27, 2010
RECOMMENDATION:	Passed (3-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE:	Valid Until Next Re-Recognition
ACTION:	Vote Tonight

SS-10/11-21 Bill Calling for the Annual Re-Recognition of URI Student Senate Organizations

Whereas, all of the following organizations have met the requirement for recognition at their designated categories and,

Whereas, it is the duty of the student senate to recognize these student groups annually therefore be it,

Resolved, that the URI Student Senate re-recognize the following groups:

Alima International Dance Association	R	(4-0-0)
Anime Club	R	(4-0-0)
Ballroom Dancing	S	(4-0-0)
Best Buddies	A	(4-0-0)
C.L.A.S.S.	A	(4-0-0)
Cape Verdean Student Association (CVSA)	R	(4-0-0)
Classics Society	R	(4-0-0)
Colleges Against Cancer	A	(4-0-0)
College Democrats	R	(4-0-0)

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College Republicans	R	(4-0-0)
Cycling Club	R	(4-0-0)
Dance Company	S	(4-0-0)
eXposure	R	(4-0-0)
Fashion Merchandising Society	R	(4-0-0)
Fencing Club	S	(4-0-0)
Gay-Straight Alliance	R	(4-0-0)
Ghost Hunting Team	R	(4-0-0)
Good 5 Cent Cigar	M	(4-0-0)
Habitat For Humanity	A	(4-0-0)
Hillel	R	(4-0-0)
Humans vs. Zombies	R	(4-0-0)
Independent Scribe	S	(4-0-0)
Intervarsity Christian Fellowship	A	(4-0-0)
LASA	R	(4-0-0)
Marine Science Society	R	(4-0-0)
Martial Arts: Capoeira	R	(4-0-0)
Memorial Union Board of Directors	R	(4-0-0)
Mini Baja Club	R	(4-0-0)
Musicians Guild	R	(4-0-0)
Native American Student Organization (NASO)	R	(4-0-0)
Nutrition Club	A	(4-0-0)
Outing Club	S	(4-0-0)
Philosophers Anonymous (Philanomous)	R	(4-0-0)
PINK Women	R	(4-0-0)
Pre-Physical Therapy Club	A	(4-0-0)
Public Relations Society (PRSSA)	S	(4-0-0)
Psychology Club	A	(4-0-0)
Renaissance Yearbook	M	(4-0-0)
Student Athletic Advisory Council (SAAC)	R	(4-0-0)
Sailing Club	S	(4-0-0)
Sankofa Christian Ministry	R	(4-0-0)
Student Action for Sustainability	R	(4-0-0)
S.A.V.E.S	A	(4-0-0)
Student Alliance for the Welfare of Africa (SAWA)	R	(4-0-0)
Schools for Schools	A	(4-0-0)
Student Entertainment Committee (SEC)	M	(4-0-0)
Slow Food	R	(4-0-0)
Snowboarding Club	S	(4-0-0)
S.S.D.P.	R	(4-0-0)
St. Jude's	A	(4-0-0)
Student Non-Violence Committee	R	(4-0-0)
Student Senate	M	☺
Student United Way	A	(4-0-0)
Students for a More Accessible Campus	R	(4-0-0)
Surf Club	S	(4-0-0)
Society of Women Engineers	A	(4-0-0)
The Mob	A	(4-0-0)
Uhuru SaSa	R	(4-0-0)
URISLHA	A	(4-0-0)
Wildlife Society	R	(4-0-0)
WRIU	M	(4-0-0)

Sponsor: SOARC
 Bill Handler: Chairman Messineo
 Date: Wednesday October 27, 2010

Recommendation: Passage (4-0-0)
Expiration Date: Valid until next re-recognition
Action: Vote Tonight

SS-10/11-22 – Bill Calling for the Recognition of SAAHP at Category R

Whereas, SAAHP will provide students with interactive learning experiences and a forum to gain knowledge about Haiti and its culture, and

Whereas, SAAHP meets the requirement for recognition at category R, and

Whereas, it is custom of the Student Senate to do so, therefore be it

Resolved, that Student Senate recognizes SAAHP at category R.

SPONSOR: SOARC
BILL HANDLER: Chairman Messineo
DATE: Wednesday October 27, 2010
RECOMMENDATION: Passed (4-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE: Valid Until Next Re-Recognition
ACTION: Vote Tonight

SS-10/11-XX – Bill Calling for the Recognition of NSBE at Category A

Whereas, NSBE will provide students with an opportunity to increase their participation in programs rooted in the fields of engineering and engineering technology and

Whereas, NSBE meets the requirement for recognition at category A, and

Whereas, it is custom of the Student Senate to do so, therefore be it

Resolved, that Student Senate recognizes NSBE at category A.

SPONSOR: SOARC
BILL HANDLER: Chairman Messineo
DATE: Wednesday October 27, 2010
RECOMMENDATION: Passed (4-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE: Valid Until Next Re-Recognition
Action: Vote Next Week

SS-10/11-XX – Bill Calling for the Recognition of URI Scuba Club at Category S

Whereas, URI Scuba Club will provide training and continuing education in self-contained underwater breathing apparatuses and recreational open sea diving, and

Whereas, URI Scuba Club meets the requirement for recognition at category S, and

Whereas, it is custom of the Student Senate to do so, therefore be it

Resolved, that Student Senate recognizes URI Scuba Club at category S.

SPONSOR: SOARC
BILL HANDLER: Chairman Messineo
DATE: Wednesday October 27, 2010
RECOMMENDATION: Passed (4-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE: Valid Until Next Re-Recognition
Action: Vote Next Week

SS-10/11-XX – Bill Calling for the Recognition of URI Gaming Club at Category R

Whereas, URI Gaming Club will provide students with a casual, friendly environment to engage in role-playing games, card games, video games and various other types of games, and

Whereas, URI Gaming Club meets the requirement for recognition at category R, and

Whereas, it is custom of the Student Senate to do so, therefore be it

Resolved, that Student Senate recognizes URI Gaming Club at category R.

SPONSOR: SOARC
BILL HANDLER: Chairman Messineo

DATE: Wednesday October 27, 2010
RECOMMENDATION: Passed (4-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE: Valid Until Next Re-Recognition
Action: Vote Next Week

SS-10/11-XX – Bill Calling for the Recognition of Asian Students Association at Category R

Whereas, Asian Students Association will increase the University’s awareness of Asian topics in the world and provide students an opportunity to become involved in projects involving Asian art, food, religion and culture, and

Whereas, Asian Students Association meets the requirement for recognition at category R, and

Whereas, it is custom of the Student Senate to do so, therefore be it

Resolved, that Student Senate recognizes Geology Club at category R.

SPONSOR: SOARC
BILL HANDLER: Chairman Messineo
DATE: Wednesday October 27, 2010
RECOMMENDATION: Passed (4-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE: Valid Until Next Re-Recognition
Action: Vote Next Week

SS-10/11-XX – Bill Calling for the Recognition of Allied Health Professionals at Category R

Whereas, Allied Health Professionals will provide students with knowledge and information about personal health and hygiene as well as information and learning opportunities for those interested in potential employment in a medical field, and

Whereas, Allied Health Professionals meets the requirement for recognition at category R, and

Whereas, it is custom of the Student Senate to do so, therefore be it

Resolved, that Student Senate recognizes Allied Health Professionals at category R.

SPONSOR: SOARC
BILL HANDLER: Chairman Messineo
DATE: Wednesday October 27, 2010
RECOMMENDATION: Passed (7-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE: Valid Until Next Re-Recognition
Action: Vote Next Week

SS-10/11-XX – Bill Calling for the Recognition of Weightlifting Club at Category R

Whereas, Weightlifting Club will provide a common forum for students interested in learning about using weightlifting as a form of stress relief and improving their personal health and fitness, and

Whereas, Weightlifting Club meets the requirement for recognition at category R, and

Whereas, it is custom of the Student Senate to do so, therefore be it

Resolved, that Student Senate recognizes Weightlifting Club at category R.

SPONSOR: SOARC
BILL HANDLER: Chairman Messineo
DATE: Wednesday October 27, 2010
RECOMMENDATION: Passed (7-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE: Valid Until Next Re-Recognition
Action: Vote Next Week

- **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:**

Cologna: Meeting with assistant dean of business, talked about course materials. All in favor of what we have so far. Meeting with her more but good to have faculty on side. Syllabus skeleton, mentioned at academic standards and calendars meeting. Seemed open to that. Meeting talked about moving drop period and exam period. Regarding drop period, took vote, but its not final vote for faculty senate. Just proposals but

strong. Proposal 1 was still 9 week drop period. They want to change it to 2 weeks then 3-6 get W on transcript, 6-9 meeting with advisor so they have to think about it first. Problems voiced by enrollment service. Talked about availability of advisors and processing paperwork. Referenced competing schools, with more strict policies or shorter drop period. Proposal 2 called for 2 week open drop period and 3-6 with W then after you have to go through whole appeals process. Takes long time. Committee felt better because cut out a lot of paperwork and advising needs of students, shortening drop period, a lot of administration would like to see, makes us comparable to other universities (6-4-1) vote. Want to change because 46% of students take 6 years to grad from URI. Feel like way too long. By moving drop period earlier and checks in place will stop from dropping and forced to take more classes per semester and graduate on time. I said should maybe make it easier to navigate through major. Basically I want senate opinions on issues. I want to draft bill on this.

Coates: 2 on committee, and only 1 vote against.

Cologna: I vote against Casey voted for

Holden: Faculty are doing this because increased number of enrollment. Every time somebody drops and you retake taking place somebody younger could take. Shortened drop could fix that.

Coates: Going to say when I was on committee, when you think about it, add period is 7 days in semester, and another 7 to add. So why the same time to drop that? So when people look at transcript if that's marked on there, they will assume you were failing.

Encourage AA to not make the drop period that short. 14 days isn't long enough

Cologna: Way set up is openly drop any class first 2 weeks, after you can still drop but campus would warn you about the W and cant revoke and said to make meeting with advisor. I was opposed to W because people can ask why you dropped it they didn't seem to think it was significant. Struck me as odd.

Sinapi: Reason deadline now is good, midterms go in before drop deadline, so you're aware of where you stand and if should drop or not. With new set up have no idea where your standing is. Midterms still won't be earlier, so you will have to drop not knowing how you're doing. Issue with not enough spots, teachers can hand out permission numbers. 100 level courses make sure lower get in and 400 upperclassmen and make sure certain majors. People aren't getting into classes because there aren't enough teachers to teach. 200 levels with juniors and seniors because cant get in before that. People going in for gen eds that have nothing to do with major. Courses that do that, have no problem.

MacKinnon: I feel that 2 weeks in too short, like Sinapi said. But also some people on campus have scholarships to worry about, and if forced to continue a course and GPA falls because you didn't want W could lose scholarship. Have semester to make it up, but still not good. Seems too short to realize how well you're doing, my big issue with this.

B Stewart: Agree with MacKinnon and Sinapi, but its too long and easy to drop class. You don't have to drop till November 3rd. A couple clicks and it's gone. If a way to get advisors and faculty involved, mandatory meeting to discuss why. I know people that drop because they aren't failing, so easy to drop, that's why numbers so high. 46 % 6 years to graduate is ridiculous. You might have C or D and don't want that but doesn't make sense, need better ways so kids don't drop classes don't need to.

May: For Cologne, have teachers made excuses or reasons why it should be 2 weeks, as opposed to now?

Cologne: 2 week policy comes from competing schools, most have that with the W. UNH is pretty strict, between 6- 9 the GPA of when dropping would be there, which is out of control.

Pilkington: 2 weeks is defiantly not long enough.

Sinapi: Ask question reserve right to speak. Statistic on graduating in 4 years?

Cologne: Chairman of board said 46% of students do not graduate on time, and potentially stay here for 6 years. I asked for stats to see what colleges had those figures. College of business doesn't really drop as much or stay as long but I feel navigation can be better.

Sinapi: I bet pharmacy and engineering are put in that stat. Some colleges have courses/professors that don't have enough teachers.

Coates: Pharmacy and engineering aren't counted, discussion about potentially making 1 or 2 of our 4 year programs into 5 year, so it would cut rate down so percentages would look better. To get idea of what we're dealing with, last year when I was on committee somebody suggested you have 1 day to drop class. We should do everything in our power to prevent change, invite students to give their opinions to faculty.

May: Stat sounds strange because everybody's case is different, some people have double majors, minors, to get credits, it could take longer than 4 years expected.

Coates: Come to US News and Princeton review college rankings, key factor taken into account, which is why need to be close to 4 year rate.

Cologne: Talk to my committee, give opinion. Other thing talked about at meeting, is exam period runs too late. Proposing to do in some way, not push final exam period earlier in semester but take days off end. Also standard day for take home exams or scheduled slot for exam times. Policy in place saying students can take 2 exams a day at 2 hours they can have more, so concerned about that. Concerned with URI accreditation. If we take days off could mess that up. Not voted on, address at next meeting, mid November. If anybody wants to talk or ask questions.

Holden: Talked about idea about evening and sat exams, Cologne and myself experienced those, talk of more of those in future if shorter exam period went through.

Coates: Senate traditionally opposes Saturday and evening exams because students work and could conflict.

May: Exams as are conflict with vacation and flight home schedule. I have Comm Exam the 21st and a lot of people want to go home and go on vacation. 1 students family is world travelers and family is leaving for a month, no flexibility of when to take exam. Professor said talk to high ups, so need more flexibility on that.

Caisse: Time line for when votes will be voted

Cologne: Not said to be voted on so not sure when, the other they want to move forward with.

Cologne: Other than that that's everything.

- EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

B Stewart: Everything from last week we're working on, but more people. Senator Roy is handling traffic light. Berger working on trees. And Chris Knight and I working on stats from chamber of commerce. Talked about traffic light but I think they're still mad about canceling coalition. Emailed saying we will not be attending coalition.

Working on lobbying, committee 2pm Friday. Please come by if you want. Any questions

- **CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:**

Davis: 2 new people at meeting that aren't from senate. Multicultural fair on November 9th, 7pm night of tradition in ballroom, cosponsored with Native American student organization, November 10th is multicultural fair, ginger bread comp in atrium 1, right after student senate meeting. Still doing holiday toy drive. Spread all that info to everybody. More participation the better.

Cologna: What time is November 9th and 10th?

Davis: 9th is at 7pm and 10th is at 8pm

Coates: Need volunteers for senate gingerbread house

Davis: I'll pass signup sheet if want to be on student senate team, unlimited amount of people.

- **CAMPUS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:**

Juhr: Today at meeting talked about speed bumps and too many accidents on campus. Looking at making opinion bill on dining costs and meal plans because they're going up. Talked about moving marching band because they take up part of the parking lot. Talked about how ram account machines are sometimes not working. Library hours changed form last year, now closes at 8pm now different and don't know why. Safety and lighting walk tomorrow 6pm meeting outside senate office

May: Just to reinforce, marching band talking about moving to open grass, if you have ideas or where we can store equipment, that would help. Coming up with ideas. Speed bumps trying to put on Butterfield road, people have been moving too fast. There is one across from Butterfield but not enough. Finally by emporium a few stop signs. Cigar article about how somebody got hit by car.

Roy: Library closes at 11pm because the staff member who stayed till 2am isn't there so waiting for new staff member

Cologna: We can't force marching band to move but can negotiate

Messineo: There will soon be speed bumps across the street from us.

B Stewart: I see cars fly by on hill by Barlow, surprised more people don't get hit. Hard to see people on upper college road and. I was driving with friend it was dark and he almost ran people down. Can't even see people at cross walks. Worse this year.

- **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:**

a. Director of Communications

Pezza: Doing t-shirts, \$10, guy brought down because of amount of people signed up but need it by Friday or price will go up. I have your names. Give money to me or Kim. Office hours on Friday 12-3. Basketball tickets, we got 20. Game this Friday, October 29th, and Wednesday November 3rd. sign up sheets. More than 20 people signing up its ok, ill figure out. T-shirts sizes on papers, because Friday game giving them away, so if sign up Friday put that down. Motivation to sign up for next thing, is public info booth on quad, it's going to have poster and info so students can see senate out on campus. I have another sign up sheet for that from 9 to 3. 3 spots for every hour. Make a little bullet point paper so we have things that catch interest. If in committee tell me about big projects to intrigue people. If sign up for booth, you'll be higher on basketball list. Scholarship deadline is extended to November 12th, encourage people to apply. Great way to get our name out

there, and money towards college. Right now only like 2 people did it so odds are good.

Rodrigues: How much is it?

Prata: I'll find out

Coates: Booths is good way to get in touch with people we might not normally interact with, and good to get input of students just walking. Encourage to sign up. What section are basketball tickets?

Pezza: I don't know

Cologna: Good speaking point of public info booth would be recent drop issue, so find out more and talk it up at booth, and maybe start petition of opinions

Ajasa: What is scholarship for?

Prata: I'll talk about it more

b. Secretary

Segal: Kudos this week goes to 2 people again. Steve Boiteau because he carried 100 apples and 8 gallons all at once out of my car and in to the senate office which impressed me and helped me. And Brittany who worked at a booth we had the other day promoting question 2, the diversity events were having and donations for Ellery. Other senators were helping her as well but I never heard anybody give so much information so perfectly. I think Brittany should be at all booths from now on. Homecoming went ok. I think for what it was it was good, but not a lot of people came so that kind of sucked. So thank you everybody who helped out with that. Also the month is almost over so that means liaison and college rep reports are due to me, so don't forget. Also I've been getting all the committee minutes so that's good, keep them coming. Kim wanted me to talk about using the senate website, go on play around with it, and look at everything and read stuff. Also answer our weekly poll on there.

Coates: What about the liaison report format?

Segal: Yeah, me and Dave made a format for liaisons. It was put in your mailboxes, you can put it in your binder and use it. It basically just lays out how to write your report and what to include.

c. Treasurer

Mackinnon: "On all hallows eve; kiddies go trick or treating; and I pay the bills"

d. Vice President

Prata: New senators you get 2 excuses absents and 1 unexcused. So the forms are in office near Kim's desk, if you don't have time before meeting send me an email. That's for from now till March. Keep in mind when thinking about missing. Also most current contact info, Kim asked to pass around check its all correct add in missing info. If during semester, you have conflict with committee let me know we can switch, but you need to go to committees for scholarship must be part of student senate organization, the other one you must be also part of Greek system. 2.5 GPA and junior status. Applications are on table in office. Want to get money out before next semester. We only had a couple of people sign up. Asked Messineo to make

announcement on Monday at presidents meeting. Anybody in student organization is eligible.

Rodrigues: Essay portion count for one or both of scholarship?

Prata: Not sure but if apply for both do 2 separate

Bruce: that would be correct

Prata: How much are they for?

Bruce: Both approximately \$440

Rosati: Who reviews applications?

Prata: Committee of 4 senators and Bruce. If on committee can't apply

Rodrigues: Can there be a letter of recommendation?

Prata: If not on application not necessary

Prata: Formal, January 28th, no price yet. Meeting with Amalfis November 18th. How many plan on attending. Our event for January. Month of December is secret snowman. Trying to figure out fun thing to do for November. Cologne said laser tag in Fall River. I will try and get group rate. Maybe weekend before thanksgiving.

Knight: Elevator there is scary, only put like 5 people in it

Reilly: I've been there, sketchiest place ever.

Lamoureux: Heard elevator is broken so don't need to worry

Davis: See me about buses

e. *President*

Coates: Great job with homecoming. President Dooley will talk at one of our meetings during public forum. Talk to people you know, roommates, see what people want asked. URI is currently considering ban on 4 loko. Alcoholic energy drink. Email Friday. We're a dry campus, but were actually restricted. That would no longer be allowed for 21+ I don't know if there would be additional fines. Haven't particularly opposed measures yet. It is extremely unhealthy though, even if you mixed alcohol and regular energy drink, its still not comparable. Other universities have starting banning it and some states. In Providence went to alumni event, talked to a number of alumni, rave about us, we should be proud of ourselves. Also got out of it contact with high profile attorney from Providence. Wants to talk about orange sticker. Exciting. Met with joint committee on academic planning, multicultural and diversity task force. Make number of changes to curriculum. Have to take 2 classes with little e. Fiscal budge is looking bad. Bigger shortfall next year. Board of governors has issued freeze on tuition hikes. But not sure it will stay. Could see increase in instate tuition. Holzman and I debating issue. Think senate should take upon selves to write letter to send to state assembly saying listen you don't fund us the way we should be. Meet with whoever is interested. One for instate and one for out of state students. Vote yes on 2.

Rodrigues: 21+ banning all alcohol or just 4 loko?

Coates: Only 4 loko

Rodrigues: Details to have governor elect to come here during transition faze to talk about education plan?

Coates: We can make an effort, maybe we can host some kind of public forum, state of higher education speech in ballroom. Can look into it but no guarantee

Holden: Specified when diversity requirement will go into curriculum

Coates: Working on it now. I still have questions on it.

Rossi: In meeting, the diversity thing isn't going into effect until new gen ed thing goes in effect. So first there is a transition. So it won't effect, us, it will effect freshman coming in.

Rosati: Transitions schedule for Fall 2012.

Coates: Welcome back Bruce

- **RULES AND ETHICS:**

Rossi: No report

H. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

I. SPECIAL ORDERS:

Coates: Last week nominated Holzman for CIO position. He is the longest or 2nd longest senator in room. Couldn't think of anybody better do a job like that. Already worked on finance things. Surprised he still isn't on exec. Encourage to vote in favor. Secret ballot vote.

Holzman: I should be new CIO because Dave says I should. I've been here quite a while, when I first got on, gravitated towards older people on senate. Knew people that knew a lot of history. I look forward to a new challenge.

Cologna: Would you give the senate your personal definition of ethics?

Holzman: No I would not

Rosati: How long do you plan on staying on senate?

Holzman: Looking at May 2012 graduation, so the rest of this term and hopefully next

May: How do you plan to transferring the info when you graduate?

Holzman: One responsibility on me, is drafting transition binders for me and rest of exec. Part of that is how to do job, and as far as actual info, that's going in electronic database.

B Stewart: Currently how many hours a week do you spend in office not holding chair position?

Holzman: Office itself probably 4, and 2 or 3 in committee meetings

K Stewart: New senators, all saw chart Holzman made in orientation, and I think that's a good representation of how he can display info

Holzman wins ☺

Holzman: I resign my position as engineering rep and rules and ethics

Boiteau: Motion to add new member to rules and ethics

Holden 2nd

Holzman sworn in ☺

Rules and ethics nominations

K Stewart nominates Holden

Rodrigues 2nd

Sinapi: Who is on?

Rossi, K Stewart, Caisse, Jones

Segal nominates Labate
Holden 2nd

Coates nominates Flynn
Rodrigues 2nd

MacKinnon nominates Knight
Boiteau 2nd

Rodrigues nominates Roy
B Stewart 2nd

K Stewart nominates Wynne
B Stewart 2nd
Nominations and Election of CIO

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

K. NEW BUSINESS:

Coates: Creation of new bylaws committee. Rules and ethics members can't serve. 2 exec can be on, but no more. Look it over, let me know suggestions or changes. Vote next week.

SS-10/11-24 BILL CALLING FOR THE CREATION OF THE BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Whereas, the Senate Bylaws require occasional revision and amendment, and

Whereas, the most efficient way to accomplish this is by the recommendations of a special committee, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Senate form a special committee that shall be charged with proposing amendments to be voted upon by the general Senate, and be it further

Resolved, that the committee shall be composed of 5 senators and/or officers (who shall not constitute a majority of members) to be nominated and appointed by the Senate whose chairperson will be selected by the committee, and be it further

Resolved, that the committee shall focus on adding sections about Senate strategic planning, guidelines for certification of documents relating to institutional memory, oversight of liaisons to University committees, investigate the role/authority of vice chairperson, review the DOC's and Secretary's job description, and edit formatting and grammatical issues, and be it finally

Resolved, that the committee shall exist from the passage of this legislation until such time as all of their proposed amendments have been voted on, or the 2010/11 legislative session has ended.

Sponsor: Executive Committee
Bill Handler: President David W. Coates

Date: Wednesday October 27, 2010
 Recommendation: Passage (8 - 0 - 0)
 Expiration Date: Valid until end of the 2010/11 legislative session
 Action: Vote Next Week

L. GENERAL DISCUSSION AND OPEN FORUM:

Bruce: Sorry I was sick last week and missed orientation, come see me anytime. We're not hard to get along with. Thank you old senate so I don't lose keys.

Maureen: Branford can you get info on toy drive? Assume it will be at presidents meeting but if you could get me flyer. Scheduling process took place last week, organizations got emails about setting up programs and meetings info in and set. Window decorating contest coming back this year. Prize is box at basketball game.

Segal: I put flyers in everybody's mailboxes, some are big and some are small. But my sorority is having a fundraiser called Wings for Wishes, which is basically a wing night on November 8th from 4 to 8 in the union ballroom. Its \$5 so go!!!

Coates: Applebees 9pm come.

Rodriguez: Knowing this is last meeting before November elections, strongly urge you guys to vote, there's a lot at stake. If you guys do not vote.

MacKinnon: Everybody have a safe yet "spook-tacular" Halloween weekend

Davis: Parties in union Thursday Friday and Saturday. Fun and exciting. So if you have nothing to do. Nov 2nd at 7pm c.l.a.s.s. is putting on showcase. \$3. proceeds go to high school benefit. 2 high school RI students will get scholarship

Boiteau: Yield time to back

Lived in Warwick, president of my class, wanted to get involved so I decided to come tonight.

Holzman: Info for you. In world of capital improvements. CBLS got energy efficient certification, which is hard for biological building. 2nd 4th/5th floor of cbls will be finished by next year. Those who don't know when chem. Building does get built, going to span from back side of Chafee across to White hall. Some faculty parking go away in next few years. Looking at building parking garage, faculty isn't happy about losing space. We complain but they complain too. Some of chemistry building is going to be left unequipped so as things develop. Edwards renovation cost almost \$2 million, almost done, lobby is open but not yet operational. Money were spending on Edwards is from stimulus act that was passed. Renovation for another building, teaching labs that were desperately needed. Spending money on field, stand sand press box. Spent about \$150 million in improvements another \$150 million to go to make it what they want. Master plan gone from website so its hard to see. But URI will always be building something. Union athletics Chafee all getting things, Washburn and East as well. How many people curious about hole in ground behind fine arts taking up spaces. Building for Greek culture/history/language. Only thing there is foundation. Building funded by private sources, we granted land to put there. Concrete company donated time and labor to do that. If senate is interested in getting in touch with helping rise money and making people on campus aware.

B Stewart: Make intelligent decisions this weekend when you go out.

Cologna: Encourage to find out as much info about academic standards and calendars info and talk to friends

Ajasa: Pink women 2-5 on quad event

Coates: Remind vote yes on 2. And go to Applebees

Rodrigues: Yield time

So many new faces I'm officer mark with URI police. Welcome to senate. This weekend is Halloween but be responsible and have good time, but get home safe. Rodrigues wants me to bring up bonfire at Rhody rally. Like to get a monthly bonfire going depending on money. If we can get volunteers and vendors and get bonfire and hang out. Welcome to senate.

Davis: Go to Applebees, if you don't have money Coates will cover it

Labate: I work at Ryan center at concessions so if you decide to go there, come visit me and ill hook you guys up

Rosati: Motion to adjourn

Cologna 2nd

N. ADJOURNMENT:

AYE: Ajasa, Berger, Blaise, Blanchette, Cahill, Caisse, Cicero, Farrow, Ferreira, Flynn, Fox, Gulum, Holden, Javett, Jones, Jühr, Labate, Lamoureux, Messineo, Moffitt, Pilkington, Reilly, Renzi, Rosati, Rossi, Roy, Sharkey, K Stewart, B Stewart, Troiano, Wynne, Zaman

NAY: Boiteau, Cologna, Knight, May, Rodrigues, Sinapi

NO VOTE: Coates, Holzman, MacKinnon, Pezza, Prata, Segal

8:16 pm