

A. CALL TO ORDER: 6:35 pm

B. ROLL CALL: Berger, Boiteau, Burgess, Caisse, Centracchio, Clarke, Coates, Cologna, Curry, Dlhopsky, Farrow, Ferreira, Holden, Holzman, Javett, Jones, Juhr, MacKinnon, Messineo, Navilliat, Passa, Pezza, Prata, Renzi, Rodrigues, Rosati, Rossi, Segal, Sellon, Sinapi, Stewart, Stewart, Timas

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Caisse: Motion to swear in remaining senators

Cologna 2nd

MacKinnon: Motion to change SS-10/11-01 change to vote tonight, it was on agenda last week

Messineo 2nd

Agenda approved! ☺

D. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Rodrigues: Page 13 bottom, motion to change Jewishness to Judaism

Holzman 2nd

Minutes approved! ☺

E. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MacKinnon: Tomorrow and Friday is Greek Sing and Lip Sync in Keaney gym. \$5 at door money goes to URI foundations. Me and other senators are in it, so go.

Messineo: Motion for the pledge

Rodrigues 2nd

Timas: Fashion show tomorrow by uru and there is an after party

Coates: Saturday April 24th NASA holding first annual pow wow 12 pm till 6 pm.

Cologna: Crew team race tomorrow in new boat we bought them.

Holzman: If interested in faculty senate, it's 3rd day every month (tomorrow), if anybody wants to join me in Kirk at 3 pm.

F. PUBLIC FORUM:

G. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

- **FINANCE COMMITTEE:**

SS-10/11-01 – CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR STUDENTS FOR A SENSIBLE DRUG POLICY

Whereas, SSDP, is a Senate recognized organization, and

Whereas, SSDP would like to hold a programming event on campus, and

Whereas, it is within their mission statement to do so, and

Whereas, SSDP would like money to help cover the costs of the event, and

Whereas, this request is within the finance policy of the Senate and it is the Senate's custom to grant such requests, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Student Senate grant \$2,500.00 from our Programming Contingency to the Category #130 (Programming) line in the budget of SSDP.

SPONSOR:	Finance Committee
BILL HANDLER:	Chairman Petit
DATE:	Wednesday, April 14 th , 2010
RECOMMENDATION:	Passage (5-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE:	Upon Dispensation
ACTION:	Vote Next Week (Immediate Consideration)

Member: Saturday April 24th event on quad, bands and vendors, other things starts 12:30 till midnight over 1,000 expected in attendance. Contingency is for sound equipment so it can be outside.

Vote passes! ☺

SS-10/11-02 – CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR UNION BOARD

Whereas, Union Board, is a Senate recognized organization, and
Whereas, Union Board would like to hold a programming event on campus, and
Whereas, it is within their mission statement to do so, and
Whereas, Union Board would like money to help cover the costs of the event, and
Whereas, this request is within the finance policy of the Senate and it is the Senate’s custom to grant such requests, therefore be it
Resolved, that the Student Senate grant \$2,500 from our Programming Contingency to the Category #130 (Programming) line in the budget of Union Board.

SPONSOR: Finance Committee
BILL HANDLER: Chairman Petit
DATE: Wednesday, April 14th, 2010
RECOMMENDATION: Passage (3-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE: Upon Dispensation
ACTION: Vote Next Week (Immediate Consideration)

Holzman: Motion for immediate consideration.

Rodrigues 2nd

Member: April 20th block party. It’s the 11th annual outside the union. There are lots of people and things coming.

Cologna: how many people anticipated coming?

Member: 1,000 or more depending on weather.

Clarke: It’s an annual event with some of our organizations, so support the bill.

Vote passes! ☺

SS-10/11-03 – CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR PINK WOMEN

Whereas, Pink, is a Senate recognized organization, and
Whereas, Pink would like to hold a programming event on campus, and
Whereas, it is within their mission statement to do so, and
Whereas, Pink would like money to help cover the costs of the event, and
Whereas, this request is within the finance policy of the Senate and it is the Senate’s custom to grant such requests, therefore be it
Resolved, that the Student Senate grant \$2,500 from our Programming Contingency to the Category #130 (Programming) line in the budget of Pink.

SPONSOR: Finance Committee
BILL HANDLER: Chairman Petit
DATE: Wednesday, April 14th, 2010
RECOMMENDATION: Passage (3-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE: Upon Dispensation
ACTION: Vote Next Week (Immediate Consideration)

Cologna: Motion for immediate consideration.

Farrow 2nd

Member: Friday April 30th event proceeds go for domestic violence. Trying to have cost covered so admission can be free.

MacKinnon: How many are expected to attend?

Member: 400-700

Messineo: Where is the event?

Member: Edwards Auditorium

Jones: Who is opening act?

Member: Diggy Simmons

Vote passes! ☺

Clarke: Any other events that will need contingency?

K Stewart: No money left

Boiteau: No more contingency left so groups sponsor selves.

Coates: Transferred \$10,000 last week and only \$7,500 on floor this week so there is more money.

SS-10/11-04 – CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR ASIAN STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

Whereas, ASA, is a Senate recognized organization, and

Whereas, ASA would like to hold a programming event on campus, and

Whereas, it is within their mission statement to do so, and

Whereas, ASA would like money to help cover the costs of the event, and

Whereas, this request is within the finance policy of the Senate and it is the Senate’s custom to grant such requests, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Student Senate grant \$3,500 from our Programming Contingency to the Category #130 (Programming) line in the budget of ASA.

SPONSOR:	Finance Committee
BILL HANDLER:	Chairman Petit
DATE:	Wednesday, April 14 th , 2010
RECOMMENDATION:	Passage (5-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE:	Upon Dispensation
ACTION:	Vote Next Week

Messineo: Bill for next week they were previously recognized, questions ask. Motion to change recommendation to (6-0-0)

Rodrigues 2nd

- STUDENT ORGANIZATION ADVISORY AND REVIEW COMMITTEE (SOARC):

SS-10/11-05 – Bill Calling for the Recognition of C..I.A.O. at Category R

Whereas, C.I.A.O. will inform the URI campus about Italian culture and heritage and hope to help students develop a passion for the Italian language and understand what Italy has to offer.

Whereas, C.I.A.O. meets the requirements for recognition at category R, and

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

Resolved, that the Student Senate recognizes C.I.A.O.

SPONSOR:	SOARC
BILL HANDLER:	Chairwoman Holland
DATE:	Wednesday, April 14, 2010
RECOMMENDATION:	Passage (5-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE:	Valid Until Next Re-recognition
ACTION:	Vote Next Week

Messineo: Motion back to finance.

K Stewart 2nd

Messineo: Working on exec forms. If any groups haven't turned in contact info let me or Kim know. Some groups said weren't going to hold elections until mid/late April so they got extra time. All go to union board block party. I'll send letter to groups to tell them to go. Space allocations should be up next week. Keep an eye out.

- **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:**

Cologna: Academic complaint form last week. One class professor didn't show up until 16 minutes late. Some students left and professor didn't give them study guide. Unfair. Talked to chairperson in department and the student. We're working on it, hopefully good results. Committee meeting we talked about getting students involvement on 4 credit system and having segment on Student Senate in URI 101 classes so they know how to get involved and what were about. Coates and I had meeting with USA Today for new card readers because they're broken. Friday Coates and I have meeting to get more info on pilot. Next meeting flyer for exam rights and put adds in cigar. I would appreciate it if you helped hand out flyers.

- **EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:**

Clarke: Talked to lawyer about appeal. Mandatory mediation session was waived because nobody budging. Whoever wins will be posted what happens next Road To State House April 27th. Get out of class with permission. Hopefully more of you go. Good way to meet other student reps. Spring cleanup also...

B Stewart: Spring cleanup at Bonnet Shores Community center 9 am sign up sheet for whoever wants to go. Try to work out transportation to get there. Working with IFC and Panhel. They're sending people. Hopefully really good turnout. Sending out a list of who wants to go to road to state house to see how to get there.

Coates: Vice pres Gianna will count that as your office hour for that week. Last year we sent between 10 and 12 people. Encourage you to be there.

Messineo: I'll miss you Clarke! ☹

Jorge 2nd

- **CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:**

Ferreira: working on Rammies, please fill out ballots and return to me.

- **CAMPUS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:**

Sinapi: Car rental waiting on contact went to University lawyer to see who we're going with. University seems eager to help us. Survey is out, over 600 responses

already. Go on...well can't say Webmail. If it does come up you'll have it in inbox.

- **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:**

a. Director of Communications

Pezza: registered us on Twitter and fan page on Facebook. I want to make sure it's perfect before releasing. I'll need your help sending to friends. If you need help writing or getting stuff out I can help.

Rodrigues: Amazing poster!

b. Secretary

Segal: I want to do something like Kudos that Joelle did, but different. So leave me ideas in my mailbox because I want notes in there!

c. Treasurer

MacKinnon: Something? And paying the bills.

d. Vice President

Prata: If you haven't heard from Kim the retreat is scheduled for Saturday April 24th. It's mandatory but some have other retreats and it is last minute if you have a good reason like URI 101 mentor then talk to me. If you're around and don't have a university related thing, expect you to be there. Yes or no, if no need formal note. SOLC needs a number of people. It's at challenge coarse low ropes. When you go wear closed toe shoes, pants and tee shirt. It's from 11-4. Meet in Senate office 10:15 am and we'll carpool. Committee meetings, anybody didn't get assignment? Great! You should all be going. Chairs, I expect attendance. The attendance and minutes keep separate so I can make excel spreadsheet for you to bring to committee for attendance. 1 paper don't lose it, it will make my life easier. Get me your minutes. In process of planning BBQ. We talked about using Frosty money. Haven't come up with date. Probably Sunday afternoon. At Messineo's.

Clarke: Petit said he wants it as his house.

Prata: There will be a BBQ we will let you know. Another thing welcome day this Sunday. Same setup as last time. Feel free to sign up. Veteran senators would be good, but new people are good too. Vidhi asked me to announce senior speaker winner...Erica Richard won! Over next week talked to Kim about new nametags, because I can't see them.

Cologna: Explain Frosty money to new people?

Prata: Frosty mug is for if you curse in front of Kim. Jorge knows he has a tab going. Money goes for pizza at annual meeting or BBQ.

Holden: At welcome day I will be Rhody, so go!

e. President

Coates: I planned a long speech for last meeting but Bruce wanted to kill me so I didn't get to give this. We have responsibility because we were all voted on here. Me and Gianna want to communicate effectively with students. Want to be in tune with student needs. Launching Twitter and fan page to connect better. Working with welcome day now, orientation and URI 101. Cologna mentioned it. Beyond recruiting we need to let students know what kind of resource

we are for them. As senators be fair respectful civil, brave with thoughts. Certain expectation to be good leaders. I have confidence in every person in room. Liaisons and college reps new level of importance. Want to know who will do what before Spring ends. Whoever is on summer Senate should work hard and be prepared. Student lobbying, next external affairs will have large orders of business. Senate projects continued like car sharing service, lighting and rock gym. Continue academic reform. New 4 credit system being discussed and revamping general education system. Need to work on person-to-person level. So it's not our opinion but student opinion. As far as groups and SOARC, collaboration and cooperation for bettering of entire campus. Student activities tax is for entire community. Personally meet with all of you. Provide sign up sheet, 5 minute meeting, even people that have already been on Senate, I'll sign up sheet with my office hours. Look forward to that! Begun exec election and more tonight. Ask yourself that they are level headed and motivated. I trust all of you to provide me with that.

- RULES AND ETHICS:

H. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

I. SPECIAL ORDERS:

Swore in new senator.

Swearing in of Presidential Appointments

Director of Communications- Samantha Pezza
Sworn in

Secretary- Stephanie Segal
Sworn in
No longer senator at large

Treasurer- Bill MacKinnon
Sworn in
No longer senator at large

Elections for Committee Chairs

Academic Affairs-
Brenden Cologna
Jacob Holzman
Holzman: Respectfully decline nomination

Campus Affairs-
Jacob Holzman
Anthony Sinapi

Cultural Affairs-
Yvens Faustin
Brittany Ferreira

Jorge Rodrigues
Brandford Davis

Coates: Faustin declined nomination

Messineo: Point of info, if nominee is not here they can still be nominated just can't speak.

External Affairs-
Robert Stewart

Academic Affairs:

K Stewart: 2nd because he is really organized, a very good student, makes him perfect, pretty sure he's been on AA all of this year and does a good job.

Rodrigues: nominated Cologne because he is best qualified for AA and has been under the leadership of Coates and best qualified for the position and would just do a great job.

Cologna: thanks! Coates is ambitious and I want to stay involved with faculty. I have worked with them in the College of Business. I'm good for the transition to position. Have had extensive leadership training and as well as delegated responsibility.

Coates: Do you know who the ombud is?

Cologna: No, but I have it written downstairs

Messineo: point of info there is a slip of paper with that info.

MacKinnon: Even though he is the only one running, he still has to win so if you want him to win write him down.

Messineo: What is your stance on 4 credit classes and making more?

Cologna: Currently a few are being implemented poorly and should have our opinions. It could be beneficial but the university as a whole would have to represent it. College of arts and sciences has a lot of gen eds and 4 credits so it could mess up schedule.

Cologna wins!

Campus Affairs:

Rodrigues: 2nd Holzman because he has done a lot for campus affairs. Some projects getting started. Him being chair, he could take what he has done and bring it further. He is really passionate.

Coates: Nominated because he has been on Senate longer than me, one of first people I talked to and gave me lots of info. So qualified, very diligent and honest and works hard for everybody. Passion that I wish I could see in everybody. Likes a challenge as well. Works hard in his major and Senate. Involved in projects like Ellery and stuff.

Holzman: Thank you. Best I can do is tell my agenda for upcoming year if I get the position. Ellery pond project. Talked to lots of people. Met with master architect about what it would take to get it done and organizations that would donate time. Secure some funding. 2nd thing is take the whole lighting walk up a notch and create a campus problems board. Circle and know what is not working when I get complaints. Whether it is blue lights, pot holes, drainage. Make sure, not only are blue lights on but function properly. Additionally physical improvement storm drains are important. Flooding and drain pipes get smaller down the system, poor design. RIPTA is a big thing. Never been working with them in past but will work with them in future to improve service. Parking working for 1/2 year permit option and carpooling lot all the time to promote

students carpooling. Decrease congestion and decrease pollution. Dining complaints. Prices go up about 10% increase. A lot of HRL complaints for housing next year. Approach not just reactively but proactively. Getting done what needs to get done.

B Stewart: 2nd Sinapi because since on Senate he generally cares about what he is doing. Diverse opinion. Not always the popular one but that is good. Challenge others and get opinions rolling.

Cologna: Nominated because past year has been effective as campus affairs. Engages with faculty, which Senate should do. Not afraid to disagree. That's important.

Sinapi: I am taking easy classes next year so I will have time for this position. Have shown what I've done and am working on currently. Carpooling is being worked on currently to establish for the Fall. Dredging has priority. Working on cheaper parking permits and 1 semester option. Over 700 responses on survey. Very good friendship (working relationship) with administration now. Some people think I come off as cold but administration doesn't feel that way. Next year I won't be like that, the reason why will make you laugh. Making dining cheaper or taking food out of halls. Other universities have better for cheaper. I have done a lot of stuff on paper you don't know about that I went out and talked to people about. If I hadn't done that we wouldn't have that stuff that affects students. RIPTA got and will get a lot done. They used to not want to deal with us, now work hand in hand. Didn't expect such teamwork. Working with university and students. Willing to go further now. I like to think I did good job. Hope this paper speaks more than words. Intend to keep doing what I do.

MacKinnon: What is the plan to deal with lackluster snow and ice removal effort?

Sinapi: It fails and we are encouraging lands and ground to pick up snow, but still been lackluster. They are removing road next to union where a lot of snow and ice builds up. It will be walking only. Other than that expect to do work with DOC, more media blitz on safety and lighting. Drastic improve and no a lot broken bones. Work with administration best possible.

Holzman: Many people say Barlow is snowed in and expect us to get to class. Can call lands and grounds and say these are the places snow removal is unacceptable. See what places consistent issue and work with lands and grounds to fix future problems.

Coates: Plans for improving campus security?

Holzman: Working on blue lights. Haven't been in touch with safety and risk management. Can do a lot to raise awareness to keep selves safe, stay in well-lit areas, identify arising issues. Teach students to recognize what can happen.

Sinapi: Main thing is blue lights after the safety and lighting walk, unfortunate delay, before they were aware winter break despite telling all positions that needed to know everyone was aware. 1 or 2 issues were fixed but said we can't fix the rest till late summer. People come here for guaranteed safety. So many things are wrong, issue ignored and lie about ways of fixing. Want to work with new DOC for media blitz. Public needs to know it's a huge issue. There is a graffiti issue, helping to get awareness out. Evacuation plan for campus is very hard to find. Making simple version. Right now it's spread out everywhere. Simple plan so everybody is aware. Some blue lights have red lights on top for bomb scares. Shout directions through intercom. Added a few lights at Peckham Farm and visitor center. Working on it.

Messineo: Disabled for a day event and speaking to people there, told me about survey where URI only made 30 or 40 of 100 listed criteria for handicap accessible. How will you fix that?

Sinapi: We are aware. Help to provide buses and equipment to help. Establish new traffic pattern will help disabled students. Snow doesn't help them. Because they have to take other side of campus, no longer be issue. Change direction of bus to make it safer for walking students.

Holzman: Difficult side to get on because can't just have them do it there is other financial hurdles. Really need to identify building accessibility hill is own problem in your in wheelchair. We can work with disability service, find alternative solutions.

Messineo: Both more than qualified and have experience in campus affairs. Close election. Encourage Senate to think about it and ask questions and not to disqualify either candidate. Talk to them outside Senate meetings. They would talk with you. Don't count either out they both do a lot of work outside meeting to help improve campus.

Caisse: When you listen to Sinapi he occasionally is blunt in his speech but when talked about this position, the way he talked changed. Shows how much he cares about the position, he is passionate. He is aggressive but civil. He takes things seriously. I've been on his committee he is respectful and knows how to listen. He is good at what he does. We should let him finish.

Cologna: As RA I heard large amount of housing complaints that HRL tries to implement. Glad Holzman wants to take proactive approach, any idea?

Holzman: Never lived in dorms didn't ever deal with it, didn't talk to them yet,

Sinapi: HRL we were made aware way to late. Safely say HRL dragged free on that. Weren't made aware an issue until way too late. Hopefully we can change how it works for following Fall.

Clarke: Challenge to run against somebody already in position. So I admire Jacob. I have seen him do so much. Surprised he hasn't run for exec sooner. He'll devote more time. Encourage you to vote for Jacob, he has already done a lot and will do more.

Coates: Sorry to interrupt debate I have to go live on the radio. Remind Senate I nominated Holzman and firmly stand behind him.

Renzi: How will busy schedule affect position?

Holzman: I am busy, it is part of reason I gave up finance nomination that I've been wanting to do. Campus I can make time for, it doesn't have required time commitment. It's more flexible. I can sit with administrators and staff to fix problems. I'm almost always in office during free time to deal with business.

Sinapi: first time I can say this, next year will be easy. I planned on graduating I did everything I need to do. I'm taking freshman and sophomore classes. Time wise I have nothing but time. I've been busier in past. Large time commitment you need to have meetings. If I didn't have time I couldn't do it. I had a 3-hour meeting with RIPTA and other people. You can contact me with problems, I can help. Rely on complaints etc. A lot of good info in survey!

Renzi: Really split between both candidates, Holzman is knowledgeable but I've known Sinapi for years and if he says it will get done it will.

Holden: yield time to Sharkey

Sharkey: For both candidates: Holzman's major and minor and how long have you been here?

Holzman: Ocean Engineering major, Marine Affairs minor. 4th year heading into 5th year then we'll see.

Sinapi: Poli Sci, Sociology and Psyc major. 3rd year here.

Sharkey: 3 years 3 majors, 5 years 1 major. Sinapi moves at a rate of 4 times faster, reflection of his work ethic. Leadership is unparalleled. He best delegates and motivates. Had most number of committee members with best attendance rate. Recruited a lot of people to Senate. If Sinapi is not reelected to position, he vacated his spot he won previously. Holzman has secure seat already.

Holzman: Accreditation requirements for engineering are far different.

Sinapi: I vacated my seat for one of you by the way.

Rodrigues: Will there be 2 safety and lighting walks, Fall and Spring?

Sinapi: yes, plethora?

Holzman: As many as necessary.

Berger: What are your opinions on finding out who is destroying security cameras?

Holzman: Have to talk to committee because on the fence, issue of privacy and liberty. Again never lived in dorms haven't been active member but read police reports. Bring to my committee if it was popular I would pursue with HRL.

Sinapi: Camera in use are blurred over window or door. Can look in hallways but not students room, that is a privacy thing. In hallways as long as it blurs, not bathrooms obviously. That point can look at alternative solutions. Indestructible would be good. Minority of students do these things but everybody suffers.

Clarke: We would be lucky to have either candidate, both driven, hardworking. Both qualified.

Sinapi Wins!

Cultural Affairs:

Rodrigues: Ferreira because she was interested and has good ideas and has passion.

Ferreira: Thank you Jorge. Been on cultural since I started on Senate. I want to get more involved and have qualifications. Big part of cultural chair is working with groups. Looking into talking to Davis to know his ideas and try and help him. I feel qualified because I've been working on Rammies. Transition from Gianna to me wouldn't be too bad. I'm committed and certain I can do a great job.

Messineo: Jorge has a personality and general heir that is infectious. He is always smiling and playing bananagrams. Known him working on SOARC and I think he could help a lot. Has knowledge of people in charge of groups. In a position like this they work with groups and his attitude and spirit and positivity would help in that position. More than qualified and happy to do the position so I support him.

MacKinnon: Nominated for same reason Messineo said. In my understanding it encourages student groups to work together. He in my opinion has gotten other senators to work together in projects and making fun of him. It would be a big quality in cultural. He has passion, drive and will to get it done. He is just Jorge.

Rodrigues: Thank you. For new senators you know me from last week and my qualifications. I've helped start a colony I was vice president. I helped recruit new people in my fraternity. Cultural has some say how to improve and I would be able to help. Previous chair wanted multicultural round table. I would like to do that. So groups work together and know other things. Have more students come to events. Promotes first night for Student Senate. Have been attending cultural affairs for a while. Rammies is huge and I would continue it. Like to get student input and outside of Senate as well. Take what Gianna has done and bring it further. Passion is overall theme and I am qualified with that.

Clarke: Inspired by what Davis said at meeting last week. Cultural is about creating atmosphere. He has experience and knowledge. He is a leadership minor, civic engagement leader, leadership institute, jobs on campus.

Timas: Met him a long time ago and he throws a lot of cultural events. Keeps campus diverse has visions and understands diversity. Determined and believes in self. Believe in him as friend, student, and Student Senate.

Clarke (as him): In years here saw cultural is not how should be. Why only come together for significant events? We should always have cultural. America is based on different cultures. Not afraid to approach people in other organizations. Differences are good. Passion, determination, motivation. "Man of value not of success"

Sinapi: Talked to Davis and he has been running events and bringing people together. Ran the only good 500 Family event. He got it done. He did what 500 Family was supposed to do. It's a fact, not opinion. Involved in many organizations, good speaker, knows what he is talking about. Numerous ideas that blew me away. Echoes Dooley's vision on campus, extending diversity. First person I met not already on Senate who actually read and understood bylaws before he came to this room.

Juhr: Have known Ferreira since 5th grade, strong willed, determined, smart, knows how to get job done, planned events in high school. She would be good candidate for position and put her all in.

Messineo: From time on SOARC, seen rivalry from multicultural groups, instead of working together, try to outdo each other, how would you change that attitude? How would you work with groups to plan events with other things incorporated?

Ferreira: Meet with group, if there is a conflict, try to make resolution. Cultural appreciation fair is just getting started but going to try to encompass more groups. Get them to work together.

Rodrigues: Certain amount of groups putting on events. Have presidents and treasurers and exec come together so they can all contribute to it. Lack of communication is what is causing competing. Round table idea, if event and things said there are organized, organizations will come together. Cultural appreciation fair dealt with that issue and helped address competitiveness. Having this year after year helps groups work together.

Bruce: Questions shouldn't go to candidates that are not there.

Coates: Prata started elevating last year, multicultural liaison. It is less important about Senate experience. Rather big ideas. That goes beyond this chamber and the office. Don't be afraid if a candidate has never been on Senate. Listen to what everyone has to say. This is one position more about vision less about experience.

Rosati: last week his group was passed, what would happen if he became cultural chair?

Clarke: C.L.A.S.S is leadership development cultural is encompassing obviously he'll probably work with C.L.A.S.S as well.

K Stewart: A lot of contingency goes to multicultural, how would you have multicultural go to and work with non multicultural groups?

Rodrigues: It has been done before 500 Family with IFC/Panhel and Up Till Dawn with multicultural organizations. Should work with non-multicultural groups and get different perspective.

Ferreira: Outside finding other groups, maybe not necessarily multicultural is good.

Sinapi: Coates mentioned vision, after speaking with Davis clear his vision has no bounds. He plans on doing great things but is worried about what happens after. He wants what he does to last. He is here to make things the way it should be and a place it hasn't been in a long time.

Davis Wins!

External Affairs:

Clarke: Nominated, I've been training him for months asked him to run I know he can do it, suited for role, ready to take over and he will. Can't say enough about him but he is the only person on the list.

B Stewart: 3rd year on Senate, always on external, experienced bad chairman and great chairwoman, great things that go on. As Coates said lobbying is big. Calling schools this week hopefully progress. External never did it but I'd be dedicated and learn about it. Hopefully works out. Orange sticker appeal and putting on more off campus events around the community. In the past sticker has been used as excuse to do no events. Suitable for external, makes people know we care about them too. Also external, I can be a good face for students. I feel I'm approachable and have a positive attitude and outlook which will help.

Messineo: Somebody who sat in on external, wasn't expecting a lot I was amazed. Smallest committee but gets a lot stuff done and job is tougher than you would think. Deal with people with jobs in Narragansset and aren't responsive. Big job very important. From my time on external Bobby Stewart is more than qualified, my support.

Rosati: Relation with town of Narragansset?

B Stewart: Coalition meetings, more events, let them know who I am, show them who we are, give more positive outlook with community. They've been looking more positively since Amanda and I want to continue it.

MacKinnon: He is known as Robert Stewart in Narragansset instead of Bobby so shows he is professional. Known him for years, had exec positions in fraternity. He could translate to external very well.

Stewart Wins!

Elections for Elections Committee

Katherine Holland
 Bill MacKinnon
 Gianna Prata
 Tyler Curry
 Samantha Pezza
 Jorge Rodrigues
 Stephanie Segal

Curry: Respectfully decline nomination.

Messineo: Nominate Rossi

Cologna 2nd

Stewart: Who can be on elections?

Prata: Not a chair, not on Rules & Ethics

Messineo: Pick which one you want

Coates: Nominate Holden.

Stewart 2nd

Clarke: Nominate Timas
Messineo 2nd
Sinapi: Switch order of Rules & Ethics, then elections
Prata: Nominations for both first then.
Messineo: Motion to close nominations and move to Rules & Ethics
Holzman 2nd
Rodrigues: Nominate Coates
Coates: decline
Rodrigues: Nominate Messineo
Stewart 2nd
K Stewart: nominate Berger
Rodrigues 2nd
Timas: Respectfully decline
Messineo: Holland declined via text
Coates: Nominate Javett
Javett: Decline

Stewart: Motion to unfinished business
Messineo 2nd

Elections for Rules & Ethics

Jorge Rodrigues
 Ryann Rossi
 Kristin Stewart
 Chris Caisse
 Tanya Jones
 Jacob Holzman
 Chrissy Juhr
 Chris Knight

Rules & Ethics

Caisse: Nominate Cologne
Prata: Can't, he is a chair.
Coates: Jorge has been around for a long time. I know he would be fair, that's why I nominated.
Rodrigues: Level headed, going into law so it would be great for me, I know what ethics is. I hope you get to see my views.
Rossi: I was on Rules & Ethics since beginning of semester we didn't do much, some stuff but I'd like to continue. Enjoyed it and learned a lot about bylaws.
K Stewart: Very level headed, I have a lot of time. I know how things need to be done.
Holzman: Nominated Caisse because I worked with him on SR&R and he stands up for what he believes in and that is how Senate should operate. In his short time at URI he earned a lot of respect from me.
Caisse: Bedard appointed me to Rules & Ethics 4 weeks ago, but I didn't get to see a lot but I'd like to.
Clarke: Nominated Jones, been on my committee all year she talks a lot in committee and I think she would do well. Tried to convince her something once but she stood up and had opinion.
Jones: I have been on external and looking for more opportunities to get involved. Have opinions but don't let them get in the way, try to be fair and see what Rules & Ethics is.

Messineo: Nominated Holzman, he is been on longer than I and that's a long time. Haven't seen a lot of cases but when we do Holzman knows a lot. Has been the guy I turned to and I think he would be great to help out with younger senators telling them the bylaws and use precedent in the past. Holzman has been there for a lot of issues and can use his experience.

Holzman: Been here a while, look at letter of law what it says word for word. I also consider the content of those words. Judge the impact decisions will have. Experienced it, run the meetings if you will.

Coates: Nominated Juhr, she has been here a while and is ready to be more involved. Good in committee and I think she is level headed, and can make hard decisions.

Juhr: Good listener and hear both sides, see multiple viewpoints, I'm pretty stubborn.

MacKinnon: Nominated Knight because I never saw emotion from him since I've known him. He can separate self from situation.

Mackinnon: Definition of ethics?

Rodrigues: What you believe is the right thing in society. Look at issue and say what is right/wrong make decision that's fair.

Rossi: doing what is morally right and the end decision is just and fair to both parties.

K Stewart: The best answer that helps control the problem compare good/bad and right/wrong.

Caisse: Moral standings from balance of situation.

Jones: Best for situation and fair regardless of emotions/personal beliefs.

Holzman: How you judge right and wrong, right is that that benefits most people but also if everybody worked that way move towards better society.

Juhr: Average of how you combine own beliefs with viewpoint of community to solve situation

MacKinnon: Strict or loose interpretation of bylaws?

Juhr: Strict approach, needs some space leeway, between right and wrong mostly the bylaws are there for a reason.

Holzman: More strict, depends on case though and precedent.

Jones: Agree, look at bylaws, more strict but also being thoughtful.

Caisse: Loose interpretation, every situation is different and bylaws need to be adapted.

K Stewart: Moderate approach, take in both sides and compare, I forgot the rest I was going to say.

Rossi: From experience I took a more strict approach and I would continue because you need to follow bylaws, its Senate and they apply to everyone, shouldn't usually have special cases.

Rodrigues: More strict, case-by-case in terms of precedent. A lot of people don't follow it and it should be followed more. They are bylaws are for a reason.

Coates: Holzman is like an anchor, knows bylaws better than I do. Overall most levelheaded person I know. Ryann is great she says things on SR&R, great common sense. Chris Caisse I was going to nominate you but you would be extremely valuable external asset. Nominated Jorge because he's Jorge. Those are my people.

B Stewart: Only positive aspect of Holzman not getting chairman is he is best for position. Good to give some newer people a shot. Jones would be a perfect candidate too, I witness her opinions, valuable asset.

Messineo: If you put Holzman on there with 4 new people, they will come out 4 smartest people ever, like me? They thought I was a nice guy at the time. Can't make everybody happy and Holzman will tell you why to make people happy or not by using bylaws. And can prove it with the bylaws. Holzman gets my support. Whoever else gets on will get one hell of an education.

MacKinnon: Asked questions in honor of Petit who couldn't make it. During my answers for 2nd one mix of strict and loose are good to show all areas are considered, keep in mind when voting.

Rules & Ethics winners

Holzman, Caisse, K Stewart, Rossi, Jones!

Holzman: Motion to elections committee
Messineo 2nd

Elections Committee

MacKinnon: My job now is busy work and so are elections so I'll probably be good.

MacKinnon: nominated Prata because it is a Senate custom.

Prata: It is tradition that Vice President and DOC end up on elections committee.

Clarke: Nominated Pezza, it is tradition and also makes sense, promoting election, sending things out, get promotions out and know what is going on.

Pezza: Pretty much doing that now, I need to learn more about Senate

Messineo: Nominated Rodrigues, Jorge is in 3 elections tonight, everything is said, he's Jorge.

Rodrigues: Sick of my voice, already on elections committee, and I can help out as much as I can.

B Stewart: Would do a great job. Secretary is usually on it. You don't need anything special for it, and she would be perfect.

Segal: I like to think I'm a fair person. I spend a lot of time in the office anyway and probably have more office hours than everybody and I think I could do a good job.

Coates: Nominated Rossi because she does a good job at all tasks assigned, why not? Driven and motivated, she'll do a good job.

Rossi: It would be a good learning experience and I'd like to do it.

Coates: Nominated Holden, good to get young people on special committees and I know he is interested in being more engaged in Senate activity. Good short-term assignment.

Holden: Have fraternity chair position, essential tool for position. Student body should have a voice; we need to get more people in student body voting.

Rodrigues: He is going to be SOARC chair and has done a lot of work there and would do well on elections. Encourage voting.

Messineo: Served on 2 elections committees, I know what it is to be up real late, I'm good at documents on computers, flyers, work here and can hang stuff up. A very steady left hand, I can highlight straight.

K Stewart: Good way to getting involved on Senate and good for the new.

Berger: Want to learn more about Senate, love being busy and wanted to serve on Senate.

Sinapi: Vote Holden because he has leadership skills and will make sure good things happen

Coates: Remind everyone this is in DOC job description so it's way too much sense to be on committee and increase job responsibilities of vice pres to include this.

B Stewart: When I said doesn't take anything special I meant Steph would be good and was over qualified. Steve was on 2 times and wouldn't vote for him, but would vote Berger and Holden.

Clarke: I'd pick Prata, Pezza, Segal, Rodrigues.

Sellon: Holden is strong at ZBT chair position and good candidate for this.

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

K. NEW BUSINESS:

L. GENERAL DISCUSSION AND OPEN FORUM:

Rodrigues: Senate tradition to go to Applebees, so after go to know other senators.

Maureen: First night forms come to student involvement office, commencement may 23rd \$45 stipend 9:45-2.

Rosati: When?

Maureen: Sunday may 23rd

Officer: Senior blues and cues

Coates: Jorge mention Applebees, rides in Senate office, radio interview went well invited me back, new exec got to chat, senators good job, 5 min meeting remember.

Liaisons are important if you lost an election.

Sinapi: Sellon's birthday, embarrass him

Messineo: Exec after meeting?

Coates: Email

Cologna: College reps, get your report with dean in to me and Coates.

Clarke: Rammies ballots

Prata: Waivers for retreat are in office, only real excuses.

K Stewart: Come after URI 101?

Prata: I'll find out with SOLC.

Rodrigues: 0 for 2 so if I lose another it hurts. JUST SAYING!

B Stewart: Clarke is leaving, after 3 years ☹

Elections Committee Winners:

Segal, Pezza, Prata, Rodrigues, Holden

Rodrigues: Motion to adjourn

Cologna 2nd

N. ADJOURNMENT:

AYE: Berger, Burgess, Caisse, Centracchio, Curry, Dlhopsky, Farrow, Ferreira, Harrington, Holden, Javett, Jones, Juhr, Messineo, Navilliat, Passa, Renzi, Rodrigues, Rosati, Rossi, Sellon, Sinapi, Stewart, Stewart, Timas

NAY: Boiteau, Cologna, Holzman

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

9:33 pm