

A. CALL TO ORDER:

B. ROLL CALL:

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

D. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

E. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

F. PUBLIC FORUM:

Bruce Hamilton – Unicef

Vice President Bedard and Treasurer Shah

G. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

- FINANCE COMMITTEE:

SS-08/09-51 – TAX GRANT REQUEST FOR STUDENT SENATE

Whereas, Student Senate funded the creation of the URI Challenge Course in 2000, and

Whereas, the purpose of the course was to benefit the student body and be at no cost to Student Senate groups, and

Whereas, the usage of the course has increased by hundreds each year and this demand is expected to continue to increase, and

Whereas, there is a request to expand upon the URI Challenge Course to allow for opportunities for URI students to fulfill the increased demand, 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 \$25,000 from our Activities Tax to the Student Senate’s budget and therefore be it also,

Resolved, that the URI Challenge Course be available free of charge to all URI student recognized groups.

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| SPONSOR: | Finance Committee |
| BILL HANDLER: | Chairman Petit |
| DATE: | Wednesday, January 21 st , 2009 |
| RECOMMENDATION: | Passage (4-0-0) |
| EXPIRATION DATE: | Upon Dispensation |
| ACTION: | Vote Tonight |

- STUDENT ORGANIZATION ADVISORY AND REVIEW COMMITTEE (SOARC):

SS-08/09-52 Bill Calling for the Recognition of the URI Field Hockey Club at Level 3

Whereas, the URI Field Hockey Club will provide an outlet to practice, play and compete in the Northeast Division on a field hockey team, and

Whereas, the URI Field Hockey Club meets the requirements for recognition at level 3, and

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

Resolved that the URI Student Senate recognizes the URI Field Hockey Club.

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| SPONSOR: | SOARC |
| BILL HANDLER: | Chairwoman Clarke |
| DATE: | Wednesday, January 21, 2009 |
| RECOMMENDATION: | Passage (8-0-1) |
| EXPIRATION: | Valid Until Next Re-Recognition |
| ACTION: | Vote Tonight |

SS-08/09-53 Bill Calling for the Recognition of the Human Development and Family Studies Club (HDF Club) at Level 4

Whereas, the HDF Club will provide professional development support, social networking for students and provide opportunities for students interested in HDF to support each other academically, and

Whereas, the HDF Club meets the requirements for recognition at level 4, and

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

Resolved that the URI Student Senate recognizes the HDF Club.

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| SPONSOR: | SOARC |
| BILL HANDLER: | Chairwoman Clarke |
| DATE: | Wednesday, January 21, 2009 |
| RECOMMENDATION: | Passage (9-0-0) |
| EXPIRATION: | Valid Until Next Re-Recognition |
| ACTION: | Vote Tonight |

SS-08/09-54 Bill Calling for the Recognition of the URI Car Club at Level 3

Whereas, the URI Car Club will unite car enthusiasts within the URI community through weekly meetings to discuss car appreciation and plan as well as host car shows, and

Whereas, the URI Car Club meets the requirements for recognition at level 3, and

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

Resolved that the URI Student Senate recognizes the URI Car Club.

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| SPONSOR: | SOARC |
| BILL HANDLER: | Chairwoman Clarke |
| DATE: | Wednesday, January 21, 2009 |
| RECOMMENDATION: | Passage (9-0-0) |
| EXPIRATION: | Valid Until Next Re-Recognition |
| ACTION: | Vote Tonight |

- **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:**
- **EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:**
- **CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:**
- **CAMPUS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:**
- **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:**

SS-08/09-57 CO-SPONSORSHIP REQUEST FOR 500 FAMILY

Whereas, Student Senate is a Senate recognized organization, and

Whereas, Student Senate would like to co-sponsor an event with 500 Family, and

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

Whereas, Student Senate would like to transfer these funds from their co-sponsorship line of their budget, 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 approve the transfer of \$2,000 from cat.# 127 (Co-sponsorship) of Student Senate's budget to the 500 Family.

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| SPONSOR: | Executive Committee |
| BILL HANDLER: | Thomas Ahrens |
| DATE: | Wednesday, January 21, 2009 |
| RECOMMENDATION: | Passage (- -) |

EXPIRATION DATE: Upon Dispensation
ACTION: Vote next week

- a. *Director of Communications-*
- b. *Secretary-*
- c. *Treasurer-*
- d. *Vice President-*
- f. *President-*

- RULES AND ETHICS:

H. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

- Bylaws Committee
- Elections Committee

I. SPECIAL ORDERS:

Elections for Rules & Ethics Committee

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

K. NEW BUSINESS:

SS-08/09-56 – BILL CALLING FOR THE PRIMARY ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE STUDENT BODY AND ELECTION OF ACADEMIC COLLEGE AND AT-LARGE SEATS FOR THE 2009-2010 LEGISLATIVE TERM

Whereas, the URI Student Senate is required to hold annual elections during the spring semester to fill all seats, and

Whereas, the Senate has restrictions on when the elections may be held due to scheduling and the requirements of the bylaws, therefore be it

Resolved, that an election shall be held according to the following schedule:

- Declaration Period: Wednesday, 1/28/09 @ 8:30am to Friday, 2/6/09 @ 2pm
- Polls Open: Tuesday, 2/10/09 9am to 5pm
- Polls Open: Wednesday, 2/11/09 9am to 5pm

and be it further

Resolved, that the following seats will be put up for election:

- President/Vice President, the top two candidate sets to run off in a final election
- One (1) seat for the College of Arts and Sciences
- One (1) seat for the College of Pharmacy
- One (1) seat for the College of Engineering
- One (1) seat for the College of Nursing
- One (1) seat for the College of Business
- One (1) seat for the College of Human Sciences and Services
- One (1) seat for the College of Environmental and Life Sciences
- One (1) seat for University College
- Twelve (12) seats At-Large Representative

and be it finally

Resolved, that the elections shall conclude upon validation of the results by legislation.

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| SPONSOR: | Elections Committee |
| BILL HANDLER: | Chairwoman Amanda LaRocca |
| DATE: | Wednesday, January 21, 2009 |
| RECOMMENDATION: | Passage (- -) |
| EXPIRATION DATE: | Upon Validation |
| ACTION: | Vote Next Week (Immediate Consideration Requested) |

L. GENERAL DISCUSSION AND OPEN FORUM:

M. ROLL CALL: AYE:

N. ADJOURNMENT: