

A. CALL TO ORDER: 6:35 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL: Bedard, Boiteau, Caisse, Clarke, Coates, Cologna, Einhorn, Elliott, Espinal, Farrow, Ferreira, Holden, Holland, Jones, Juhr, MacKinnon, Messineo, O’Loughlin, Petit, Prata, Rodrigues, Rossi, Segal, Shah, Sharkey, Simon, Sinapi, Stewart (K), Timas, Tondreau

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Bedard- Motion to add appointment of UC liaison to special orders

Coates- Motion to add bill SS-09/10-66 gmail bill 3-0-1, also add the campus affairs bill 6-0-0

Agenda Passes

D. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: vote- passed

E. ANNOUNCEMENTS: **Coates-** motion for pledge, O’Loughlin seconds

F. PUBLIC FORUM:

G. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

- **FINANCE COMMITTEE:**

SS-09/10-55– CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR HILLEL

Whereas, Hillel, is a Senate recognized organization, and

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

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

Whereas, Hillel 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 \$1,500.00 from our Programming Contingency to the Category #130 (Programming) line in the budget of Hillel.

SPONSOR:	Finance Committee
BILL HANDLER:	Chairman Petit
DATE:	Wednesday, February 10, 2010
RECOMMENDATION:	Passage (6-0-1)
EXPIRATION DATE:	Upon Dispensation
ACTION:	Vote Tonight

Petit- Hillel

Rep- March 5-7th Hillel dedication ceremony for brand new building on campus, bring a comedian and inviting the community, free! Extend the invitation to anyone who would like to taste the Jewish culture

vote- passes

Abstain-Einhorn

SS-09/10-56 CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR OUTING CLUB

Whereas, Outing is a Senate recognized organization, and

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

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

Whereas, Outing 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 \$1,200.00 from our Programming Contingency to the Category #130 (Programming) line in the budget of Outing Club.

SPONSOR:	Finance Committee
BILL HANDLER:	Chairman Petit
DATE:	Wednesday, February 10, 2010

RECOMMENDATION: Passage (4-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE: Upon Dispensation
ACTION: Vote Tonight

Petit-outing club

Outing-asking for a contingency to buy 120 rock passes 1200.00, we've been doing this for forever

Clarke-budgeted item

Petit- we don't budget for this ever!!

Vote-passes

Abstain- Cologne

Petit-Don't budget because of money to build rock gym

SS-09/10-59 – CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR STUDENT SENATE

Whereas, Senate is a Senate recognized organization, and

Whereas, Senate would like to purchases busses to provide transportation to students, and

Whereas, it is within their mission statement to do so, 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 \$1,584.00 from our Travel Contingency to the Category #700 (Travel) line in the budget of Senate.

SPONSOR: Finance Committee
BILL HANDLER: Chairman Petit
DATE: Wednesday, February 10, 2010
RECOMMENDATION: Passage (5-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE: Upon Dispensation
ACTION: Vote Next week (Immediate Consideration)

Petit- Purchase buses to go up to u-mass, union box office tickets, they are currently

On sale, cost of what umass is charging for the tickets the bus will be paid by senate

Sinapi- Motion to immediately considered for senate

Petit-first time this semester, Kim didn't see it in her email

Vote-passes

SS-09/10-60 CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR SAWA

Whereas, SAWA is a Senate recognized organization, and

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

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

Whereas, SAWA 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 \$6,257.00 from our Programming Contingency to the Category #130 (Programming) line in the budget of SAWA.

SPONSOR: Finance Committee
BILL HANDLER: Chairman Petit
DATE: Wednesday, February 10, 2010
RECOMMENDATION: Passage (5-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE: Upon Dispensation
ACTION: Vote Next Week (Immediate Consideration)

Petit-immediate consideration, Holland seconds

Rep- 4th annual hair show extravaganza, showcase on hair styling, asking money to help pay for the actor coming from Africa, dj, and other expenses

Holland-when is the hair show

Rep-Thursday the 18th

Sharkey-money being spent, how

Rep-techpro, dj, makeup artist, costumes

Cologna-how many people are you anticipating

Rep-500 tickets, expect to sell more than that

Sharkey-admission at the door

Rep-URI 7, non uri 10, vip is 20

Petit-sold out year after year, have to pay back contingency in order to donate to the charity

Rep-don't worry you will get your money back

Prata-really successful, yet to have an unsuccessful event

Sharkey-just sawa?

Rep-tried to cosponsor but it didn't work in the past, but we will incorporate students from NEU, different bands and stuff.

Vote-passes

Petit-other news, 56.25 for ema to repair broken disk board thing and we gave 125 to prs to attend regional conference, did first round budgets

SS-09/10-61 CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR WILDLIFE SOCIETY

Whereas, Wildlife is a Senate recognized organization, and

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

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

Whereas, Wildlife 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 \$600.00 from our Programming Contingency to the Category #130 (Programming) line in the budget of Wildlife.

SPONSOR:	Finance Committee
BILL HANDLER:	Chairman Petit
DATE:	Wednesday, February 10, 2010
RECOMMENDATION:	Passage (6-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE:	Upon Dispensation
ACTION:	Vote Next Week

SS-09/10-62 CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR EXPOSURE

Whereas, Exposure is a Senate recognized organization, and

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

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

Whereas, Exposure 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 \$2,200.00 from our Programming Contingency to the Category #130 (Programming) line in the budget of Exposure.

SPONSOR:	Finance Committee
BILL HANDLER:	Chairman Petit
DATE:	Wednesday, February 10, 2010
RECOMMENDATION:	Passage (7-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE:	Upon Dispensation
ACTION:	Vote Next Week

SS-09/10-63 – CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR ASIAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Whereas, ASA is a Senate recognized organization, and
Whereas, ASA would like to purchase busses to provide transportation to students, and
Whereas, it is within their mission statement to do so, 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 \$1,228.68 from our Travel Contingency to the Category #700 (Travel) line in the budget of ASA.

SPONSOR: Finance Committee
BILL HANDLER: Chairman Petit
DATE: Wednesday, February 10, 2010
RECOMMENDATION: Passage (5-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE: Upon Dispensation
ACTION: Vote Next week

- STUDENT ORGANIZATION ADVISORY AND REVIEW COMMITTEE (SOARC):

SS-09/10-57 – Bill Calling for the Recognition of Mini Baja Club at Category R

Whereas, Mini Baja Club will create a Mini Baja style amphibious automobile in order to compete in various competitions.
Whereas, Mini Baja Club 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 Mini Baja Club.

SPONSOR: SOARC
BILL HANDLER: Chairwoman Holland
DATE: Wednesday, February 10, 2010
RECOMMENDATION: Passage (6-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE: Valid Until Next Re-recognition
ACTION: Vote Tonight

Holland-one bill mini baja club
Rep-we are a group that likes off road vehicles, a bunch of teams from around the world that build and design their own vehicles, in the process of building right now, not bad a one seater car...idk, nice snow day today, we were in the shop all day
Holland-put our support behind a group that puts support behind intellectual groups
Coates-in the direction towards club sports,
Holland-like robotics, build a type of vehicle that does what it wants to do
Vote-passes
Holland-bill on the floor, ask questions

SS-09/10-64 – Bill Calling for the Recognition of Minority Association for Premedical Students at Category A

Whereas, Minority Association for Premedical Students will provide premedical and pre-health students from under-represented populations the necessary resources and skills in order to matriculate into graduate programs.
Whereas, Minority Association for Premedical Students meets the requirements for recognition at category A, and
Whereas, it is custom of the Student Senate to do so, therefore be it
Resolved, that the Student Senate recognizes Minority Association for Premedical Students.

SPONSOR: SOARC
 BILL HANDLER: Chairwoman Holland
 DATE: Wednesday, February 10, 2010
 RECOMMENDATION: Passage (5-1-0)
 EXPIRATION DATE: Valid Until Next Re-recognition
 ACTION: Vote Next Week

- ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

SS-09/10-66 – BILL CALLING FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND TO ADOPT GMAIL

Whereas, the URI webmail system is an archaic email system, and
Whereas, webmail creates many problems and challenges for students, and
Whereas, the webmail system does not meet the needs of students, and
Whereas, many students already utilize alternative email providers, and
Whereas, email is a vital link of communication between the university, faculty, administrators and students, and
Whereas, the use of Google Mail has clear benefits by increasing functionality, usage, and storage space, and
Whereas, the ability to retain one’s email after graduation allows students to remain connected as alumni, and therefore be it
Resolved, that the Student Senate urges The University to adopt GMAIL as the primary provider of emailing services for students, and be it further
Resolved, that the Student Senate support the information technology services department effort to provide reliable email service for students through GMAIL.

SPONSOR: Academic Affairs Committee
 BILL HANDLER: Chairman Coates
 DATE: Wednesday, February 10th, 2009
 RECOMMENDATION: Passage (- -)
 EXPIRATION DATE: Perpetual
 ACTION: Vote Next Week

Coates- bill next week, read it that’s it

- EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

Clarke- same things as last week, that’s it

- CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

Prata- rammies and candlelight vigil, people on exec are working on this

- CAMPUS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

Sinapi- Charles Hall, is rescheduling, bill on the floor for next week, meeting with Fern Winemann and Robert Verco, campus security, bill on the floor next week to get the waste removed

Coates-can you let the whole senate know when charles hall is coming

Sinapi- I sent it on the listserv, check your email

SS-09/10-65--Bill Calling for the Student Senate Opinion on a Single Semester Purchase Option for Parking Permits

Whereas, currently a parking permit can only be purchased on a annual basis, and
Whereas, there is necessity for the option to purchase a URI parking permit on a semester basis,
 and
Whereas, students who transfer in or graduate midyear are forced to purchase a permit for the price of an annual permit, and

Whereas, the Student Senate must act in the manner that will benefit the student body, therefore be it,

Resolved, that the Student Senate supports the option of the purchase a single semester permit.

SPONSOR: Campus Affairs Committee
 BILL HANDLER: Chairman Sinapi
 DATE: Wednesday, February 10, 2010
 RECOMMENDATION: Passage (- -)
 EXPIRATION: Perpetual
 ACTION: Vote Next Week

- EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

- a. *Director of Communications Simon-* newsletter, press release
- b. *Secretary Harrington-* not here
- c. *Treasurer Boiteau-* paying bills, not happy with budget
- d. *Vice President Shah-* assassins, all set, have your targets, starts next week, BUY YOUR GUN!, rules will be next week, keep your gun safe
- e. *President Bedard* - quickly!!!!, next tues feb 16th, big thinkers series for students, renaming this student town hall, requesting that everyone on senate to be there, President Dooley will be there, facebook event tomorrow, add as many as I can, look for the event and rsvp then send the invite back out, Tickets get the tickets from me....basically everyone that usually goes.
Rodrigues-any extra t-shirts?
Bedard- no horehay, selling the t-shirts at the door for 6 dollars

- RULES AND ETHICS: no report

H. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

Elections Committee

SS – 09/10 -58 BILL CALLING FOR THE ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT OF THE STUDENT BODY AND ELECTION OF THE ON-CAMPUS AND OFF-CAMPUS REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE 2010-2011 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 election 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: 2/15/10 – 2/26/10 by noon
 Day 1: 3/3/10 from 9AM – 5PM
 Day 2: 3/4/10 from 9AM – 5PM

and be it further

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

President/Vice President ticket
 11 Off Campus Representatives
 9 On Campus Representatives

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

SPONSOR:	Elections Committee
BILL HANDLER:	Chairman Allen Petit
DATE:	Wednesday, February 10, 2010
RECOMMENDATION:	Passage (4 - 0 - 0)
EXPIRATION DATE:	Upon Validation
ACTION:	Vote Tonight

Petit- opening election for pres/vp and on/off campus reps. pres/vp ticket, college seats still filled, blah, blah, if you don't win this election you can run in the next one. Elections committee meeting next wed at 4:30 in the senate office.

I. SPECIAL ORDERS: **Bedard**- nominate Tonya Jones for UC liaison

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

K. NEW BUSINESS:

L. GENERAL DISCUSSION AND OPEN FORUM: Rodrigues- motion to adjourn, Holden seconds

M. ROLL CALL: AYE: Caisse, Clarke, Coates, Cologna, Einhorn, Elliott, Espinal, Farrow, Ferreira, Holden, Holland, Jones, Juhr, MacKinnon, Messineo, O'Loughlin, Petit, Prata, Rodrigues, Rossi, Segal, Sharkey, Sinapi, Stewart (K), Timas, Tondreau

No Vote: Bedard, Boiteau, Shah, Simon

N. ADJOURNMENT: 7:00 p.m.