

A. CALL TO ORDER: 6:32pm

B. ROLL CALL: Abbe, Adams, Adepoju, Ahrens, Allison, Bedard, Boiteau, Clarke, Doyle, Feinberg, Ginsberg, Gorman, Harrington, Holden, Holland, Jacques, Katsimagles, Klos, LaRocca, Luther, Messineo, O'Brien, Pascoello, Pelletier, Petit, Shah, Sibbald, Simon, Slater, Stewart, Stolow, Sullivan-Bennis, Tremaglio, Yensan

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Clarke strikes immediate consideration for bills SS-08/09-16 and SS-08/09-17

D. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**E. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Klos motions for pledge**

Opposition, vote, pledge

HAPPY BIRTHDAY OFFICER MARK!!!

F. PUBLIC FORUM:

Thorr Bjorn – Athletic Director-

Thank you for the support you have provided our athletic program over the past year. Athletics is going through the first challenges and changes that the university will be facing. We are taking an 800,000 budget cut, decision to drop 3 sports, hoping to answer any questions about that decision, difficult time for our student athletes, very unfortunate time for them. Publicly, I am sorry that they along with coaches and alumns are going through this.

LaRocca- How was it decided which teams would be cut?

Thor- We looked at 20 different scenarios, had a budget number we were trying to reach, need to maintain general equity, it is almost easy to find the numbers if not thinking about the people. Have to look at participation numbers but also scholarship numbers. Football was one that I wanted to address, that would make our program worse off, second best opportunity to gain revenue, we also have certain obligations that turn 800,000 problem into a 3 million dollar problem. We have guarantees that we would be obligated to pay and would have to pay opponents for next year to get out of those games. There were prob. 10 diff sports that we had to look at or consider, had to reach budget number and proportionality numbers, this was the best scenario.

Katsimagles- Can you explain why a horizontal cut would have hurt every program?

Thor- If we cut horizontally, right now without basketball, we don't fund our programs that well, if we look at a 5% cut, if you look at mens basketball which is about a 1.2 million dollar budget, it is a huge cut that would put them in a bad position to try to compete. They bring in the most revenue, if we cut horizontally, all teams hurt. When we took the people out of it, tried to get through successfully with programs that we have.

O'Brien- Right now, we are not funding like our competitors, how are these cuts changing it.

Rep – trying to maintain budgets, bring in about 1.6 million dollars through fundraising and ticket sales, need to bring that up to 3 million instead of waiting for state, we need a program to make ourselves more self sufficient.

Ginsberg- With mens swimming and tennis, how is that going to change women's swimming team?

Thor- I've learned even more over the past 10 days about how swimming really is one big team, psychological it is really going to effect them, they have the same coach. I don't know as much about women's and men's tennis.

LaRocca- What about their scholarships?

Thor- We are going to continue to honor these scholarships, we are also doing that for the incoming students. It is the right thing to do and also legally, it is right.

Leston- In the long-term future, are we going to reinstate these programs?

Thor- 46% female at university right now, trend will bring it to about 60%, need to follow to make it equitable with the numbers. We will need to look at what sports we can bring back. I hope we never need to cut sports again.

Adepoju- Fundraising program, is that established now?

Thor- We just brought our advancement folks down into Mackal, with them day to day, focusing on annual giving, major fundraisers trying to bring in a lot more money. This is what I am spending a lot of my time on now.

Lee- Short term question- what are you doing for the teams that you need to cut, is there anything that you can do to accommodate them, do you foresee any other cuts that we might need to make, what can you do as an athletic department to try to cushion.

Thor- We are continuing scholarships and working with them if they are interested in transferring, we are sending out releases to let them speak to anyone else, we are willing to speak to other schools to try to get them in to compete, we will never be totally self sufficient but we are trying to be more self sufficient, if all of a sudden, we could take care of a 400 or 500,000 cut, we would be in better shape.

Neil Leston – Patrick Killelea Benefit-
Here to talk to you about Sunday's charity event for Patrick Killelea, he was injured on spring break and is now having to learn how to do everyday things again. Helping people that you don't even know is important because this is your URI family, this is a charity event, movie, speakers, food, going to have a silent auction for Akon tickets, tanning packages, movie tickets. Pat will be attending the event, Tom, Dave, Fran Cohen, I have over 100 confirmed students. Passing around invitation. I'd really appreciate if you can come, Sunday, 7pm, check it out.

Russ Matuszek – Election Tidbits- Narragansett Resident-
News from Narragansett- went to coalition meeting, spoke to Tom about it briefly, hoping cigar will publish information. Anyone who is leaving campus, copy of all of the state laws, that certain alcohol infringements under age of 21 have to be expunged if you request it. Read from packet of papers about laws. If you are over 21, it is with you for the rest of your life. When you go to get jobs, every application asks if you have ever been convicted of a federal offense. False ID's, Unlawful use of ID cards, transport of alcoholic beverages by underage, possession of alcoholic beverages can all be expunged. Title 12- some of it applies to this, list of records is included. Under this law 12.1.3.4, person is allowed to state that they have never been convicted of a crime can say that if record has been expunged. Anyone planning to run for town council or state office in Narragansett, spoke here and have spoken at other meetings, under RI law, when at atrium at secretary of state's forum, DVD footage as soon as I can find a blog to work with, if a person has a new jersey plate but here for 30 days, they have right to vote in the election. I have a somewhat outdated pamphlet but not the DVD here. A dorm or apartment room can show residency. A lot of misinformation has been around for the past 5 or 10 years, all political candidates in Narragansett should have equal right to student votes. I think all URI students should know that they can vote. When I owned a bar in Narragansett, wait staff were asked to vote but thought it was illegal because they lived in Jersey or CT. Out of Narragansett town charter, student body was quite upset about what happened last august, resident of any place would be upset. You landed in ordinance in September. Way around that. If they introduce a bill, it has to come back for second meeting, but if in the meantime, 20 residents request a town hearing, there will be one held, if someone tries to pull a shenanigan, we can find 20 voters and buy us some time to have a public hearing. It is legal and admissible if you need the ACLU later on. I am trying to educate you, I was once a kid. Anyone who wants to run has to be registered to vote by May 23rd, Narragansett has 5 council seats at large, in 2002, 6 people up for 5 seats. It's not impossible that 7 people will declare for 5 seats. They need to be registered in a house in Narragansett, declare for a seat, worst thing you can do it not turn in your nomination papers if you decide you don't want it. There are a lot of permanent residents like me that are dissatisfied with the town. There are a lot of people who would vote for Tom.

Feinberg- It's all legit info, website is shakethepier.com We have been working to sell these. We could do this.

Rep- There are links.

Officer Cherino- Are they automatic expungements?

Rep- You need to file for expungements but this is a simple file with police. Available after the meeting.

Dr. Miller – Faculty Senate Proponent Opinion on Arming Campus Police
Dr. Costello - Faculty Senate Opposition Opinion on Arming Campus Police

Chair of faculty senate, Barbara Costello on executive committee, Holzman asked us to attend this meeting and answer questions about the vote that we took, President had to go up to providence to testify, quick survey was 25 to 5, 25 were against. I was in the minority and Senator Costello was in the majority. We are both sides of the argument.

Tremaglio- By quick vote, do you mean there will be a more formal vote.

Miller- We did an online survey, it could come up in faculty senate tomorrow if someone wanted to make a motion.

Ginsberg- What were each of your personal reasons?

Miller- We have police on campus, south Kingston police, we already have that situation, with national safety concerns, thought we could have a few more people with ability to respond to a situation faster, I married into a police family, talked to everyone about that.

Costello- Member of faculty, criminologist, where there are guns around, people get shot. With recent events, there is no evidence that police would have been able to stop those attacks, better ways that we could work as a campus. I don't think an armed police department is really necessary.

Yensan- Bothers me most, attitude about SK police are so close, unnecessary to have armed police here, they are still 10 mins away before they know it there is an emergency and they need to lay out a plan, response time would be cut.

Costello- it's not a campus that is crime ridden with violent crime, I'm not here to advocate any particular opinion, just to answer questions, committee 3 or 4 years ago, systematic approach, you should have a copy of that somewhere, much more authoritative.

LaRocca- How would you respond to a counter argument that Virginia tech and other campuses weren't crime ridden either?

Costello- Those things are extremely rare, most extreme get most media attention, large populations of young people that tend to be in high crime years, college campuses are relatively safe.

Cherino- 2001, task force for campus safety

Cigar Justin- Where can that report be obtained?

Cherino- Online

Costello- See what they had done, might guide future discussions.

Petit- Fact that university is losing money, would cost 25,000 to arm campus police, did that factor into your decision?

Miller- not my decision but maybe some peoples but yes there is a cost associated.

Lee- Process that people went through to build conclusions, are their any points made by opposing side that you agree with and sympathize with and why.

Miller and Costello- Yes

Miller- good friends, I think the rarity, I know it is emotional, engineering professor, professor at Virginia tech was engineering, Costello says rare event but emotional side is we can do something to increase safety.

Costello- Like idea that police force could protect people from an armed assailant, this campus doesn't have a big problem with violent crime, not warranted

Lee- Is there an alternative that would increase safety for students that is not arming campus police?

Miller- Talked about emergency system, locks on doors of classrooms talked about, one of the things was information, we need to get information, what do you do if something happens, do you go into another room, what do you do? If I am teaching class with a bunch of students, what do I tell them to do. I think a lot of faculty members don't realize that if an emergency happens, students look to us to find out what to do.

Costello- We need more general guidelines, I think the university is doing a lot to recognize students who have problems, people knew offenders had problems, this wasn't out of the blue, there are often threats, we are trying to recognize warnings signs.

Cherino- Have you consulted with police officers before going into this vote.

Miller- very short time, president needed to go to meeting.

Cherino- Perhaps in the future, talk to police. To Costello, violence isn't always about firearms, I certainly invite to speak to either of you at anytime at your convenience.

Costello- Came mostly to answer any questions, not advocate.

Ahrens- Can you just talk about the incentives about arming campus police.

Miller- can't say personally, from family- Part of being a policeman in this country, brown university and providence college are arming, different environment.

Donald DeHayes – Provost

Thanks for the invitation, I am new provost as of 2 weeks ago, happy to be here, great university with great faculty and students, have met some of you while interviewing for the job, hope is to work with students. What is the provost? Chief academic officer for the university, all programs, should be interacting with the students, faculty, deans and interacts with president and vp's of all divisions of the campus. This is both a challenging and exciting time to be at URI. Challenging because of finances, crisis really create opportunity for students, staff, faculty, time to really reenvision what the university can stand for. We will continue to be student centered university as well as a research university, I want to create a forum to meet with students on a regular basis, some subset, student orgs, students in various academic programs around the campus, group of 15-20 students, not complaining about what is working but thinking about how to bring out best in university, provide student with value of education we deserve. Would like input at some point, what is best way to pull a group of students together.

Tremaglio- good way to create dialogue, not to make yourself fully available for complaints, if you have a group that meets regularly, whether storm with positive and negative view points, wants positive things over negative things, probably be better in the long run, give that some serious consideration.

Rep: What I am trying to get at, what are the ideas for future of URI.

Lee- Byweekly or bimonthly forum or committee where students get together, focus number of things that can fall under a provost, holding a new position with new ideas, along with what may naturally happen, challenge committee to be focused on being best at university. From student perspective, what would make whatever aspect is being considered more efficient or more workable.

Rosa- I don't know if you are aware of chief diversity officer? Person to make campus more diverse, idea has been declined by president, do you have plan for diversity and inclusion in academic departments.

Provost-Idea is near and dear to my heart, I'm not a real structure guy, I don't have a plan yet, I'm a function guy, what are we trying to get done yet and what is the best way to do it. I cam from university that had 2 people for diversity, one was chief officer and the other one that was really working with diversity. Creating color on the landscape, how do we create a climate on the campus? How do we educate all students about living in a multicultural university? Meeting with head of MCC, week or 2, to begin that dialogue.

Rosa- Not only students of color, do you have an idea of GLBTQ, Diversity, women on campus.

Provost- including socioeconomic, we need to make that part of the learning environment for all students at university.

Petit- One thing I think might be good, have a public forum in the union one evening next semester, invite students to meet you and find out what the provost actually does, maybe from group of people that attend, very passionate about bettering URI, form advisory council that you want, post ads in cigar, send out a URI email, invite people.

Provost- Flipping the order around, creating an advisory council, puts me in open dialogue, holding once a year or once a semester, provost forum with students. Students on advisory council helping to create the town for that, student-organized session with provost.

Adepoju- Add about forum, more realistic, people don't go to things unless there is an incentive, don't entangle yourself with social aspects on campus, but work with someone like SEC, get more of a crowd, if just a forum, get people like us, need to get more people from the 16,000 on campus.

Justin Cigar- numerous deans planning to retire, how do you think that will affect education at all.

Provost- I don't know that any academic deans are retiring, recently a retirement programs, about 45 faculty and 56 staff are planning to retire, there are 810 at URI, when we lose people, can bring in new ideas, I don't think we are losing the deans, that is losing educational history. None of them signed onto retirement program over the past month or so. Thanks.

G. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

- FINANCE COMMITTEE:

SS-08/09-15 – CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR WRIU

Whereas, WRIU is a Senate recognized organization, and
Whereas, WRIU would like to hold a programming event on campus, and
Whereas, it is within their mission statement to do so, and
Whereas, WRIU 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 \$5,400.00 from our Programming Contingency to the Category # 400 (Capital Improvements) line in the budget of WRIU.

SPONSOR:	Finance Committee
BILL HANDLER:	Chairman Klos
DATE:	Wednesday, April 23 rd , 2008
RECOMMENDATION:	Passage (4-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE:	Upon Dispensation
ACTION:	Passed

Rep: We need a new FM exciter, creates signal and transmits it, the old piece we have is 20 years old, having a lot of trouble.

Klos motions for immediate consider, **Petit** seconds. Granted
It is a large amount of money but we have money remaining in contingency, I and the committee felt it was best to do it this year out of these funds so we can have more left for next year.

Petit- How long do you plant o have new exciter last?

Rep- Hopefully 20 years, it’s not something we need to replace frequently.

Yensan- Is this the only piece that needs to be replaced in the near future.

Rep- Only piece that can’t be replaced out of our funds.
Passed no abstentions.

Klos- I am done.

Bedard- Thank you Klos, great job! This is Eric’s last meeting.

**- STUDENT ORGANIZATION ADVISORY AND REVIEW
COMMITTEE (SOARC):**

SS-08/09-14 Bill Calling for the Recognition of Phi Beta Lambda at Level 4

Whereas, Phi Beta Lambda will sponsor informative, business related events and give students a chance to demonstrate their knowledge of business through competitions, and
Whereas, Phi Beta Lambda 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 recognize Phi Beta Lambda.

SPONSOR: SOARC
BILL HANDLER: Chairwoman Clarke
DATE: Wednesday, April 16 2008
RECOMMENDATION: Passage (3-0-0)
EXPIRATION: Valid Until Next Re-Recognition
ACTION: Passed

Clarke- Phi Beta Lambda is continuation in college of FBLA from high school, different fundraisers and events are planned, want to get recognized to keep moving along.

Petit- What type of things have you done

Rep- Guest speaker for interested law students.

Holzman- Are their certain programs that you are planning to do over the summer or beginning of next year?

Rep- partnership with March of Dimes, Sunday 5 mile walk to raise money, if we are recognized, get more people to join and more people involved.

Yensan- How many members do you have?

Rep- 16 to 18 right now

Petit- Why didn’t you want recognition through Business School

Rep- We are set up with them, we have an account through them.

Ginsberg- They are level 4, want more access to students.

Klos- Any requirements to join?

Rep- No, historian is engineering.

Petit- With the money in accounts at college of business, do you plan to bring to senate accounts

Rep- We haven't discussed that yet.

Vote- Abstention from Ginsberg
Vote not unanimous but passed

SS-08/09-16 Bill Calling for the Recognition of Saving Darfur at Level 4

Whereas, Saving Darfur will help promote awareness and spark interest to the genocide in Darfur, and
Whereas, Saving Darfur 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 recognize Saving Darfur.

SPONSOR: SOARC
BILL HANDLER: Chairwoman Clarke
DATE: Wednesday, April 23, 2008
RECOMMENDATION: Passage (4-1-0)
EXPIRATION: Valid Until Next Re-Recognition
ACTION; Vote next week.

Approval of the Agenda- Clarke strikes Immediate consideration (~~Immediate consideration~~)

SS-08/09-17 Bill Calling for the Recognition of the Student Alliance for the Welfare of Africa (S.A.W.A.) at Level 4

Whereas, SAWA will place Africa under a positive light, with a focus on Liberia, for the benefit of everyone belonging to the University of Rhode Island and its surrounding community, and to increase their awareness and understanding of issues concerning the region, and
Whereas, SAWA 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 recognize SAWA.

SPONSOR: SOARC
BILL HANDLER: Chairwoman Clarke
DATE: Wednesday, April 23, 2008
RECOMMENDATION: Passage (4-0-0)
EXPIRATION: Valid Until Next Re-Recognition
ACTION: Vote next week

Approval of the Agenda- Clarke strikes Immediate consideration (~~Immediate consideration~~)

Clarke- Take a look at other groups on floor and discuss it with other senators.

Gagnon- Question about Saving Darfur, wouldn't that overlap, Students about business of change are doing a fashion show for Darfur.

Clarke- They are not recognized.

Petit- Since the 2 bills overlap, why not recognized just one.

Clarke- I don't think they overlap, why to discuss in office.

- ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

Stolow: Brought to attention of dean to extend library hours or keep 24 hour room quiet, cannot keep library open longer because of finances, 24 hour room to keep quiet- impossible to regulate, committee meeting is tomorrow at 4, going to discuss possibilities to work with University library for a way of studying in library without interruptions. Student exam rights coming out. Sent an email to everyone from Sheila, coordinator of faculty senate.

Pelletier- Cristin resent email so everyone can read it.

Luther- If you get emails that you can't read, hit reply and read it.

LaRocca- Get gmail, it's fine and free.

- EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

Pascocello: Narragansett coalition last night here, went well, decent turn out, it was informative enough, gave a lot of statistics, on campus housing, off campus living, enforcement discussions, I have stats and numbers for those interested, cleanup this Saturday and Sunday, 26th is bonnet, 27th is eastward, gave meeting locations.

- CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

Adepoju- Monday- told committee to meet at office or go to service for Molly Offer, few members felt uncomfortable, thank you to those who came, really don't have too much for Senate tonight, planning a lot for next semester, pre-winter break and diversity week, send ideas to uriculturalaffairs@gmail.com

Stolow- Are we having a candlelight vigil for Molly?

Adepoju- I just found this Monday that people wanted to have one.

Ahrens- The service on Monday was a good one.

- CAMPUS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

LaRocca: Safety and lighting was on Monday, thank you to those who came, getting report done and emailed out, great turn out, really long, very thorough, going to get a lot accomplished, next morning at 10:30, picking up Natalie and already saw facilities working on one of the poles to put in a new flood light for the staff lot, they are redoing 19 of the blue lights to not be green or white, putting red lights on top if there is an emergency, those lights will go off with a speaker saying what to do and red lights will blink. We went all around campus, if you want to look at my notes, ask me. Natalie and I went to meet with Kathy from dining, everyone read the cigar article, everyone knows about expired ketchup packets, Kathy said it never should have happened, really unfortunate that it happened, inventory process, adding new dot system, each huge box in warehouse will get dot to say use me first or use me last, all different color coded, we got a tour of the warehouse, the blue ones are from last week and yellow from this week. This way nothing sits and get expired, they do huge inventory warehouses 4 times a year, dining halls do once/week. Warehouse is doing a walkthrough once a month to check dates, but now they are trying to do it every week on Fridays. When they do big inventory, one person counts and someone else enters into computer to make sure numbers match. Milk and other dairy products are delivered 6 times/week and go directly to dining halls. Fresh produce is also directly delivered 3-4 times/week. Monday, wed, Friday. Beginning of year, more often because of more people. Bread delivered directly as well. Dairy would only go to warehouse if they need it for when they cater or are making something for research vessel. They put an alarm on the hamburger trailer, if trailer loses electricity, alarm will go off, there is one manager working who will try to save the products if alarm goes off. Corner store won an award for best in business for variety of stock out of 625 schools. New portfolio for dining services hope menu trying to win another award.

Yensan- Can you give us a quick rundown of problems on safety and lighting.

LaRocca- Few blue lights out or flickering. Lights on Quarry rd. for terrace were flickering. Some lights are yellow and some are white. Yellow are old sodium, once they die, getting new high-powered white lights, some fixtures need to be changed. Campus Ave, between TEP and Fogarty, really dark by president's house, a lot of faculty members concerned, staff lot is up there, that is not campus property, trying to contact south Kingstown, it is there land, going to try to petition for at least one light to go up there because it is really dark. We went down into frat circle, ZBT is dark and lights are needed. Complex- In front of Coddington and Burnside, that area is really dark, need to worry about whether the light will shine into any dorm rooms, but if there is a car, the car might not see you walking. If you are walking to your dorm at night, it is a bad spot. Working on getting a light there. A bunch of lights behind library are out, big dig near Chafee some of electrical lights are damaged. Hoping to get some of the defunct lights removed. Library near taft, maybe another light there.

Areas that have improved- fine arts commuter lot is much better.

Trails near Keaney lot have been improved, one past Eddy has a lot of good lights now, going to gym at night, shouldn't be too bad. Those were the major things. We wrote down whatever was flickering and major areas.

Rosa- What do you have planned for next semester besides safety and lighting.

LaRocca- Safety and Lighting is every semester, first night is the first thing for the semester, dining services follow up, going to ask for another tour of warehouse, check on system, arming campus police issues, dealing with complaints from students, RIPTA- going to start emailing Tim tomorrow.

- EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

- a. **Director of Communications- Simon-** I didn't have anything for this week, Amanda talked to me about starting another project. If anyone wants anything done, let me know about anything on campus.
- b. **Secretary- Pelletier-** Nothing to report- Have a good summer!
- c. **Treasurer-Shah-** not here- Paying the bills
- d. **Chief Operations Officer- Feinberg-**not here- Ahrens gave report, Info booth went well, need an incentive for students to stick around a little bit longer, retreat is September 20th, getting a lot of ideas out, no excuses, liaisons- keep up good work, looked at how to get people more involved, senator of the month- starting next September, committee chairs- keep track of minutes/attendance so he can keep binders together. Approved 2 more vice chairs tonight. Bowling is at 6:30 on April 30th, come to office at 6 if you need rides.

Ginsberg- Any sleeping bags for retreat?

Ahrens- Worry about next year, everyone go bowling

Yensan- heard a rumor that old mountain lanes is closing down, maybe revisit that idea.

Ahrens- We have a reservation with them.

- e. **Vice President- Bedard-** Senate outreach flyers in mailboxes, all assigned one, most of you got two groups, only other thing is regarding minutes and office hour sign ins, 9 of you did not sign that you picked up minutes, implementing for a reason, if you haven't been checking off, make sure that you do. 13 people not on exec, did not sign in for office hours, I saw some of you in there but you didn't sign in, so I'm assuming you were not there. It is one of your requirements, it is on the clipboard as something that you need to do, if you don't sign in, you will go to rules and ethics.

Cristin sent out an email, she will be teaching Kim how to operate the website, she needs from exec picture for page, committee times for chair, committee members, get those to Cristin, she will be training Kim how to operate website next week, get those in ASAP.

Katsimagles- Do you want these reports done this year?

Ahrens- Outreach, You have until the retreat, want ideas about what students want during retreat.

Katsimagles- If they don't answer or respond, what to do?

Ahrens- Just look for their meeting times and attend, also transition time for them.

Rosa- Third question on list is the 2nd questions, group concerned that questions are too ambiguous, they want more details, need a more detailed questionnaire to ask, they had nothing really to say.

Bedard- We want them to talk about their particular group, have them open it up to their group in general, things that pertain strictly to them, we are going to put it all together to see what major problem areas are that groups have, have a discussion, not just a Q and A. Get what affects them particularly.

f. **President-Ahrens-** Not trying to make minutes, agenda, office hours and outreach to painstaking. We want these things to be repetitive in your minds, not forcing anyone to feel obligated to do anything with outreach program, broad questions but relate to concerns about what they need to function. We want to figure out what we have done, what we haven't done, what we can do, I apologize for vagueness, if you need more, come speak to me. Coalition meeting- I think we are still being disrespected, things keep on changing, different people, different officers tell us diff. things. We need to put our foot down and need to change government about what is going on right now in Narragansett. I am very passion about it. The more support and help that we can get, I am signing up 20 of my friends in case anything ever happens to get a public hearing. At the beginning of my term, I spoke about having Housing reps, one for ROJOs, one for new dorm and one for planning committee. If you are still interested, talk to me by flag pole.

On campus rep is Robert Stewart.

Off campus rep is Ryan Heffel.

Sunday is reward with food at my house, Saturday is Oozeball. Today was administrative assistant day, Kim was very appreciative

Went to Molly Offer Memorial on Monday, just remember to be safe during your summer.

- **RULES AND ETHICS: No report**

H. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES: None yet

I. SPECIAL ORDERS:

Swearing in of Finance Chair- Allen Petit sworn in as Finance Chair

Confirmation of Chris Tremaglio – IFC Liaison- confirmed, Abstention from Tremaglio.

Elections for Summer Senate- Summer senate meets on need be basis over summer. 2

positions to fill.

Pelletier- declines

Pascocello nominates Clarke, Seconded by Petit

Petit- Amanda lives here during summer, easy for her to get here, Clarke is SOARC chair, good opportunity to work with me on finance to try to get things done before the school year, great chairwoman and great senator, valuable to senate.

Pascocello- Spoke to me about being a part of senate during summer, lives in RI, wants to work with Finance, extremely organized, really wants the position.

Clarke- Organized in prep for rerec, work with Allen over summer, is convenient.

O'Brien nominates Holzman, Seconded by Holden

Holden- Holzman is new to senate, wants to get involved, relay for life, walked around and talked to him about senate issues, summer senate would be beneficial to him.

O'Brien- Lives near here, going to be around here doing summer work, he is very interested, bring a good perspective to it, really wants to do it.

Holzman- living here on campus and working in the area, even if not on student senate, working with groups and college and engineering to get things done, will already be running when senate hits the ground.

Luther nominates Jacques, seconded by Petit

Petit- Seconded Natalie- she will be leaving 2 mins from campus down the road, very active senator, brings knowledge and experience to senate which will be helpful as well as convenient.

Luther- Nominated Natalie, as soon as she decided to stay in RI for summer, wanted to do summer senate, has a job on campus and just down the road, need to do summer senate, vote for her.

Natalie- basically summed it up, living on Kingston rd, for the first month living with Cristin and Jesse. Love summer for no more classes, hate for activities stop. Petit wants to find some of the stuff that student groups own. Looking forward to be part of first night, helping to get that here.

Holden nominates Gagnon, seconded by Ginsberg

Ginsberg- Seconded by Gagnon- last year had 2 new senators on there, would do a good job.

Holden- she doesn't live far from RI, wants to be really involved with senate, she is an athlete and everything, could devote more time during the summer.

Gagnon- never get the chance to do anything extra with senate because involved with other org and track, will be able to get involved over the summer Been on senate for a year, do not want to drop it, want to get more involved. Please vote for me.

Ahrens- I really have no opinion except I would like Amanda Clarke because we are going to be looking at rerec, we have more time, important to have new SOARC chair there.

Lee- 2 open positions, stay away just like the president, when you are considering who you want, want to think of more than someone who is going to be living on campus, kinda wants something to do, look at people who you can tell love senate, want to be on senate, want to get more involved but in addition have plans worked out for things they are going to do to really get done on Senate over the semester. In support all of all people, look at individuals who have goals already in their minds.

Petit- Natalie is on Finance- talked with her previously about things to work on over summer, in addition to Amanda, if Natalie were on it, we would be benefit.

Rosa- Is summer senate open to anyone?

Bedard- They are open but these are the voting members.

Vote- Natalie Jacques and Amanda Clarke voted onto Summer Senate

Elections for Bylaws Committee

Feinberg declines

Luther declines

Katsimagles declines

LaRocca nominates Petit, seconded by Holden

Ginsberg nominates Ahrens, seconded by LaRocca

Petit nominates Sibbald, seconded by Ginsberg

LaRocca nominates Stollow, seconded by Holden

Gagnon nominates Ginsberg, seconded by Holden

Bedard- Only going to have those who speak will speak as if they are trying to get elected by senate.

Petit- Want to be on committee, know bylaws well, was on Rules and Ethics, dealt with whole elections things, can make clear, would bring wealth of knowledge to table.

Ahrens- First of all, during elections, had to read over bylaws maybe twice a night, especially things with COO and DOC, what we are going to do in terms of striking or keeping, I have time for it.

Stollow- Been on Senate for almost 2 years now, don't know them as well as Tom or Allen, have seen the events leading up to what we are looking at, can bring different perspective.

Ginsberg- Have gone through bylaws many times, in meetings with previous committee, have experienced stuff.

Sibbald- Have talked with several of people who are nominees as well, changing things is important.

Sibbald motions to end debate, opposition, vote, debate is ended.

Summer senate is Chairwoman Clarke and senator Jacques.

Bylaws- congrats to Petit, Sibbald, Ahrens, Stollow, Ginsberg

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

K. NEW BUSINESS:

L. GENERAL DISCUSSION AND OPEN FORUM:

Ahrens- Neil's event on Sunday, Red Sox tickets in silent auction, after BBQ, everyone I see, go to other event. Wednesday night- Bowling, social events and relax.

Simon- Friday, April 25th, flavor unit is holding drop it like it's hot, Edwards auditorium, students are 5 dollars, 7 dollars for public, more expensive.

Pelletier- Support Oozeball on Saturday and elections- meet at back of room.

Ahrens- time to Officer Cherino, be safe over summer, thank you for coming to blues and cues.

Petit- Finance- meet at white board, last senate meeting of the year, if anyone wants to go to Applebee's, let's go. Have fun this summer.

Bruce- Good job on your good start, I am here all summer, Hamilton@mail.uri.edu, good luck with exams, papers, other stuff going on, good stuff going on in terms of events, lobster bake, drive in movie. First night- don't forget. Looking forward to the retreat. Have a safe summer. Enjoy and take care.

Yensan- May 1st- Captain going somewhere in Newport. Get an autograph.

Lee- congrats to those on summer senate, encourage you to do your thing, like the ideas from Clarke and Jacques. We need a finance chair to really smooth that out. Look at senate property we have lost. Akon is actually Monday the 28th, I am opening, Flow rider might also be opening. Tickets are not sold out. Sound Session during the summer is providence black repertory thing once a year, great stuff and bands, July 11th or 12th- 112 is coming to PPAC- also opening for them. Have a great summer, be safe, we rock.

Adepoju- Remind you that tomorrow is the day, will be gracing the ballroom once again, UHURU SASA my outfit is bananas, please support, I just got an internship this summer with asylum record, working with Jim Jones on his press release. Bruce- I will get you your tape, I promise. Bruce thinks I got beat up, I didn't, it was a disqualification. Stay Beautiful and do your thing.

Ginsberg- When another senator is talking or someone in this room is talking, I should never hear someone on this table say shut up to that person, I heard it during this meeting, please when we come back, we are officials representing this university.

Pascocello- We need to RSVP by Friday for Pat Kiluea benefit.

Holzman- Sailing club, meeting tomorrow night at 7pm, if you can't make it, touch base with me after meeting, for Hillel, touch base with me too.

Clarke- Congrats to Messineo for being new vice chair of Soarc.

Ahrens- Sunday- food and cleaning, Sunday night events.

Holden- Motion to adjourn.

Holland seconds.

M. ROLL CALL: AYE: Adams, Adepoju, Allison, Boiteau, Clarke, Doyle, Gagnon, Gorman, Harrington, Holden, Holland, Holzman, Jacques, Katsimagles, LaRocca, Lee, Luther, Messineo, O'Brien, Pascocello, Petit, Rosa, Sibbald, Slater, Stewart, Stollow, Sullivan-Bennis, Tremaglio, Yensan

Nay: Ginsberg

No Vote- Ahrens, Bedard, Pelletier, Simon

N. ADJOURNMENT: 8:37PM