

A. CALL TO ORDER: 6:31 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL: Almeida, Bickham, Boiteau, Clarke, Daodu, Einhorn, Farrow, Faustin, Gaudio, Harrington, Holden, Holland, Holzman, Kearns, MacKinnon, Messineo, Mingoaia, O'Loughlin, Petit, Prata, Puleo, Raupers, Shah, Sharkey, Sinapi, Slater, Van Fechtmann, Weiss

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: passed

D. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: **Shah-** Motion to add call to order 6:31, adjournment 8:30. Vote, passed.

E. ANNOUNCEMENTS: **Petit-** Motion for pledge, Prata seconds.

Puleo- I sent an email out about a walk in Cambridge, Mass by Barcott. For literacy for children (girls) in Southern Asia, Pakistan, India, etc. The walk is the day before our breast cancer walk, but if you want a spectacularly walk-filled weekend like me, just talk to me.

F. PUBLIC FORUM:

G. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

- **FINANCE COMMITTEE:**

SS-09/10-22 – CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR OUTING CLUB

Whereas, Outing Club is a Senate recognized organization, and
Whereas, Outing Club would like to purchase punch passes, and
Whereas, it is within their mission statement to do so, and
Whereas, Outing Club 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, September 30th, 2009
RECOMMENDATION: Passage (3-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE: Upon Dispensation
ACTION: Vote Tonight

Petit- Sorry I wasn't here last week, not sick anymore you could have sat next to me. Outing club?
Member- \$1200 is for 100 punch passes for RI rock gym, come every semester, to keep member numbers up, goes to full lessons, keep members active, that's a reduced rate.
Vote- passed

SS-09/10-23 – TAX GRANT REQUEST FOR STUDENT SENATE

Whereas, Homecoming Week is a University of Rhode Island student tradition, and
Whereas, the Student Senate's mission includes continuing and improving University traditions, and
Whereas, the Student Senate has played an active role in the Homecoming Week activities in previous years, and
Whereas, the Student Senate has the opportunity to contribute to the funding of a successful Homecoming event, and
Whereas, this request is within the finance policy of the Student Senate and it is the Senate's custom to grant such requests, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Student Senate will help cover the production costs of Jim Gaffigan by opening up a line of credit which is not to exceed \$30,000.00

SPONSOR: Finance Committee
 BILL HANDLER: Chairman Petit
 DATE: Wednesday, September 30th, 2009
 RECOMMENDATION: Passage (5-0-0)
 EXPIRATION DATE: Upon Dispensation
 ACTION: Vote Next Week

Petit- There's a bill on the floor for next week, read it over come talk to me or someone on exec if you have questions. Because I was sick Finance 101 meeting is at Presidents meeting on Monday. They already have to be there. I'll be passing out new handbooks, signature cards.

- **STUDENT ORGANIZATION ADVISORY AND REVIEW**

COMMITTEE (SOARC): Holland- Presidents meeting Monday at 7 atrium 2, all presidents and treasurers need to be there, re-rec due next Wednesday. Mondays at 530.

- **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE: Bickman-** Dave says hi, there's a provost meeting next week on Tuesday at 5:30 I'm pretty sure, not sure when Dave is coming back. Coming back Monday. As far as our meeting, we talked about advising. Someone suggested doing it as AEC does, with little cards after session rating helpfulness on a scale of 1-5.

- **EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE: Clarke-** no report

Petit- When's the coalition meeting?

Clarke- Next Thursday 6:30-8 in the ballroom.

- **CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE: Prata-** Hey, we had our first official meeting, its Mondays from 4-5 in 301. We had one student from a multicultural org show up. Had good input. We're doing a multicultural holiday fair on November 30th from 7-10 in ballroom. Event where all orgs can display a culture that is close to them at a booth. Working on whether or not there will be food. Set up like first night, walk around get information. Talking about a food and clothing drive, campus wide competition maybe between sororities and fraternities.

- **CAMPUS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE: Sinapi-** Everything previously discussed is pending.

Petit- Have you set a date for safety and lighting walk with administration?

Sinapi- It's done. I need to go over it with the administration. The walk was conducted, we walked around found out what was needed and now we need to tell administration.

Petit- What I meant was the day the administration walks around with campus affairs. I'm asking because ever since we've been doing is that the committee walks around, finds areas, makes notes, and official walk takes place with president, lands and grounds, important figures, committee lways goes around and walks with them. In the past when we just submit what we think should be done does not get done.

Sinapi- What we have are actual lights that are out. It needs to get done. I see no reason to take administration out and drag them to do something we already did.

Petit- Just something senate has always done. We'd also be meeting one on one with administration, bring up other issues and I think to not do that would be a bad thing.

Slater- The only reason we end up doing it with administration is that they need to see it with their own eyes if they're going to care about it. We do the second one with them to see if they actually did it, show them what they did not do.

Sinapi- It will be done.

- EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

- a. **Director of Communications Simon**- not here
- b. **Secretary Harrington**- kudos to vidhi
- c. **Treasurer Boiteau**- paying the bills
Sinapi- What bills?
Boiteau- Stipends.
- d. **Vice President Shah**- Hi, Yay retreat this weekend thank you for those who were there. Still trying to think of what I'm going to get you, ideas besides money? Bruce has an idea. It went really well it would have been better if more than half of the senate was there. Four people who are not on senate came. I really think that from now on when it's a mandatory retreat you should take it seriously. We had a good time, learned a lot, worked off of each other. One thing to do for senate a month, we're going to do community service for senate, breast cancer walk on October 25th made flyers for you to take home so you remember to go. If you're in the back and are interested in senate feel free to take a flyer and sign up. If you go to link on flyer it says to join our group. Doesn't cost anything to join team. If you want to donate it's optional but there's a \$5 minimum. If you can't make the walk I encourage you to donate, if you don't have any money come walk. I think it could be a good time. Not just senate, open to anyone. Set our goal at \$200, and I already gave \$10 so \$190 to go. Everything you need to know is on flyer. Steve I talked to you about senator orientation.
Bickham- I've never been to a walk how do they work?
Shah- I've never done it before, walk is to support cause, it's from roger Williams zoo to music center, it's a fun group thing after everyone's been raising money.
MacKinnon- Are we going to do ropes course?
Shah- I know, it's sad I'm upset too that we didn't get to do the high elements. I don't know, right now I'm going to say no because I don't want to get your hopes up. Closes in November, opens in March, whole new senate. Any other groups interested tell them to go see Melissa.
- e. **President Bedard (Shah)** Jim Gaffigan is going to be on Thursday October 15th in ryan center, student tickets are \$15, we have a bill on the floor under finance. We will cover production costs up to \$30,000. If you have questions ask me, Bedard, or Allen. It's in two weeks so really tell people. Tickets went on sale today. We're sponsoring it, tell your friends. Bedard wanted me to let you know that we are going to President Dooley's house on Sunday and you should be interested in coming. Met in senate office at 7 pm. I'm sure you want to see the house.
Clarke- What time does it go until?
Shah- I was not given that info. Thinking not more than two hours. It's a pretty chill event, see house, interact.
Clarke- Can we come late?
Shah- Yes you can peace out.

- RULES AND ETHICS: no report

H. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

Elections Committee

Petit- Thank you to those who worked booth today, open again tomorrow 9-5. I don't know the turnout. I'm assuming it was good. If you haven't served today you have to do at least one hour tomorrow unless on rules and ethics. It will count as office hour. Everyone on elections meet back here.

Holden- Was there a sign up sheet? I went today and didn't see it.

Petit- Kim had one, you can just go in there's one on actual booth. Oh, it's on Juelia's desk so if you worked today just go sign up if you did work. Tomorrow it will be at booth.

Shah- I AM watching.

I. SPECIAL ORDERS:

Nominations for Rules & Ethics committee member

Prata- Nominate Gaudio, seconded by Messineo

Petit- Nominate Van Fechtmann, seconded by Prata

Holland- Who is on?

Shah- Committee members raise your hands. They do so.

Clarke- Nominate Sharkey, Messineo seconds

Sharkey- Why do people say that committee needs a girl?

Shah- I don't know who made that comment but it doesn't matter.

Holland- Nominates Mingoia, declines

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

K. NEW BUSINESS:

L. GENERAL DISCUSSION AND OPEN FORUM: **Petit-** If anyone's interested in going to Applebee's lets meet up.

Farrow- I'm on St. Jude's exec board and our event is November 3rd in ballroom. Last year raised \$40,000.

Almeida- Every Sunday night I'm on radio. Last week some senators listened, I'll shout you out.

Slater- For breast cancer walk, it seems like there's a ton of orgs doing it already, can we get a booth to raise money together?

Clarke- Do you mean organized groups to collaborate?

Slater- We could walk under URI thing instead of groups.

Clarke- If people saw people raising money for the same thing they might not want to vote. The fact that there's different causes makes them donate.

Slater- For this cause it just seems like there's a bunch of groups raising money so if we work together it will be nice.

Sharkey- I think we should bring that up at the presidents meeting so they can coordinate that.

Holden- Motion to adjourn, MacKinnon seconds.

M. ROLL CALL: AYE: Almeida, Bickham, Clarke, Daodu, Einhorn, Farrow, Faustin, Gaudio, Holden, Kearns, MacKinnon, Mingoia, O'Loughlin, Prata, Raupers, Sharkey, Sinapi, Van Fechtmann, Weiss

NAY: Holland, Holzman, Messineo, Petit, Puleo, Slater

No Vote: Boiteau, Harrington, Shah

N. ADJOURNMENT: 7:00 p.m.