

A. CALL TO ORDER: 6:36 p.m. ,

B. ROLL CALL: Bedard, Bickham, Birch, Cahill, Caisse, Clarke, Coates, Cologna, Espinal, Farrow, Ferreira, Holland, Holzman, Jones, Juhr, Long, MacKinnon, Messineo, Navilliet, O’Loughlin, Petit, Prata, Renzi, Rodrigues, Rosati, Rossi, Segal, Shah, Sharkey, Simon, Sinapi, Slater, Stewart, Stewart, Timas, Tondreau, Van Fechtmann, Weiss

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Coates- Motion to amend bill SS-09/10-75 to include Off-Campus Jurisdiction Policy proposal, as presented on addendum, Second: Petit (7-0-0)

Clarke - Ryan Drugan to open forum, Second: Slater

Recommendation on bill SS-09/10-79: (5-0-0)

Recommendation on elections bill: (4-0-0)

Messineo – something

Second: MacKinnon

Add Bill: SS-09/10-83

Passes

Vote- Approved

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

E. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Petit- Motion for the Pledge, Second: Rodrigues, Opposition, vote, passes

Coates- If you’re running for exec/appointed position, talk to me

MacKinnon- Delta Chi, pageant, benefits Haiti relief

F. PUBLIC FORUM:

Drugan- Look for seat on Narragansett town council. Looking for support, especially with primary in September

Clarke- important to have student voice, vital for progress. Need to register students to vote in ‘Gansett

Bedard- standing on unruly gatherings policy

Drugan- on fence – has perspective of both student and resident. Needs to be changed. Wants to see students be more responsible, and town needs to be more relaxed. Addressing it is on his agenda once he gets into office.

G. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

- FINANCE COMMITTEE:

SS-09/10-68– CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR ART CLUB

Whereas, Art, is a Senate recognized organization, and

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

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

Whereas Art 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 \$762.56 from our General Contingency to the Category #400 (Capital Improvements) line in the budget of Art.

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

Petit: seeing no rep, refer back to committee, O’Loughlin seconds

SS-09/10-72 – CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENT ORGANIZATION (NASO)

Whereas, NASO, is a Senate recognized organization, and
Whereas, NASO would like to hold a programming event on campus, and
Whereas, it is within their mission statement to do so, and
Whereas NASO 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 \$2283.95 from our Programming to the Category #130 (Programming) line in the budget of NASO.

SPONSOR: Finance Committee
BILL HANDLER: Chairman Petit
DATE: Wednesday, March 10th, 2010
RECOMMENDATION: Passage (4-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE: Upon Dispensation
ACTION: Vote Tonight

Pow-wow: social gathering, share family bond. Groups from large geographical area.
Prata: on campus?
Member- On old track, next to Ryan Center.
Prata: group has shown responsible leadership.
Petit: can you expand on cultural aspect, as you are making it sound religious. We cannot fund religious events.
Member- It is focused on cultural sharing. It is spiritual because we are together with family. Part of the event will be “family” only.
Bedard: We’re nit-picking. We need to pass this. Students need cultural exposure, this is a great way to do it.
Holland: Working very hard to plan this event. Religion is a part of culture.
Tondreau: Religion is part of every culture.
Cologna: How is the money being spent?
Member- It is being used to pay for the use of a sound system.
Clarke: Anything else you are using the money for
Member- There will be vendors, jewelry sales, a ceremonial leader.
Voice vote passes

SS-09/10- 73 – CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR PANHELLIC COUNCIL

Whereas, Panhel, is a Senate recognized organization, and
Whereas, Panhel would like to hold a programming event on campus, and
Whereas, it is within their mission statement to do so, and
Whereas Panhel 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 \$4398.57 from our Programming to the Category #130 (Programming) line in the budget of Panhel.

SPONSOR: Finance Committee
BILL HANDLER: Chairman Petit
DATE: Wednesday, March 10th, 2010
RECOMMENDATION: Passage (4-0-2)
EXPIRATION DATE: Upon Dispensation
ACTION: Vote Tonight

VP of programming: 70th annual Greek Week. Broomball this year, Partnering with FirstBook URI and Relay for Life.
Sinapi: how are you spending this money?

Member- Professional lighting and sound. Theme: Olympics, with Olympic village. Other production costs during the week.

Coates: Last year you make a good attempt of getting all of campus out to it. This year?

Member- Yes, Cigar is going to cover prior to the Week, using social media.

Sharkey: Where does the fund raised money go?

Member- Last year \$5k, given to URI Foundation.

MacKinnon: book drive during the week,

Tondreau: are you reaching out and working with any other orgs?

Member- Just multicultural greek society, firstbook, relay.

Voice vote: passed

SS-09/10-77 – 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 \$2,000.00 from our Programming Contingency to the Category #130 (Programming) line and \$115.00 from our Programming Contingency to the Category #222 (Advertising) line in the budget of Exposure.

SPONSOR:	Finance Committee
BILL HANDLER:	Chairman Petit
DATE:	Wednesday, March 10 th , 2010
RECOMMENDATION:	Passage (3-0-0)
EXPIRATION DATE:	Upon Dispensation
ACTION:	Vote Next Week (Immediate Consideration)

Petit: immediate consideration, passes

President: you should have heard of this by FB, 3-4pm, Big Bang, bring out all multicultural groups, \$800 will go to MMC to fix up the Hardge, rest to Haiti relief fund. 18 orgs. In Union, mainly ballroom and atriums. Different type of music in each room. Teaming up with ZTA to do clothes drive, donors get discount admission. Grant pays for DJ’s (7hrs, some of which are professional/full time DJs), remainder will give to Haiti relief fund.

Prata : this is the other group that showed up to the cultural affairs show, good leadership. Have taken recommendation to work with greek system.

Messineo: yield

Member- Open/campus wide Talent show at 7, doors at 6, talent show free, as a promotion of everything else. Sponsored by .

Holzman: clarification – president stated that remainder of grant will be donated

Petit: once grant and security are paid back, then \$\$ can be donated

Voice vote passes

SS-09/10-78 – CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR INTER FRATERNITY COUNCIL

Whereas, IFC, is a Senate recognized organization, and

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

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

Whereas, IFC 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 \$4398.57 from our Programming Contingency to the Category #130 (Programming) line in the budget of IFC.

SPONSOR:	Finance Committee
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BILL HANDLER: Chairman Petit
 DATE: Wednesday, March 10th, 2010
 RECOMMENDATION: Passage (3-0-3)
 EXPIRATION DATE: Upon Dispensation
 ACTION: Vote Next Week

SS-09/10-79 – CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR UHURU SASA

Whereas, SASA, is a Senate recognized organization, and
Whereas, SASA would like to hold a programming event on campus, and
Whereas, it is within their mission statement to do so, and
Whereas, SASA 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 \$2,710.00 from our Programming Contingency to the Category #130 (Programming) line and \$290.00 from our Programming Contingency to the Category #222 (Advertising) line in the budget of SASA.

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

SS-09/10-80 BILL CALLING FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE BUDGETS FOR STUDENT SENATE ORGANIZATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010

Whereas, Student Senate is responsible for budgeting funds to the student organizations, and
Whereas, the following organizations are recognized by the Senate, and
Whereas, the Finance Committee has carefully considered each request and furthered recommendations for each organization’s budget, and
Whereas, the Finance Committee has based their recommendations primarily on past usage of budgeted funds, across the board policies applied to all groups, and rationales for request provided by the groups themselves, and
Whereas, the Finance Committee has determined a conservative estimate on how much the Senate can expect to receive in Student Activity Fee income and in rollover income, and
Whereas, the Finance Committee has prepared a balanced budget, therefore be it
Resolved, that the Student Senate budget \$836,812.25 to the Student Organizations, including the \$7,240.00 automatically budgeted to all category R and A, based on the Financial Benefits Package in the Finance Handbook, as provided by the budget breakdown accompanying this bill, and therefore be it,
Resolved, that the Student Senate budget \$68,187.75 to the Contingency Categories as provided in the budget breakdown accompanying this bill, and therefore be it
Resolved, the funds budgeted to the Student Organizations over \$836,812.25 shall be deducted from the contingency categories proportionally according to the percentages listed on the budget breakdown accompanying this bill, provided that the total amount allocated to the contingency categories will not be less than \$60,000.00, and be it further

Resolved, that any further funds budgeted to the Student Organizations which would cause the contingency categories to fall below \$60,000.00 will be raised by an across the board percentage cut according to each organization’s share of the total amount allocated to organizations, and be it finally,

Resolved, that any additional income collected from student fees or from higher than anticipated rollover may be allocated, at the discretion of the finance committee and the Student Senate executive committee, to the contingency categories proportionally according to the percentages listed on the budget break down accompany this bill, up to \$100,000.00

Resolved, that any additional income voted or approved into contingency categories by the Student Senate will be allocated to tax apportionment.

SPONSOR:	Finance Committee
BILL HANDLER:	Chairman Petit
DATE:	Wednesday, March 17 th , 2010
RECOMMENDATION:	(- -)
EXPIRATION DATE:	Upon Dispensation
ACTION:	Vote Next Week

Petit- everyone should have a copy of the budget. Take a look, talk to me/anyone on finance.

Bedard: we should immediately consider IFC bill, since it’s the same event.

VP of Panhel: I can’t talk for them

Bedard: someone on IFC can talk?

Petit: delayed because there is some paperwork to iron out. Also, allows people to consider bill.

- STUDENT ORGANIZATION ADVISORY AND REVIEW COMMITTEE (SOARC):

SS-09/10-74– Bill Calling for the Recognition of Veteran Student Association at Category R

Whereas, Veteran Student Association will help veterans transition from military to college life and to enrich the community and the campus by uniting veteran students with each other and with other non-veteran students.

Whereas, Veteran Student Association 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 Veteran Student Association.

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

Member- VA work study from PVD campus, found that URI didn’t have a group while many other classes did. Vet’s tend to stick together, seek eachother out. Makes a community of vets, which helps incoming vets adjust to college, deal with PTSD. Also wants to send care packages, fundraisers for Wounded Warriors, Crossfit fundraisers.

Holland: this is very important, support system is needed for vets, as well as friends and family thereof.

Coates: Somewhat sad that we don’t have this already when we’re in proximity to Navy, CG facilities, and have been rated as a military friendly school

Tondreau: definitely needed, I support. People need to understand what these people.

Sharkey: working with any of the posts, ROTC, or anything like that?

Member- Have been in touch with ROTC, informing them of intent.

Petit: # of members

Member- 14 of ~190 vets

Voice vote passes unanimously

Coates: allow the minutes to reflect unanimous decision

Second: Rodrigues

SS-09/10-81 – Bill Calling for the Recognition of Apple Users Group at Category R

Whereas, Apple Users Group will support the growth of Apple brand on campus through seminars, demonstrations and other events that educate new or current Mac users about Mac features.

Whereas, Apple Users Group 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 Apple Users Group.

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

- ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

Sinapi: motion to moved to unfinished business, as student rep is here and should not have to wait through lengthy bill

O’Loughlin seconds:

Opposition

Division

Passes

SS-09/10-75 BILL CALLING FOR THE OFFICIAL URI STUDENT SENATE PROPOSAL TO THE STUDENTS RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES COMMITTEE REGARDNG THE DISPOSITION OF THE URI STUDENT HANDBOOK

Whereas, from time to time the University of Rhode Island constitutes the Student Rights and Responsibilities Committee to solicit suggestions from the campus community for inclusion in and alterations to the URI Student Handbook, and

Whereas, the Student Rights and Responsibilities Committee is empowered to deliberate upon these proposals and make recommendations for the alteration of the URI Student Handbook to the URI Faculty Senate for approval, and

Whereas, it is the Student Senate’s responsibility to insure that proposed changes to the URI Student Handbook reflect closely the student community’s values and expectations and protects the general student interest, therefore be it

Resolved, that the following policy recommendations shall be considered the official policy recommendations of the Student Body of the University of Rhode Island:

[italics mark inclusions to the text, strikethroughs mark removal from the text]

Pg. 8 Statement of Students' Rights

Include: *Students have the right to be represented in university decision-making and policy-forming processes, the right to be duly informed of proposed changes to student responsibilities and academic policies, and to participate meaningfully in discussions regarding those issues.*

1.1 Truthful Information. Providing incorrect, untruthful or incomplete information *in response to legitimate requests by the University officials or conduct board* is prohibited.

1.3 Evidence. Destroying, altering, or concealing evidence of violations of community standards *in an attempt to avoid consequences or to assist another to avoid consequences* is prohibited.

1.4 Academic Honesty. [Some mention of use of tutoring services and the writing center would be appropriate]

1.5 Procedures. [...] a. ii. May fail the student for the course, with permission from the instructor's dean [...] d. Disciplinary action on an allegation of academic dishonesty may be requested by the ~~student's dean~~, the instructor's dean, or by the instructor with a statement of position from the instructor's dean. *Students may refer to University Manual sections 8.27.10 through 8.27.21. f. In the case of a student being exonerated by the conduct board or administrative hearing the professor is enjoined from action.*

2.5 Physical Actions. [...] a. Actions which *require* medical attention for substance abuse.

2.6c Consent. [...] Impairment due to alcohol and drug use, permanent/temporary ~~emotional~~ *mental or physical disability*[...]

2.6g What to Do Following a Sexual Assault. [...] However, if these have been done, a "rape kit" can *still* be performed.

2.6h Options for Victims of Sexual Harassment. [...] A student may pursue any or all of these options. *At no time should any victim of sexual assault be advised or counseled not to pursue legal action.*

2.16 Hazing. [...] paddling in any form, infliction of excessive fatigue, physical and psychological shocks; forced consumption of any substance, exposure to the elements, quests, treasure hunts, scavenger hunts, road trips, or any other such activities[...]

2.20 Safety Equipment [...] ~~Responsibility for a false fire alarm will result in the minimum sanction of removal from campus residence.~~

2.21 Drugs [...] ~~...including syringes and needles and inhalants~~ is prohibited.

2.21 Drugs [...] ~~Being in an on-campus room where illegal drugs are being used may result in conduct charges.~~

2.23a Illegal consumption and possession of alcohol. [...] ~~Empty alcohol containers randomly located in a room of someone under 21 may result in charges.~~

2.23b Proximity to alcohol or other drugs. [~~strike entire section~~]

2.28 Locations for Consumption. The University Club is the only designated *public* area for the consumption of alcoholic beverages.

2.34 ~~Minimum Mandatory~~ *Recommended* Sanctions for Alcohol and Other Drug Violations: Individual Students. (Strike any instances of "minimum mandatory" thereafter and replace with "recommended").

4.1 Responding. Students must appear before a university official when properly notified to appear. *The student must be given an adequate period of time to respond, and must be notified of the reason for which they have been summoned.*

5.1 Student Senate. [...] ...and serves as the governing body for all recognized organizations. *The Student Senate shall have the sole power to make all appointments of undergraduate students to any policy-making, advisory, or search committee at the University. The University shall fulfill its burden to duly inform the students of upcoming and current policy discussions by notifying the Senate of them in a timely fashion.*

6.2c Overnight Guests. [...] Any one guest cannot stay in a student residence or Greek house longer than 4 nights within a month without explicit *written* consent of the roommate(s), suitemates, and/or apartment mates ~~as well as approval from the Hall Director, Site Manager, or House President.~~

6.3 Noise [...] If, ~~in the judgment of a University staff member~~ the noise level has interfered with any educational or residential activity to the point where a resident has lodged a complaint...

6.10 Appliances. *[include in allowed appliances: computer, printer, laptop/phone charger, game systems]*

6.22 Entry Without Consent [...] ...there is the smell of marijuana, a towel under the door, ~~the window is open and a fan is on...~~

6.22a Limited Administrative Search [...] ...hands-off and limited to what is in plain sight, ~~refrigerator contents~~ and a quick look...

16. Mediation. If formal mediation is the unanimous choice of ~~three~~ *two* parties: [...], ~~and (3) the Office of Student Life.~~ Mediation may be initiated at any point in the process when the ~~three~~ *two* parties agree to mediate....

17. Charges. [...] A student has ~~48 hours~~ *3 business days* to point out errors in charge letters and when a corrected letter is issued, a student will have at minimum and additional ~~48 hours~~ *3 business days* to choose action.

18. Response to Conduct Charge. [...] Students will have a minimum of ~~two business days (48 hours)~~ *three business days (72 hours)* upon receipt to respond to a charge letter. a. If the student accepts responsibility for the charges and the recommended sanction, the case is resolved and a decision letter will confirm the resolution. ~~This option, administrative action, is the most expedient and private and most cases are resolved in this manner.~~

19. Hearings. [...] ~~Concerns, challenges, or objections regarding the process are not part of the hearing but must be raised with the Office of Student Life no later than 48 hours in advance of the hearing.~~

20. Only full-time students who do not have current judicial sanctions are allowed to serve. ~~The existing board selects new student members.~~ *The student members are selected by general secret-ballot election from among the student body. Any student who meets the qualifications listed above may run for the position.*

21. Hearing Panels. [...] ...the hearing panel consists of four students and one faculty member selected from the board as described in section 20. *The chairperson of the panel shall be selected from the student members of the board.*

24.4 Hearings are closed by default. *By written request, the charged student may intentionally waive the right to a closed hearing and open the hearing to the public. If this is done, the Office of Student Life shall act to ensure that the public shall be accommodated in the hearing room, and that the presence of the public shall not disrupt the process of the hearing; this should not be interpreted to allow the exclusion of student or professional media.*

24.14 [...] Decisions are based only upon evidence and testimony introduced at the hearing. All decisions shall be made by a majority vote, *except deliberations on responsibility, which shall require unanimity*. The chairperson has the right to vote in all matters.

25.1 [...] A digital recording of the hearing *will* be made to help in the preparation of a hearing report and appeal. ~~Poor recording quality will not be grounds for appeal.~~

25.8 Charged student, *complaining witness*, and advisor leave the hearing room.

28.1 Situational Conditions. j. Fines for alcohol/*drug* violations

28.1 Situational Conditions. k. Random drug testing (*to be used only if the case involved abuse, possession, or sale of drugs by the charged student*)

30.2a [Strike entire section as repetitious of 30.1a]

, and be it further

Resolved, that these policy recommendations shall constitute the official instructions of the URI Student Senate to any student appointee to the Student Rights and Responsibilities Committee, and be it further

Resolved, that the Senate shall undertake all actions necessary and proper to assist the student members of the Student Rights and Responsibilities Committee in delivering and negotiating for the adoption of the aforementioned policy recommendations, and be it finally

Resolved, that the Senate shall undertake all actions necessary and proper to ensure the successful passage of these changes and all other changes deemed by the Senate to be in the student body’s interest through the Student Handbook amendment process

Sponsor:	Academic Affairs Committee
Bill Handler:	Chairman Coates
Recommendation:	PASSAGE (4 - 0 - 1)
Date Introduced:	March 10, 2010
Date Expires:	Upon the final disposition of the pending business of the Student Rights and Responsibilities Committee
Action:	Vote Tonight

Bill to change second grade option
Syllabus requirements

SRR changes: we are not married to the wording, but the principles stand.

Vihdi: raise it higher

Petit: question on addition – what about someone who did a crime, but get off on a technicality

Coates: that’s why it says felony arrests, not convictions. Lower burden of proof in conduct board is to protect students, we think that’s fair.

Messineo: use of “adequate use of time”

Coates: is later defined as 3 business days.

Voice vote unanimous

Coates: reflection in minutes

Rodrigues seconds

Coates: Holzman brought this up, Second Grade Option at most U’s is available all of the time. There are a lot of reasons why a student should have the option of doing this.

- EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

Clarke- Off-Campus housing fair was today

Higher Ed Day: April 27th.

Off-Campus cleanup: April 7, details to follow

Wheeler school doing assignment on orange sticker policy

- CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

Prata- Making categories, orgs will nominate a next presidents meeting, Senate will vote after that

- CAMPUS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

Sinapi- Zipcars on hold because lawyer is not getting back to us.
Parking and dining services survey to go out this week
Pot holes being worked on

- EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

a. Director of Communications Simon- Working on SRR articles, go out Friday
Working on reply to Wheeler school

b. Secretary Harrington- not here

c. Treasurer Boiteau- not here

d. Vice President Shah- Planning end of year BBQ
Senior speakers – 2 aps, deadline MAR17
Debate can spark emotions, but don't make it personal – be professional

Cologna: who's still in Assassins
Navilliet, Segal, Espinal are DSQ for not having carried out their orders

e. President Bedard- Working on inauguration event, you should all be there.
Looking forward to Ellery Pond POA by the 18 that voted it down.

- RULES AND ETHICS:

Messineo: bill on separate page, vote next week, take a look, ask questions

H. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

Elections Committee

Petit- There are a couple of ties:

- 1) Ensure enrollment of all members
- 2) will eliminate those not interested
- 3) will motion to change bill on floor next week as needed
- 4) then an internal election will decide final ties.

Shah: Elections meet after.

SS-09/10-82 BILL CALLING FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF THE SPRING ELECTION RESULTS

Whereas, the Spring Elections were held as scheduled with no irregularities and no challenges filed, and

Whereas, the Elections Committee produced a final count of the valid cast ballots and no recount was requested, therefore be it

Resolved, that the URI Student Senate confirm the following results (winners in bold):

President/Vice President (1)

David Coates & Gianna Prata	455
Michael Holden & Steven Boiteau	115
Matt Mazzucco & Kevin Gaul	3
Nick Kerr & Sarah Palin	2

At-Large Representatives (12)

Casey Holden	153
Jorge Rodrigues	146
Josh Einhorn	144
Stephanie Segal	134
Kristin Stewart	121
Peter Espinal	120
Brittany Ferreira	116
Tanya Jones	110
Tyler Curry	103
Steven N. Messineo	101
Harrison Burgess	94
Zachary Salomon	90
Bill MacKinnon	88
Christopher A. Caisse	87
Chrissy Jühr	82
John Renzi	73
Gene Rosati Jr.	71
Chris Raupers	70
Steven Paul Issac Cahill	52

On-Campus Representatives (9)
(ties to be determined by internal elections)

Chrissy Jühr	153
John Centracchio	151
Steven Cahill	148
Chris Caisse	147
Matthew Berger	146
Anthony Sinapi	145
Bill MacKinnon	128
Thomas Javett	109
<i>John Passa</i>	<i>6 tied</i>
<i>Lexi Harrington</i>	<i>6 tied</i>
Nick Kerr	5
Daniel Serafin	4
Matt Mazzucco	4

Off-Campus Representatives (11)

Brian Dlhopsky	95
Gene Rosati, Jr.	93
Robert Stewart	88
John Renzi	82
Andrew Ruggeri	74
John Navilliat	71

Matthew Berger	44 *
Thomas Javett	36 *
Curtis Sellon	12
Chris Knight	4
<i>Steven Cahill</i>	3 *
<i>Elizabeth Ventura</i>	3 *
<i>Steven Messineo</i>	3 *
<i>James Canonico</i>	3
<i>Suzanne Sharkey</i>	3
<i>Allen Petit</i>	<i>2 tied</i>
<i>Chrissy Jühr</i>	<i>2 tied</i>
<i>Jason Hale</i>	<i>2 tied</i>
<i>Pigasus</i>	<i>2 tied</i>
<i>James Kyle Dorsey</i>	<i>2 tied</i>
<i>Adam Goto</i>	<i>2 tied</i>
<i>Bill McKinnon</i>	<i>2 tied</i>
<i>Dane Richard</i>	<i>2 tied</i>
<i>Johnathon Centracchio</i>	<i>2 tied</i>
<i>Joe Walters</i>	<i>2 tied</i>

* Ineligible for Off-campus or won in previous election

College of Arts & Sciences Representative (1)

Corey Long	56
Matthew Tallet	2

College of Business Representative (1)

Brenden Cologna	23
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College of Engineering Representative (1)

Jacob Holzman	10
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College of Environment & Life Science Representative (1)

Nadine Timas	31
Connor Capizzano	2

College of Human Science & Services Representative (1)

Abigail Farrow	22
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College of Nursing Representative (1)

Katherine Holland	6
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College of Pharmacy Representative (1)

<i>Natalie Jacques</i>	<i>2 tied</i>
<i>Kevin McMurray</i>	<i>2 tied</i>

University College Representative (1)

Ryann Rossi 70
 Matthew Berger 64
 Hamid Akinfolasin 4

(In order to conserve space, the names of those not elected have been omitted).

SPONSOR: Elections Committee
 BILL HANDLER: Chairman Petit
 DATE: Wednesday, March 10th, 2010
 RECOMMENDATION: Passage (- -)
 EXPIRATION DATE: Annual Meeting
 ACTION: Vote Next Week

I. SPECIAL ORDERS

Nomination and Election of Rules & Ethics Committee Member

Shah: Elections for R&E.
 Caisse, Stewart.
 Stewart declines

Prata: Seconded Caisse: good idea because he’s young, can be on for a while. Has shown a lot of interest in Senate.

Coates: nominated Caisse: Has displayed level head in SRR.

Caisse: Thanks. Really interested, enjoying Senate.

MacKinnon: What is your personal definition of ethics?

Caisse: depends on personal experiences, dictates what you want to do, how you help people.

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

SS-09/10-76 – CONTINGENCY GRANT REQUEST FOR STUDENT SENATE

Whereas, Senate, is a Senate recognized organization, and
Whereas, Senate would like to sponsor a clean up project on campus, and
Whereas Senate would like money to help cover the costs of the clean up, therefore be it
Resolved, that the Student Senate grant \$3500.00 from our Tax to the Category #400 (Capital Improvements) line in the budget of Senate.

SPONSOR: Finance Committee
 BILL HANDLER: David Bedard
 DATE: Wednesday, March 10th, 2010
 RECOMMENDATION: Failure (0-5-2)
 EXPIRATION DATE: Upon Dispensation
 ACTION: Vote Tonight

Contingency grant for SS, for Ellery Pond improvement project.

Bedard: finance rejected because we shouldn’t pay for university improvements. U has no plans to do this project whatsoever. This directly affects students, realistically few staff/faculty will benefit from this. This is a very small amount of money compared to rock gym, intramural field lighting. Exec voted unanimously to bring to floor. Contractor is a student owned company.

Petit: reasons denied: it’s the universities job to maintain lands and grounds, and to beautify, so we shouldn’t be paying. To say this won’t happen if Senate won’t pay is silly. There are other veins for this to be funded through, such as Provost’s campus improvement grants. Student Action for Sustainability is also a resource. Could also have done a fundraiser, like Scrounge for the Lounge.

Sinapi: the reason they said it won’t be done is because they say it won’t be. Will already be dredged, a \$25k project, because it floods, which damages building. Will involve landscaping, benches. Opportunities for fountain, et cetera in future. L&G is understaffed and underfunded. Intramural lighting

is bad argument – athletics should have done that, rock gym too. Can run into same argument when I comes up to grants. L&G will maintain it, that has been agreed upon.

Tondreau: Principle of the matter. Ecological matter: dredging is damaging. U isn't doing anything about Housing. We shouldn't be picking up the U's shortcomings with capital investment. As for intramural fields – thousands of students use the fields. What makes you think that they will maintain the improvements? Students will not just sit by the pond.

Holland: Flooding is designed

Sinapi: the dredging will solve the flooding

Vidhi: ORDER

Holland: has had to walk through deep puddles, personal items in dorms have been damaged to

Coates: Intramurals is a club sports things, therefore our responsibility. Rock gym: we already paying for students to go up to PVD for it. We should not be double-paying for things, such as the pond. If they can't we shouldn't let it die, but we shouldn't be paying for it when we could be getting a lot more people involved.

Bedard: those who are only complaining now are about 2yrs behind the ball – that's how long it's been discussed. we've spend more on less, especially w/ programming. This is no different from lights or gym. Students have expressed interest. Quad is well utilized, so the same can be expected for an improved pond. We should just do it. We shouldn't just be sitting on our pot of gold and not doing anything with it. I understand the principle, but as the U says it won't, we should. We have the resources. The student body will appreciate this.

O'Loughlin: keeping the energy positive. on sustainability, ecological health, as a aquaculture senior. Only thing alive in there is ecoli. Dredging will help improve the ecosystem, actually. Bear in mind that every campus tour walks by that pond. Looks like a dump, not a good . Improvement will make them think it's a beautiful campus.

Slater: we're not a pocket for the U to take money from. The pond is the U's problem. We can support it w/o funding it. We refused to pay for Edwards A/V improvements,

Cologna: how is it guaranteed that L&G will keep it up?

Sinapi: L&G is one of the departments that does the maintenance it needs to. They aren't going to

Caisse: to Petit:

Petit: I've raised many concerns along the way. The difference with the gym is that we were already paying for rock gym passes. It was a logical improvement on a something that we already built. With lights, Club sports is Senate supported, and . Landscaping does not create activities.

Holzman: Pond was man-made in the first place, to help

Cahill:

Niel Furtado: Koda's Tree and Landscaping: a couple small trees and shrubberies, thornbrush, removal of a couple of I won't go after the beaver dams. I like beavers, too.

Jones: L&G agreed to dredge the pond...

Sinapi: dredging was planned before hand

Van Fechtmann: Poor logical connection between pond and lights. Pond improvement does not create activities. We should have gotten student involved in this process. Need to do more awareness.

Prata: is it in paper that they will maintain it.

Sinapi: yes

MacKinnon: the amount of \$\$ does not matter. It sets a really bad precedent. U will look to Senate . Improvement making up for long

Sinapi: Utilities and L&G are separate for a reason.

Juhr: I'm convinced that having benches is beneficial, it will improve the area.

Coates: this hypocritical. The original plan was a reflecting stone and . Saying this should be the responsibility of the group and waiting for them to come forward is wrong – we should be getting groups to build it. Also, BISC is being demolished, and new quad will be built, which also will need maintenance. Also, prospective students don't pay

Tondreau: no, L&G aren't doing their job – litter, snow removal. we have a responsibility to spend the student body's money responsibly.

Sinapi: The U never came to us, asking us to do this, unlike Edwards. They were shocked and glad that we proposed this in the first place. Prospective students that see nice things, they end up paying. we try to get student groups out, and receive no input.

Tondreau: what about trash

Sinapi: overspeaks

Coates: Point of Personal Privilege: has a right to ask a question

Shah: gavel

Sinapi: liability issue for students to do it. Degree of student activity is a matter of opinion. You need to vote in the interest in the students, not your personal opinions. This is not our first response. It's been two years. This is our last attempt. Senate isn't known for its fundraising – groups do.

Petit: yield to Officer Mark

Officer Mark Cherino: wow, good debate. It's been a long way coming. Originally proposed it because things here and there were getting named for those who passed. Vision was to become a place of reflection, where all names would be replaced. But a park is a great thing. Told LaRocca they should have a committee and basically pit donors against each other. Should wait til it's dredged, because when they dredge Peckham they ripped up everything.

Bedard: regardless if you agree with his style, Sinapi is right. Feedback has been low by those who want to do it, big by those who want to do it. Comparing it to dorms is rather silly. I can't see how this doesn't benefit students. Those that have solicited feedback, have found positive feedback. This can benefit every student, whereas our programming events only benefits small portions of students. This is a way to jumpstart the project. Don't make faces at me. This is a way to get it done 10 months from now, not 10 yrs. There's solid leadership on Senate that won't allow us to fall down the slippery slope. I will sign this tomorrow morning.

Cahill: on campus affairs – there's a lot of problems with having student groups do it, that's why we decided against it.

Slater: we're here to do what's in the best interest of the student body that isn't the U's responsibility. Ellery residents know that it's unlivable in heavy rain. It's not our job to pay for this when it's 15% of the dredging cost.

Stewart: On this senate for 2yrs, it's ridiculous that nothing has been done. There needs to be a POA by next week.

Sinapi: waiting til dredging – talked to david lambe, they won't be ripping it all up. Donation – planned, but can't do it w/o base funds. They don't need to do this, so why would they care? Plan: wait until U does something.

Stewart: already a bench, lots of litter, not taken care of. Seems like a waste of \$\$.

Holland: student activities tax to provide activities for students.

Sinapi: do we pay the tax

Clarke: redundancy

Cologna: Motion to limit debate

Second: Sinapi

Passes, speakers list closed

Coates: groups can be used to increase awareness, fundraise.

Rosati: pretty small amount of money

Bedard: people are being narrow-minded on what Senate can/can't fund. Majority of students are not involved in groups, and therefore don't benefit from group budgets. Those that took the time to solicit opinions know the feedback is positive. Paying and doing a fundraiser will just drag this out. If you waited til now to express concerns, you should have spoke up earlier. \$3,500 is practically cost on this issue, so we're paying significantly less than if the U sent this out to bid. If you're saying this, you need to form the plan to

Sinapi: POC: L&G can't do some of the work, like tree clearing – no one is trained.

Tondreau: I will start by donating \$50.

Sharkey: If you build it the students will come – “field of dreams”

Petit: PPP: secret ballot.

Coates: Call for the orders of the day

Second: Espinal

Shah: 18:17 – Bill fails.

K. NEW BUSINESS:

L. GENERAL DISCUSSION AND OPEN FORUM:

Maureen: Rainville RSVP's due soon, please get them in. First Night apps go out beginning of April. April 7th – SPO Transition workshop.

Shah: Caisse wins

Petit: yields of Officer Mark: March 14: Open skate night 9-1230,

Bruce: It's nice to be back. Take the high road

O'Loughlin: Hello Bruce.

Slater

Coates: DOC application solicitation in window.

Clarke: EX Affairs meet afterwards

Tondreau: Already \$100 for Ellery

Petit: Applebees: meet up in office. Props to Holzman for taking minutes

Shah: I'll get you a Kudo's bar

Daylights savings times

M. ROLL CALL: AYE: Bickham, Birch, Cahill, Caisse, Clarke, Coates, Cologna, Espinal, Farrow, Ferreira, Holland, Holzman, Jones, Jühr, Long, MacKinnon, Messineo, Navilliet, O'Loughlin, Petit, Prata, Renzi, Rosati, Rossi, Segal, Sharkey, Sinapi, Slater, Stewart, Stewart, Timas, Tondreau, Van Fechtmann, Weiss

NAY: Rodrigues

NO VOTE: Bedard, Shah, Simon

N. ADJOURNMENT: sometime after this long discussion...