

URI GSA Executive Board Meeting Agenda

Date: September 5, 2025

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: The Fascitelli Center for Advanced Engineering Room 462 & Zoom

Members in Attendance: (Executive Council)

Justin Watkins	President
Nausad Miyan	Vice President
Marianne Naana Otoo	Treasurer
Arindam Laha	Secretary
Karolina Wojcik	Past President
Subek Acharya	Webmaster
Ruth Nangeh Najel	Social Media Manager/Event Coordinator Assistant
Moazzem Houssain Saeem	GAU Liaison
Akissi Nelly Aka	Event Coordinator

- **I.** Call to order
- **II.** Approval of Previous Minutes (06/27/2025)
- **III.** Discussion on Vision for the Year
- **IV.** Reports:
 - A. President (Justin Watkins):
 - 1. Constitutional Proposals
 - 2. New Committees
 - 3. Expanded Roles
 - 4. Fee Increase
 - 5. Experimental AI Tools
 - 6. Town Hall Setup for Sue Adams Audience
 - 7. Committee Positions
 - B. Vice President (Nausad Miyan):
 - 1. Poll results: Graduate Conference Director
 - 2. Appointment letter & salary
 - 3. Updated grad student count (college/department-wise)
 - 4. NECHE Accreditation
 - C. Secretary (Arindam Laha):
 - 1. Decision transparency no unilateral actions
 - 2. Major decisions only in meetings (quorum)

- 3. Follow Constitution & Bylaws
- 4. Access to all-graduate email list
- 5. Ghazal Inclusion for Relevant Meeting Portions
- D. Treasurer (Marianne Naana Otoo):
- E. Webmaster (Subek Acharya):
- F. Event coordinator (Akissi Nelly Aka):
- G. Social Media manager (Ruth Nangeh Najel):
- H. Past President (Karolina Wojcik):
- I. GAU Liaison (Moazzem Houssain Saeem):

V. New business

- A. Student Issues & Advocacy: Housing crisis strategy; Grad Village parking fee approach; engineering fee increase; GAU petition plan.
- B. Comms & Transparency: Student correspondence updates; social media tools & engagement metrics; content generation tools; workflow & transparency (Asana).
- C. Graduate Student Conference: Chair appointment details; website advertisement; new digital platform & app; potential amendment language.

VI. Announcement

VII. Open Forum

- A. Events & Programming: Events calendar review & budgets; 3MT/Gala/Graduate Dinner merge plan.
- B. Governance & Senate Ops: Senator self-nominations; orientation; future campaign plans; meeting schedule/rooms; committee formation & chair selection; parliamentarian role.
- C. Finance: Previous-year budget review; status of accounts; Graduate Welcome Luncheon reimbursement update.

VIII. Adjournment