

URI Student Senate | Student Organizations Committee Minutes

Date: 10/12/23

Time: 6:30pm

Present: Chair Johnson, Senators Hook, Milner, Clyde, Scola

Absent: Vice Chair Barbossa, Senator Dumas

Group 1: American Society of Landscape Architecture

Members - 16 Members

Meet - Wednesday at 12:00

Eboard elected by - Google Form (Will Add Write Ins)

Notes -

- Programming includes: guest speakers about landscape architecture, mixers with other schools, workshops
- Chair Johnson looked to ensure that the money given by Student Senate is used correctly, as well as giving a short lecture on the election process
- Chair Johnson asked about the ByLaws, and walked them through the process of getting recognized and all that comes with it
- **Vote - (5-0-0)**

Group 2: TDSB (Talent Development Student Board)

Members: 40-50

Meet: Tuesdays, 5:30-7:00

EBoard Election: Google Form (Write-Ins)

Notes:

- Taught a class UCS 164 During the Summer, had a booth at Rhody Fest, looks to provide a space for TD Scholars
- Have done social events, worked on icebreakers and club relationships, got the career center to contribute to the professional development of the club, a resume workshop, linkedin workshops, and other professional development items
- They want to provide a space for TD Scholars to grow and find a community with each other
- The students and executive board want to convey that anyone can join, even though the club is more geared towards TD Scholars
- Chair Johnson walked the club through the process of their recognition, and gave them a better understanding of what their club would have to complete
- **Vote - (5-0-0)**

Group 3: MSAC (Minority Student Athlete Crew)

Members: 4 Members (Only the EBoard)

Meet: Wednesday 7:00 pm

EBoard Election: Haven't done elections yet due to their recognition status, but will do them if recognized

Notes:

- Was derecognized because they forgot to fill out the financial portion of the form

- Creating a safe space for minority athletes, creating a important support system for athletes of color
- Worked with an advisor (student athlete advising office), now works with Jeff Johnson, the director of DEI and other important on campus organizations and institutions
- Programming and previous action include: Kickback (meeting members / groups), MLK Event on campus, MLK plaque in Keaney Gym commemorating MLK's speech at URI. They also hold a student athlete orientation, and the first Diversity Equity and Inclusion (something that the NCAA requires but URI does not)
- Were recognized last year, but were adjusting to a new schedule, learning how to balance the org, academics, and athletics. Had a difficult time recruiting new members as athletes have difficult and conflicting schedules that make it difficult for them to go to the meetings
- Want to hold a Thanksgiving Turkey Drive / Toy Drive to raise money, and to give the Turkey and Toys back to the URI Community
- Chair Johnson advised the organization to have an election, open communication, and 10 participants in the election (undergraduate)
- **Vote - (0-0-0)**
 - Pushing the voting to the next week

Adjournment Time: 7:09pm

Adjournment Attendance: Chair Johnson, Senator Milner, Senator Scola, Senator Clyde, Senator Hook, Senator Mehorter