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University of Rhode Island Student Senate

December 3rd, 2025 General Assembly Agenda

Recording Secretary:
Meeting Start Time:
A. CALL TO ORDER
B. ROLL CALL
C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
Senator/Chair moves to approve the agenda, seconded by Senator/Chair
D. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
Senator/Chair moves to approve the minutes, seconded by Senator/Chair
F. PUBLIC FORUM

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

- Student Organizations Committee
- Academic Affairs Committee
- External Affairs Committee
- Cultural Affairs Committee
- Campus Affairs Committee

G. REPORTS OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH/CABINET

- Speaker of the Assembly
- Student Body President
- Student Body Vice President
- Director of the Treasury
- Director of Communications

H. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

- Constitutional Review Committee
- Elections Committee
- Podcast Committee

I. REPORT OF THE COURT

- J. ANNOUNCEMENTS
- L. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SS-25/26-29 BILL AMENDING THE STUDENT SENATE BYLAWS

<u>Whereas</u>, the University of Rhode Island Student Bylaws Section 9, Part 1 Student Organization Committee 9.9 reads as follows:

The Chairperson and committee members shall organize and attend monthly meetings of all recognized student organization presidents and or their designees in order to promote communication, community involvement, and training as deemed necessary.

<u>Whereas</u>, the current mandated monthly meetings are less efficient, less attended, and less consequential, oftentimes failing to garner any significant audience of student leaders,

<u>Whereas</u>, revising the requirement to one meeting per semester for organization leadership allows for greater attendance, more efficient training, and streamlined communication between the Student Organization Committee and recognized student organizations,

<u>Whereas</u>, the meeting is to be advertised at least three weeks in advance to give student leaders ample time to prepare and send representatives; with only the president of the senate recognized organization required to attend,

<u>Therefore</u>, updating the frequency in which meetings are to be held will allow for more accountability and engagement between the Student Organization Committee and recognized organizations,

Resolved, be it enacted by the University of Rhode Island Student Senate, that the Student Senate Bylaws, Article 9, Section 9, be amended to replace the current subsection with the following:

9.9 The Chairperson and committee members shall organize one meeting each semester of all recognized student organization presidents and/or their designees in order to promote communication, community involvement, and training as deemed necessary. Attendance shall be required for both the president and/or their designees of each organization. The meeting is mandatory; any organization which fails to send a representative will receive a penalty at the discretion of the committee and relevant professional staff.

SPONSOR: BILL HANDLER: DATE: Student Organizations Committee Senator Curry, Chairman Milner Wednesday, November 19th, 2025 RECOMMENDATION: (6-0-0)
ACTION: Vote Next Week

M. NEW BUSINESS

SS-25/26 – 30 BILL CALLING FOR THE ALLOCATION OF CATEGORY TRANSFERS FROM THE PROGRAMMING LINE TO THE OPERATIONAL LINE AND FROM THE CONVENTION/REGISTRATION LINE TO THE HOUSING LINE FOR URI ALPINE

<u>Whereas</u>, the URI Alpine submitted a budget request on time for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, and is thereby eligible to apply for category transfers, and

<u>Whereas</u>, on November 19th, 2025, URI Alpine submitted a Category Transfer Request Form to transfer \$4,500.00 from Category 130 (Programming) to Category 213 (Operational) to allocate more funds to benefit team members during training camp and more events to the proper operational category, and

<u>Whereas</u>, on November 19th, 2025, URI Alpine submitted a Category Transfer Request Form to transfer \$800.00 from Category 236 (Convention/Registration) to Category 700 (Housing) to increase the housing budget for increased membership, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the Director of Treasury has met with the E-Board of URI Alpine and has determined that these category transfers will better align the club's budget with their operational needs for training camps, events, and housing accommodations for their growing membership, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in accordance with the Student Senate Finance Handbook, category transfers exceeding \$1,000 require approval by the Student Senate General Assembly, and

<u>Whereas</u>, URI Alpine has demonstrated fiscal responsibility and has sufficient funds in Category 130 (Programming) and Category 236 (Convention/Registration) to complete these transfers without compromising their programming and convention registration needs, and

Resolved, that URI Alpine receive a \$4,500.00 category transfer from Category 130 (Programming) to Category 213 (Operational) to better support team members during training camps and ensure proper categorization of operational events, and

Resolved, that URI Alpine receive a \$800.00 category transfer from Category 236 (Convention/Registration) to Category 700 (Housing) to accommodate the increased housing budget needs resulting from increased membership, which will enhance the club's ability to provide quality alpine skiing experiences and strengthen URI's commitment to student recreation and competitive sports development.

SPONSORS: Chairs Singh, Hudson, Gonzalez, Troxell, and Senator Williamson BILL HANDLER: VDOT Keomany (DOT Njende)

DATE: Wednesday December 3rd, 2025
RECOMMENDATION: (5-0-0)
ACTION: VOTE TONIGHT

K. SPECIAL ORDERS

- Pass the Gavel A.E.

N. GENERAL DISCUSSION AND OPEN FORUM

O. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting End Time: