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University of Rhode Island Student Senate
December 4th, 2024 General Assembly Agenda

Recording Secretary: Lynn Sawyer

Meeting Start Time:

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

D. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

E. PUBLIC FORUM

*Lucas DeWitt, Coordinator of Organization Advising and Interim Student Senate Advisor ~
Presenting on URInvolved and the Fall 2024 Student Senate Elections*

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

- Elections Committee

I. REPORT OF THE COURT

J. ANNOUNCEMENTS

K. SPECIAL ORDERS

L. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

M. NEW BUSINESS

SS-24/25-18 – BILL CALLING FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF THE FALL 2024 STUDENT SENATE ELECTION

Whereas, the list below includes those who have confirmed their elected senate positions

Martin, Beyonce (First Year), Abbott, Tailah (On Campus), Romano, Carli (At Large), Curry, Caitlin (Off Campus), Connolly, Olivia (Off Campus), Singh, Arpan (First Year), Troxell, Jackson (Education & Professional Studies), Paulino, Victor (College of arts & Sciences), Macrae, Lyla (College of Environmental & Life Sciences), Alemany, Lindsey (First Year), therefore so be it

Resolved, that the open positions for On Campus Representatives, Off Campus Representatives, and First Year Representative are conditional on the acceptance of the positions by those elected by the end of the day, and be it

Resolved, that the University of Rhode Island Student Senate hereby certifies the official, tabulated results of the Fall 2024 election as presented by the Elections Committee.

SPONSOR(S):	Elections Committee
BILL HANDLER:	Chair Walding
DATE:	December 4th, 2024
RECOMMENDATION:	(5 - 0 - 0)
EXPIRATION:	Valid Until Spring 2025 Re-Election
ACTION:	Vote Tonight

Swearing in of newly elected senators

SS-24/25-19 – BILL CALLING FOR THE ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF “RED CROSS CLUB” AS A SENATE-RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATION

Whereas, the Red Cross Club mission statement is, “Working with the Providence Red Cross, students can work hand in hand with the community, by preparing local towns with resources for natural disasters. It can help students gather leadership skills and responsibility or even show students what disaster relief efforts are. Showing students what's going on in the world around us can offer hands-on opportunities. By simply coming to a meeting, students can learn more about a topic. The club can strengthen students' collaborative skills and responsibility”, and

Whereas, Red Cross Club meets the requirements to be a senate-recognized student organization, and

Whereas, it is custom for the senate to do so, therefore be it

Resolved, that the University of Rhode Island Student Senate acknowledges Red Cross Club as a recognized organization, and be it

Resolved that Red Cross Club is provided with the first-year financial benefits package of \$100 which is to be paid out over the course of the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

SPONSOR:	Student Organizations Committee
BILL HANDLER:	Chair Milner
DATE:	December 4th, 2024
RECOMMENDATION:	(4-0-0)
EXPIRATION:	Valid Until Next Re-Recognition
ACTION:	Vote Tonight

SS-24/25-20 – BILL CALLING FOR THE ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF “CHINESE GAMES CLUB” AS A SENATE-RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATION

Whereas, the Chinese Game Club’s mission statement is, “To spread the culture and language to other URI students. For example, learning how to play Mahjong or Chinese chess/checkers. During Chinese festivities, we can host events in which students can learn more about Chinese culture. Also, as a Chinese Flagship student, I can spread information about the program in which students can have the opportunity to travel to Taiwan.”, and

Whereas, the Chinese Games Club meets the requirements to be a senate-recognized student organization, and

Whereas, it is custom for the senate to do so, therefore be it

Resolved, that the University of Rhode Island Student Senate acknowledges Chinese Games Club as a recognized organization, and be it

Resolved that Chinese Games CI is provided with the first-year financial benefits package of \$100 which is to be paid out over the course of the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

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ACTION:	Vote Tonight

SS-24/25-21 – BILL CALLING FOR THE ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF “GOLF CLUB” AS A SENATE-RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATION

Whereas, Golf Club’s mission statement is, “To provide unique opportunities for students to play, learn, and compete in a competitive golf setting. Our members will learn skill development, leadership and teamwork skills, sportsmanship, integrity, physical well-being, and school spirit along with pride. As there are no other options for students to play competitive recreational golf as a part of a team, our club will give them an opportunity to be a part of one.”, and

Whereas, Golf Club meets the requirements to be a senate-recognized student organization, and

Whereas, it is custom for the senate to do so, therefore be it

Resolved, that the University of Rhode Island Student Senate acknowledges Golf Club as a recognized organization, and be it

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ACTION:	Vote Tonight

SS-24/25-22 – BILL CALLING FOR THE ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF “Student Organ Donor Advocates” AS A SENATE-RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATION

Whereas, SODA’s mission statement is, “The purpose of the volunteer training is to learn about organ donation and become more comfortable with having meaningful conversations about the topic. There will be at least one volunteer training session on campus per semester. The purpose of the other educational events is to learn about organ donation from social, ethical, and biomedical perspectives”, and

Whereas, SODA meets the requirements to be a senate-recognized student organization, and

Whereas, it is custom for the senate to do so, therefore be it

Resolved, that the University of Rhode Island Student Senate acknowledges SODA as a recognized organization, and be it

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N. GENERAL DISCUSSION AND OPEN FORUM

O. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting End Time: