

**URI STUDENT SENATE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY MINUTES
27 January 2021**

- **CALL TO ORDER – 6:32 p.m.**
- **ROLL CALL –**
 - Present** – Bentley, Blake, Bove, Cajigas, Champion, Diaz, Gamache, Gibson, Henry, Hilyard, Hoover, Jedson, Johnson, Kiernan, McGrath, Pitts, Salvo, Shindler, Siegle, Taiwo, Thiel, Turano, Tyson, Urena, Williams.
 - Absent** – Alyrati (excused), Degnan, Eustis, Gleason, Khalfayan, Kittle, Lewin, Parker, St. Germain
 - Guests** – Cox, Jedson, Perrone, Ramsay A, Ramsay M, Stiles
- **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** – The agenda for tonight's meeting was approved by unanimous consent.
- **READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** – The minutes from the meeting of December 9, 2020 were approved by unanimous consent.
- **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – There were no announcements.
- **PUBLIC FORUM** – No one spoke during the public forum.
- **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**
 - Student Organization Committee – Chair Siegle reported that the first committee meeting would be on Thursday. Discussion would include the re-recognition process for student organizations which was due by March 1, 2021, a review of the stipend process, and meeting with two new organizations.
 - Academic Affairs Committee – Chair McGrath reported that work would begin by reaching out for items for this semester.
 - External Affairs Committee – No report
 - Cultural Affairs Committee – Chair Taiwo reported that Black History month would be an upcoming focus.
 - Campus Affairs Committee – Chair Bentley reported that a Blue Light Walk was being planned for this semester.
 - Instruments Committee – Chair Bove reported that a meeting of this committee was being held on Thursday at 7:00 p.m. to go over the Constitution and by-laws.
 - Executive Committee
 - Director of Information – Director Margolin was looking for members to serve on the Mental Health Committee that has been established.

- Director of Communications – Director Cox requested the office hours from Committee Chairs for posting. The newsletter was being compiled and would be coming out soon. An email was sent out regarding Black History month with a request for submissions.
- Director of Treasury – No report
- Director of Operations – President Ramsay reported that Director Diallo was working on the budget and planning some fundraisers.
- Vice President – Vice President Ramsay reported that the scheduling of elections was a priority.
- President – President Ramsay reported that the mural committee was looking for someone to participate and that there were still openings for liaison positions.
- **REPORT OF THE COURT** – Ethan Jedson reported that an online complaint box was being worked on.
- **REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**
 - Liaisons – No report
- **SPECIAL ORDERS**
 - Nominations for Elections Committee – President Ramsay and Chair Bentley were both nominated and the nominations seconded. The vote would take place at a future meeting.
 - Nominations for College of Arts and Sciences Representative – None
 - Nominations for University College Representative – None
 - Nominations for Off-Campus Representative (6 seats available) – None
 - Nominations for At-Large Representative (2 seats available) – None
 - Nominations for College of Health Sciences Representative – None
- **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – No unfinished business
- **NEW BUSINESS** – No new business
- **GENERAL DISCUSSION AND OPEN FORUM** – Director Stiles asked that if there were any members of leadership that the Senate would like to hear from he would facilitate the necessary invitations.
- **ADJOURNMENT** – 6:49 p.m.