



**URI STUDENT SENATE – GENERAL ASSEMBLY
MINUTES - B
7 April 2021**

A. CALL TO ORDER – 7:19 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Present – Aidala, Asante, Bove, Blake, Duarte, Eustis, Gamache, Gibson, Harnett, Henry, Hilyard, Johnson, Kiernan, Kittel, Longolucco, North, Salvo, Siegle, Shindler, Thiel, Tyson

Absent – Askar, Turano, Alryati, Johnson, Williams,

Guests – Bentley, Campbell, Diaz, Hoover, Jedson, McGrath, Perrone, Silva, Stiles, Taiwo, Urena

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

D. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – There were no minutes to approve from the previous meeting.

E. ANNOUNCEMENTS – There were no announcements.

F. PUBLIC FORUM – No one spoke during the public forum.

G. SPECIAL ORDERS

- Confirmation of cabinet nominees

Director of Communications – No one was confirmed as the Director of Communications.

Director of Information – Yasmin Diaz was confirmed as the Director of Information with 19 votes.

Director of Operations – Randy Urena was confirmed as the Director of Operations with 16 votes.

Director of the Treasury – Chris Hoover was confirmed as the Director of the Treasury with 19 votes.

- Confirmation of court nominees – Bove motioned to open nomination and upon completion, close nominations and move into voting by unanimous consent. The motion was seconded by Siegle. President Taiwo nominated Alex Jedson to the court. A vote was taken and Ethan Jedson and Alex Jedson were confirmed to the court with 17 votes and 15 votes respectively.

- Nominations for Speaker – Chair Bove nominated Senator Hilyard for Speaker and was seconded by Gibson. Senator Kiernan nominated Senator Thiel for Speaker and was seconded by North. This was voted on by secret ballot and Senator Hilyard was elected Speaker with 17 votes. Thiel received 0.

The following nominations were made and will be voted on at the next meeting.

- Nominations for Student Organizations Committee Chair – Senator Bove nominated Senator Siegle for this position. This nomination was seconded by Senator Thiel.
- Nominations for Academic Affairs Committee Chair – Senator Kiernan nominated Senator Shindler for this position. This nomination was seconded by Senator North. Senator Tyson nominated Chair Bove for this position. This nomination was seconded. There were no further nominations or discussion.
- Nominations for External Affairs Committee Chair – Senator Thiel nominated Chair Kiernan for this position. This nomination was seconded by Senator North. There were no further nominations or discussion.
- Nominations for Cultural Affairs Committee Chair – Senator Bove nominated Senator Tyson for this position. This nomination was seconded. There were no further nominations or discussion.
- Nominations for Campus Affairs Committee Chair – Senator Henry nominated Senator Gamache for this position. This nomination was seconded. Also, Chair Bove was nominated for this position but he respectfully declined. There were no further nominations or discussion.

H. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

- Student Organization Committee – No report.
- Academic Affairs Committee – No report.
- External Affairs Committee – No report.
- Cultural Affairs Committee – No report.
- Campus Affairs Committee – No report.
- Executive Committee – No report.

I. REPORT OF THE COURT – No report.

J. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES – No report.

K. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – There was no unfinished business.

L. NEW BUSINESS – There was no new business.

M. GENERAL DISCUSSION AND OPEN FORUM –

Director Hoover remarked that he was looking forward to next semester.

President Taiwo thanked everyone and said that she was looking forward to next year.

N. ADJOURNMENT – 8:06 p.m.