

## **EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES**

**11TH SEPT 2024**

### REPORTS:

- Student body President
  - Welcome Maureen McDermott, Director of the Memorial Union
  - Board of Trustees meeting today and Full Board meeting coming up
  - At FlourishFest, had a good time connecting with student body
  - Sasaki Architecture firm meeting (regarding Comprehensive Campus plan) is on Tuesday, Sept 17th, 12:30-1pm online
  - Encourage Chairs and Executive team to partake with this meeting
  - Decided to share questions to aks during the meeting
  - Asked about feedback on how to use Clockify
  - Positive feedback on the identification badges
  - Looking to be a strong contender for Rainville which means serving the larger community
    - Lauren: What if we make a community service liaison for this position? Focus on dedicated search for community service opportunities
    - Meilin: Can we make mental health liaison into a special-committee for more joint efforts?
  - Spoke with RhodyThon and they are open to collaboration
  - Need to form an Election Committee soon, aiming for end of Sept and announce elections first week of Oct
    - Maureen: Create an organized system of dates to provide interested students
    - Lauren: Elections committee decides on the dates; plan to put it on the agenda soon
    - Argha: Is there a way to maintain neutrality?
    - Maureen: Depends on how you speak/present the elections committee; maintain a strong list of criteria
    - Argha: How do we go about the way to addressing issues, such as last year's endorsement by elections committee
- Student body VP
  - Clockify is the main platform for tracking office hours
  - People still have not signed up for Clockify
  - Plan to give a rundown on how to use the platform
- Director of Treasury
  - Finance training is tomorrow, Sept 12th 2024
  - Only a few clubs were unaware; makeup training is being set up
  - New finance handbook has been updated with new edits and changes
  - Making an announcement searching for VDOT
    - Argha: Saw the email from Office of Student Involvement regarding
    - Maureen: we approved it through our office; three weeks rule is for anything involving financing office

- Sanah: Does the office have the ability to cancel any paperwork if it is less than 3 weeks?
    - Maureen: Yes, but the office is willing to work students however the paperwork has been submitted the day of the event at times, which is why the rule is enforced
- Director of Communications
  - ABSENT
- Speaker
  - President Parlange is attending this week; Barbara Wolfe is attending next week
  - Shall be giving pamphlet and presentation on how to participate in senate procedures/meeting
  - Email me if any of you are interested in giving a presentation during Open forum
  - Plan to ask Daniel Graney or Ellen Reynolds as speaker
    - Argha: Have you considered putting Markeisha Miner as a speaker — director of CED? Perhaps Directors of MSSC, Gender and Sexuality center, and Women's Center
    - Lauren: shall be adding them
  - Looking to see bills on the floor
  - Sophie Pramuka dropped out of Off Campus representative
  - All student groups are welcome to attend and speak during Open forum, but if you are inviting anyone, please let me know which group shall be attending to set up good expectations
    - Maureen: Last week's meeting was great, if any of you have issues, please work it out amongst yourselves. If not, know that you can meet with me to resolve issues as well. Open door policy with everyone!
  - NorthWoods outing (11am to 2pm) was approved, but should we make it mandatory for members?
    - Argha: Suggest incentivizing with office hours instead of making it mandatory
- Student Organizations Committee Chair
  - BridgeUSA is receiving external funding for their org
    - Argha: Is that not allowed?
    - Joey: You cannot receive external funding for a chapter
    - Argha: If we began to investigate, then we might find many people doing the same thing
    - Maureen/Nick Cronan/Joey: Cannot double dip
- Academic Affairs Committee Chair
  - ABSENT
- External Affairs Committee Chair
  - Considering making it mandatory for external to partake in community service/volunteering — trying to improve the image of URI students
  - New ordinance resulting in immediate fining of students
    - Lauren:
- Cultural Affairs Committee Chair

- Elected Vice Chair — shall be discussed and updated formally in the future
- MUSIC meetings are Thursdays, struggling to find a liaison within committee; shall establish communication this week
- Campus Affairs Committee Chair
  - Met with Director Cooley; has updates for housing and campus life
  - Two representatives requested for Public Safety committee and Housing and Student Advisory committee
  - Put out interest forms for liaisons
  - Meeting with Ellen to discuss menstrual products; specifically any other avenues to fund products

EVENTS:

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QUESTIONS: NONE

SUGGESTIONS: Try to sit with fresh senators in General to meet with new people!