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URI STUDENT SENATE – GENERAL ASSEMBLY MINUTES January 24, 2024

Recording Secretary: Chair Peckham

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL

Present: Buono, Cayer, Chadronet, China, Clyde, Collins, Cronan, DeLorenzo, Della Selva, Ebrahimpour, Hlazkova, Hook, Hook, Hoover, Hudson, Hurowitz, Mccloskey, Milner, Newman, John Njende, Peckham, Reyes, Rinne, Rudolph, Sundell, Wentworth, Walding.

Excused: Confessore, Corsi, Cruz, Emami, Kelling, Mehorter, Ndonye, Palmer, Sama, Scola, Small.

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chair Buono moves to approve the agenda, seconded by Chair Peckham/

The motion passes.

D. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Ebrahampour encourages all to attend the Winter Wellness Fair, Student Senate table on Feb 7th. 10-2PM

E. PUBLIC FORUM

President Rizk on Executive Branch and Presidential Agenda

Senator Ndjende asks how the syllabus bank will be available to students. President Rizk clarifies that it should be available for students online and maintained by one of the university's IT departments.

Senator Ndjone asked about advertising Rockbox in the dining halls

F. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

- Student Organization Committee
 - Committee meeting will likely be on Tuesdays 5-6PM
- Academic Affairs Committee
 - Committee meetings on Mondays 5:30-6:30PM
 - Senator Ebrahampour is now the mental health liaison
- External Affairs Committee
 - Has recently presented the General Assembly's Resolution condemning the Narragansett Town Council to the Narragansett Town Council
 - Commuter Student Newsletter should be available starting next month

- Voter registration initiatives
- Cultural Affairs Committee
 - Two Narcan trainings this semester
 - Tuesday Feb 6th 5:30PM
 - Monday March 4th 5:30PM
- Campus Affairs Committee
 - Committee meetings are Mondays 4-5PM in the Senate Office
 - Please fill out the When2Meet
 - Will be meeting with Thomas Cooley on HRL issues so reach out if you are interested in joining the meeting
- Executive Committee
 - Speaker
 - The minutes for the last meeting will be released next week
 - Very few people are eligible for elections committee
 - President
 - Bus passes that were paid for by the Senate will be made available to undergraduate students in the Senate Office
 - Vice President
 - Title IX is looking for students to assist in the hiring process for a new coordinator
 - Director of Treasury
 - Working on the budget
 - Director of Communications
 - Connect with LinkedIn page

G. SPECIAL ORDERS

Nominations for Student Organizations Chair

Senator Hook nominates Acting Chair Clyde, seconded by Senator Newman.

Nominations and Elections for the Elections Committee (5)

Speaker Chadronet explains that any member of the elections committee is disqualified from the respective election.

- Note: Members of the Elections Committee may not run in an election which they oversee.

Senator Ebrahampour nominates Senator Rudolph, seconded by Chair Peckham.

Chair Peckham nominates Acting Chair Clyde, seconded by Senator Rudolph.

Chair Buono nominates Director Bose, seconded by Chair Hoover.

Senator Newman nominates Senator DeLorenzo, seconded by Senator Rudolph.

Senator Rudolph nominates Chair Hoover, seconded by Senator Hook

The nominees are elected and the Elections Committee is formed.

H. GENERAL DISCUSSION AND OPEN FORUM

- I. ROLL CALL
- J. ADJOURNMENT