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## The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees Meeting

**Saturday, October 24, 2020 • 9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. EDT**

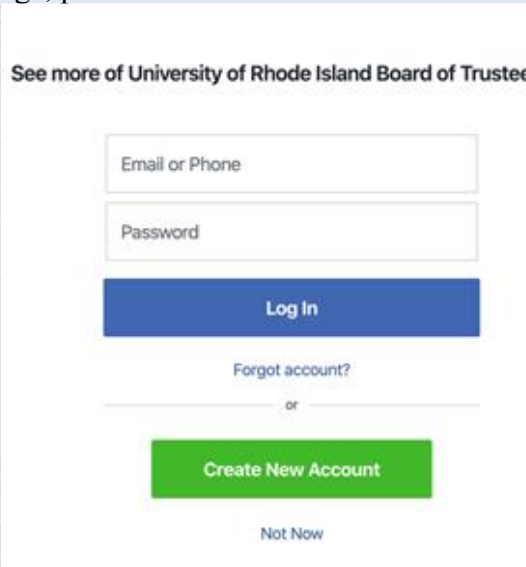
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## AGENDA

### **1. ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA**

### **2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

- a. Minutes of the August 22, 2020 Meeting [Enclosure 2a](#)
- b. Minutes of the September 11, 2020 Meeting [Enclosure 2b](#)

### **3. OPEN FORUM**

*Note: public participants must submit an online public comment form requesting permission to speak no less than 2 hours in advance of the meeting. The online request form and instructions for submission can be found via this [link](#).*

### **4. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board may seek to enter into Executive Session for the following items:

- a. **Discussion regarding collective bargaining pursuant to RIGL 42-46--5(a)(2) with the following:**
  1. URI Physician's Association, NEARI (Tentative Agreement)
  2. Graduate Assistants United, NEARI (Tentative Agreement)

### **5. EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTION ITEMS:**

- a. Ratification of collective bargaining agreement with the URI Physician's Association/NEARI
- b. Ratification of collective bargaining agreement with Graduate Assistants United, NEARI

### **6. REPORT OF THE CHAIR**

- a. Update on Board Activities

### **7. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

- a. **Governance Committee Report**
  - Committee Update
  - Presidential Search Update -John Isaacson and Isaacson, Miller representatives
- b. **Institutional Risk and Compliance Committee Report**
  - Update-10/23/2020 Committee Meeting
- c. **Facilities and Finance Committee Report**
  - Update-10/23/2020 Committee Meeting
- d. **University Advancement and External Affairs Committee Report**
  - Update-10/23/2020 Committee Meeting
- e. **Academic Affairs, Research, and Student Life Committee Report**
  - Update-10/23/2020 Committee Meeting

### **8. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

- a. **State of the University**

## **9. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- a. **Presentation of the URI Fall Enrollment Report** [Enclosure 9a](#)  
- Provost Don DeHayes

## **10. ACTION ITEMS**

- a. **Approval of the Revised 2021 Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule** [Enclosure 10a](#)
- b. **Approval of an amendment removing responsibility for the oversight of the University's Academic Strategic Plan from the charter of the University Advancement and External Affairs Committee** [Enclosure 10b](#)
- c. **Approval of an amendment adding responsibility for the oversight of all collective bargaining issues to the charter of the Executive Committee** [Enclosure 10c](#)
- d. **Approval of an amendment removing the review of University financial statements from the charter of the Institutional Risk and Compliance Committee and adding to the charter of the Finance and Facilities Committee the review of the University financial statements and budgets and provide committee recommendations for board approval**  
[Enclosure 10d](#)  
[Enclosure 10d\(i\)](#)
- e. **Approval of Awarding Tenure to Dr. Gaurav Khanna, Professor of Physics, College of Arts and Sciences** [Enclosure 10e](#)
- f. **Approval of the University of Rhode Island Total Budget Request, Tuition and Fee Rates, and Tables of Organization for FY 2022, and the Total Budget Allocations for FY 2021** [Enclosure 10f](#)  
- Linda Barrett, Director, Budget and Financial Planning
- g. **Approval of the University of Rhode Island Capital Improvement Plan for FY2022-2026** [Enclosure 10g](#)  
- Ryan Carrillo, Director, Planning and Real Estate Development
- h. **Approval of the audited financial statements for the University of Rhode Island for FY ending June 30, 2020**  
[Enclosure 10h](#)  
- Roby Luna, URI Board of Trustees, and Abigail Rider, Vice President for Finance and Administration
- i. **Approval of timeline and selection process for external auditors**  
- Roby Luna, URI Board of Trustees, and Abigail Rider, Vice President for Finance and Administration

- j. Approval of a resolution authorizing the University of Rhode Island to borrow money in the name of and on behalf of the Board of Trustees for emergency conditions during FY 2021**  
[Enclosure 10j](#)
  
- k. Approval to advance Africana Studies and Gender and Women’s Studies from “Program” to “Departmental” status. Note: Organizational changes approved by Faculty Senate on 9/17/20 and by President Dooley. [Enclosure 10k](#)**  
- Provost Don DeHayes and Dean Jeanette Riley, College of Arts and Sciences

**11. ADJOURN**

**The next meeting of the URI Board of Trustees is scheduled for January 15, 2021.**