THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND



FACULTY SENATE OFFICE

Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting # 10 Minutes for September 19, 2018 Library Conference Room B

- **A.** Meeting called to order at 11:03. Present were Senators Honhart, Derbyshire, Nassersharif, Gindy, Leonard and Morokoff.
- B. APPROVED MEETING MINUTES FSEC Meeting #9 September 12,2018

C. ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE/REPORTS/Updates

1. The ACLU-URI Student Chapter - Chair updated the Committee about a student voting initiative organized by the ACLU-URI Student Chapter. The group is interested s encouraging faculty to consider accommodations related to Election day at the September meeting of the Faculty Senate. These include adding Election Day as an excused absence similar to holy days and University-sanctioned events (UM 8.51.11-12) or holding no classes on Election Day.

2. Chair reported on meeting with Vice President for Research and Economic Development Peter J. Snyder. VP Snyder will address Faculty Senate meeting on December 6th.

3. Chair provided an update of the September 17th meeting with the Provost.

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **ABM** – The matter of the committee(s) to review the ABM framework was revisited. Because the ABM framework affects both undergraduate and graduate students and because an expeditious and thorough review is sought, the FSEC recommends the formation of a sixmember special committee as permitted by UM 8.85.12. This committee is charged with reviewing the ABM framework as specified in Appendix K of the Graduate School Manual (https://web.uri.edu/graduate-manual/appendix-k/) and making recommendations for change, if necessary. The goal is to have the committee report back to the FSEC expeditiously. Possible committee members were discussed. Chair Hillary will reach out to potential committee members.

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Vice Chair Nassersharif informed the Committee that he will present his notice of resignation from the IT Committee. FSEC will need to look for a replacement.

F. ADJOURNMENT at 12:57