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**Faculty Senate Executive Committee  
#21 Meeting Minutes Thursday December 5, 2018**

1. The meeting was called to order at 11: 03 AM on Wednesday December 12, 2018 in the Library Conference Room B, Chair Leonard presiding. Senators Derbyshire, Honhart, Gindy, Vice Chair Nassersharif, and Morokoff were present. Guest speaker: Vice President of Administration and Finance Abigail Rider
2. **MEETING MINUTES** November 14, 2018 and November 28, 2018 were approved.
3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
  - a. Vice Chair reported the current Administrator Evaluation Committees of Dean Wolfe, Liguori, and Kirby are now complete including the Provost appointees. The Administrator Evaluation Coordinator, Vice Chair Bahram Nassersharif, will meet with the committees to review the Committee charge and Process Summary the week of December 10th, 2018.
4. **ONGOING BUSINESS**
  - a. The Faculty Senate Executive Committee discussed the status of work of the Special Committee to Review Accelerated Bachelor's to Master's Program (ABM) and requested the final report from be presented to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee.
  - b. The next meeting of the to discuss the report of the Administrator Evaluation Ad Hoc Committee Report is scheduled for Tuesday December 13, 2018 at 1 PM.
5. Vice President of Administration and Finance **Abigail Rider joined the meeting.**

Vice President Rider reported changes in URI's purchasing authority and how this impacts the University.

Traffic congestion on campus and traffic safety on Upper College including speed of vehicles and lighting of crosswalks was discussed.

Vice President Rider addressed a previous concern of a Faculty Senate Executive Committee member about URI's ability to bid on State of Rhode Island contracts. The University of Rhode Island does not need to be on the State Master Price List as they are part of the State of Rhode Island government and hence there is no impediment to contract. Vice President Rider referred to a document to this effect that could be shared with State employees to clarify.

Hiring practices were discussed.
6. **The meeting adjourned at 12:52 PM.**