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**The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees  
ad hoc special Real Estate Committee Meeting  
Thursday, January 25, 2024 at 9:45 a.m. EST**

**The University of Rhode Island  
Room 207 Avedisian Hall  
7 Greenhouse Road, Kingston, RI 02881**

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**

Ad hoc special Real Estate Committee Chair Michael Fascitelli welcomed everyone to the University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees ad hoc special Real Estate Committee and asked for a roll call. Noting that a quorum of members of the Committee was present, the meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m. The meeting was held in person with Committee members participating remotely. Public access to the meeting was available via the YouTube video platform and can be viewed at <https://web.uri.edu/trustees/meetings/>.

The URI Board of Trustees ad hoc special Real Estate Committee members in attendance:

- Michael Fascitelli, Committee Chair (remote)
- Margo Cook, Board of Trustees Chair (remote)
- Armand Sabitoni, Board of Trustees Vice Chair (remote)
- President Marc Parlange (ex officio, non-voting) (remote)

URI Board of Trustees ad hoc special Real Estate Committee member not in attendance:

- Vahid Ownjazayeri

*"The University of Rhode Island occupies the traditional stomping ground of the Narragansett Nation and the Niantic People. We honor and respect the enduring and continuing relationship between the indigenous people and this land by teaching and learning more about their history and present-day communities, and by becoming stewards of the land we, too, inhabit."*

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URI President's Executive Council members in attendance:

- Abby Benson, Interim Vice President, Administration and Finance (remote)
- Chelsea Berry, Interim Senior Advisor to the President and Chief of Staff (remote)
- Alyssa Boss, General Counsel (remote)
- Ellen Reynolds, Vice President, Student Affairs (remote)
- Barbara Wolfe, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs (remote)

URI staff members in attendance:

- Karl Calvo, Assistant Vice President, Facilities Group (remote)
- Ryan Carrillo, Director, Planning and Real Estate Development (remote)
- Michelle Curreri, Secretary, Board of Trustees (in person)
- Dulcie Ilgenfritz, Specialist, Real Estate Transactions, Planning and Real Estate Development (remote)
- Daniel Moos, Assistant to the Vice President for Administration and Finance (remote)
- Lynn Owens, Associate Secretary, Board of Trustees (in person)

## 1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- a. **Minutes of the October 30, 2023 ad hoc special Real Estate Committee Meeting, [Enclosure 1.a.](#)**

Chair Fascitelli called for a motion to approve the minutes of the October 30, 2023 meeting.

On a motion duly made by Armand Sabitoni and seconded by Margo Cook, it was

VOTED:	THAT	The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees ad hoc special Real Estate Committee accept the Minutes for the meeting of October 30, 2023.
	VOTE:	3 members voted the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative.
	YEAS:	Margo Cook, Michael Fascitelli, Armand Sabitoni
	NAYS:	0
	ABSTAINS:	0

## 2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

**The Committee may seek to enter into executive session for the following items:**

- a. **Discussions or considerations related to the acquisition or lease of real property for public purposes, or of the disposition of publicly held property wherein advanced public information would be detrimental to the public interest, pursuant to R.I.G.L. § 42-46-5(a)(5), and discussion of a matter related to the question of the investment of public funds where the**

**premature disclosure would adversely affect the public interest, pursuant to R.I.G.L. § 42-46-5(a)(7) including:**

- **Student Housing**
- **URI Campuses**
- **Peckham Farm**
- **URI Property Acquisition and Use Planning**

Chair Fascitelli called for a motion that the ad hoc special Real Estate Committee convene into executive session for discussions or considerations related to the acquisition or lease of real property for public purposes, or of the disposition of publicly held property wherein advanced public information would be detrimental to the public interest, pursuant to R.I.G.L. § 42-46-5(a)(5), and discussion of a matter related to the question of the investment of public funds where the premature disclosure would adversely affect the public interest, pursuant to R.I.G.L. § 42-46-5(a)(7), including:

- Student Housing
- URI Campuses
- Peckham Farm
- URI Property Acquisition and Use Planning

On a motion duly made by Margo Cook and seconded by Armand Sabitoni, it was

VOTED: THAT The ad hoc special Real Estate Committee convene into executive session for discussions or considerations related to the acquisition or lease of real property for public purposes, or of the disposition of publicly held property wherein advanced public information would be detrimental to the public interest, pursuant to R.I.G.L. § 42-46-5(a)(5), and discussion of a matter related to the question of the investment of public funds where the premature disclosure would adversely affect the public interest, pursuant to R.I.G.L. § 42-46-5(a)(7), including:

- Student Housing
- URI Campuses
- Peckham Farm
- URI Property Acquisition and Use Planning

VOTE: 3 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative.

YEAS: Margo Cook, Michael Fascitelli, Armand Sabitoni

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

At 10:04 a.m., the ad hoc special Real Estate Committee convened into Executive Session. Virtual public access was paused.

At 10:58 a.m., the ad hoc special Real Estate Committee returned to Open Session. Virtual public access resumed.

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Chair Fascitelli called for a motion that the URI Board of Trustees ad hoc special Real Estate Committee seal the minutes of the Executive Session that took place on January 25, 2024.

On a motion duly made by Margo Cook and seconded by Armand Sabitoni, it was

VOTED:	THAT	The URI Board of Trustees ad hoc special Real Estate Committee seal the minutes of the Executive Session that took place on January 25, 2024.
	VOTE:	3 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative.
	YEAS:	Margo Cook, Michael Fascitelli, Armand Sabitoni
	NAYS:	0
	ABSTAINS:	0

### 3. ADJOURN

Chair Fascitelli called for a motion that the ad hoc special Real Estate Committee of the University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees adjourn the meeting of January 25, 2024.

On a motion duly made by Armand Sabitoni and seconded by Margo Cook, it was

VOTED:	THAT	The URI Board of Trustees ad hoc special Real Estate Committee adjourn the January 25, 2024 meeting.
	VOTE:	3 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative.
	YEAS:	Margo Cook, Michael Fascitelli, Armand Sabitoni
	NAYS:	0
	ABSTAINS:	0

The meeting adjourned at 11:01 a.m.