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**The University of Rhode Island  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
Friday, April 25, 2025 · 9:00 a.m. EDT**

**The University of Rhode Island  
Brookside South Residence Hall  
40 W. Alumni Avenue, Kingston, RI 02881**

**This meeting will be held in person and will use videoconferencing.**

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official "location" where access to the meeting is guaranteed.  
Being physically present at the meeting is the only way to guarantee  
complete access to the meeting.**

**AGENDA**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

*Margo Cook, Chair*

**2. TRIBUTE TO THE LATE SENATE PRESIDENT DOMINICK RUGGERIO**

*Margo Cook, Chair*

**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 can be found via this [link](#).

**4. REPORT OF THE CHAIR**

*Margo Cook, Chair*

- a. Introduction: Mark Antonucci, Ed.D., Chief Executive Officer, University of Rhode Island Foundation and Alumni Engagement, and Vice President for Advancement, University of Rhode Island
- b. Recent URI Events
- c. Recognition of Board Members

**5. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

*Marc Parlange, President*

- a. Community Updates
- b. Government Relations Update
- c. Strategic Plan Priority 1 Update

**6. STUDENT LIFE AND ATHLETICS COMMITTEE REPORT**

**a. Update – April 15, 2025 Committee Meeting**

*Tom Ryan, Committee Chair*

**7. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

- a. **Discussion regarding a matter related to the question of the investment of public funds, which includes any investment plan or matter related thereto, where the premature disclosure would adversely affect the public interest, pursuant to R.I.G.L. § 42-46-5(a)(7); specifically:**
  - (i) **Research support from partner organizations**  
*Bethany Jenkins, Vice President, Research and Economic Development*
- b. **Discussion regarding potential litigation, pursuant to R.I.G.L. § 42-46-5(a)(2), and 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).**  
*Marc Parlange, President*  
*Barbara Wolfe, Provost and Executive Vice President, Academic Affairs*
- c. **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), specifically:**
  - (i) **Update on New University Housing (P3)**
  - (ii) **Use of W. Alton Jones Campus**
  - (iii) **Development of Property on or around Campus**  
*Abby Benson, Vice President, Administration and Finance*
- d. **Discussion pursuant to R.I.G.L. § 42-46-5(a)(7) as it relates to the question of the investment of public funds where the premature disclosure would adversely affect the public interest, specifically:**
  - (i) **Update on Series 2018A and 2018B Bonds – Audit**  
*Abby Benson, Vice President, Administration and Finance*

- e. **Discussion regarding collective bargaining with all bargaining units, pursuant to R.I.G.L. § 42-46-5(a)(2), including discussion of:**
  - (i) **PSA/NEA/URI: Professional Staff Association**
  - (ii) **PTAA/URI: Professional Technical Administration Association**
  - (iii) **PTF: Part-Time Faculty**
  - (iv) **AAUP/URI: American Association of University Professors**
  - (v) **GAU/NEARI: URI Graduate Assistants United**
  - (vi) **Maritime Professional Association**
  - (vii) **URI Physicians Assoc/NEARI**
  - (viii) **ESP - URI/NEARI: Educational Support Professionals**

*Becky Hill, Vice President, Human Resources*

## **8. REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

### **a. Ad hoc special Real Estate Committee Report**

- (i) Update – April 8, 2025, Ad hoc special Real Estate Committee Meeting  
*Michael Fascitelli, Committee Chair*

### **b. Governance Committee Report**

- (i) Update – April 15, 2025, Governance Committee Meeting  
*Jay Placencia, Committee Vice Chair*

### **c. Academic Affairs and Research Committee Report**

- (i) Update – April 16, 2025, Academic Affairs and Research Committee Meeting  
*Neil Kerwin, Committee Chair*

### **d. Finance and Facilities Committee Report**

- (i) Update – April 17, 2025, Finance and Facilities Committee Meeting  
*Armand Sabitoni, Committee Vice Chair*
- (ii) DISCUSSION ITEM: Approvals under the Delegation of Authority to the President Relating to Land and Property [Enclosure](#)  
*Abby Benson, Vice President, Administration and Finance*
- (iii) DISCUSSION ITEM: Capital Improvement Plan FY2027-2031 [Enclosure](#)  
*Abby Benson, Vice President, Administration and Finance*

**9. ACTION ITEM**

- a. Approval of a 3% across-the-board salary increase for non-union, non-classified employees effective June 29, 2025.**

*Becky Hill, Vice President, Human Resources*

**10. OMNIBUS VOTE ON COMMITTEE-RELATED ACTION ITEMS AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

ACTION: Approval of the actions described below, as recommended by the referenced committees and presented in the referenced enclosures where applicable:

**Approval of Minutes:**

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the February 13, 2025, Board Meeting. [Enclosure](#)

**Student Life and Athletics Committee recommended action:**

- b. Approval of amendments to the Student Life and Athletics Committee Calendar. [Enclosure](#)

**Academic Affairs and Research Committee recommended action:**

- c. Approval of the awarding of undergraduate and graduate degrees, diplomas, certificates, and honors to be conferred by the President to the candidates who will have completed their requirements at the conclusion of the Spring 2025 term and who are approved by the faculty of the University of Rhode Island. [Enclosure](#)
- d. Approval of the awarding of a posthumous academic degree at Spring Commencement 2025. [Enclosure](#)

**Finance and Facilities Committee recommended action:**

- e. Approval of Contracts in Excess of \$5 Million: Oracle, Inc. [Enclosure](#)
- f. Approval of the Demolition of Certain Buildings; specifically, Buildings 5A, 5B, 5D at 5 West Alumni Avenue, 25B, 25C, 25D and Meade Stadium bleacher seating at 25 West Alumni Avenue on the Kingston Campus [Enclosure](#)
- g. Approval to Purchase 42 Upper College Road, Kingston, RI. [Enclosure](#)

## **11. ADJOURN**

The next URI Board of Trustees Meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 27, 2025.

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