

**The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees
Academic Affairs and Research Committee Meeting
Monday, September 16, 2024 · 3:00 p.m. EDT**

**The University of Rhode Island
Beagle Board Room, The Alumni Center
73 Upper College Road, Kingston, RI 02881**

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

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AGENDA

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- a. Minutes of the June 17, 2024, Academic Affairs and Research
Committee Meeting [Enclosure](#)**
Dr. Neil Kerwin, Committee Chair

2. REPORT OF THE CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER

- Dr. Barbara Wolfe, Provost and Executive Vice President, Academic
Affairs*
- a. AI Task Force [Enclosure](#)**
b. Personnel appointment/upcoming searches
c. New Faculty

3. REPORT OF THE CHIEF RESEARCH OFFICER

Dr. Bethany Jenkins, Vice President, Research and Economic Development

- a. Division of Research and Economic Development Strategic Updates**
- b. Impacts and Outcomes of Research, Scholarship, and Creative Work of the Faculty; Research Metrics for the University**
- c. Economic development efforts and impacts of University partnerships and initiatives:**
 - **Business Engagement Center within the URI Foundation & Alumni Engagement**
 - **URI Research Foundation**

4. DISCUSSION ITEM

a. Preliminary Enrollment Update

Dr. Barbara Wolfe, Provost and Executive Vice President, Academic Affairs

Dr. Dean Libutti, Associate Vice President for Enrollment and Student Success

5. ACTION ITEM

- a. Review of the awarding of undergraduate and graduate degrees, diplomas, certificates, and honors to be conferred by the President to the candidates who have completed their requirements at the conclusion of the Summer 2024 term and who are approved by the faculty of the University of Rhode Island, and recommendation to the URI Board of Trustees. [Enclosure](#)**

Dr. Barbara Wolfe, Provost and Executive Vice President, Academic Affairs

6. ADJOURN

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