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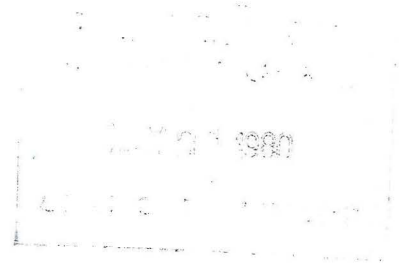
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UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND  
Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE  
BILL

Adopted by the Faculty Senate



TO: President Frank Newman

FROM: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

- 1. The attached BILL, titled Recommendation of the Research Policy and Facilities Committee for the creation of a URI Council for Research.

\_\_\_\_\_ is forwarded for your consideration.

- 2. The original and two copies for your use are included.
- 3. This BILL was adopted by vote of the Faculty Senate on May 15, 1980 (date).
- 4. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original or forward it to the Board of Regents, completing the appropriate endorsement below.
- 5. In accordance with Section 8, paragraph 2 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective on June 5, 1980 (date), three weeks after Senate approval, unless: (1) specific dates for implementation are written into the bill; (2) you return it disapproved; (3) you forward it to the Board of Regents for their approval; or (4) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum. If the bill is forwarded to the Board of Regents, it will not become effective until approved by the Board.

May 16, 1980  
(date)

Alvin K. Swonger  
Alvin K. Swonger  
Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

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ENDORSEMENT

TO: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

- 1. Returned.
- 2. a. Approved ✓.
- b. Approved subject to final approval by Board of Regents \_\_\_\_\_.
- c. Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_.

5/23/80  
(date)

F. Newman  
President

UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND  
Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE

April 18, 1980

Revised Recommendations of the Research Policy and Facilities Committee

- A. When the April 17 meeting of the Faculty Senate was adjourned, the following amended recommendations of the Research Policy and Facilities Committee were on the floor:

Recommendation of the REPOFAC: That the Faculty Senate approve the following recommendations to be reviewed and editorially adjusted by the CBUM Committee for inclusion in the University Manual:

X.XX.X URI Council for Research. This council shall be a committee of faculty active and experienced in research and scholarly activities, administrators and students concerned with various aspects of the research effort at URI. Its main objective will be to promote the concept that research and other creative scholarly activity is an important function of the University, equivalent to but not separable from its function as an instructional institution. The committee will attempt to achieve this objective in part by serving as the representative voice of the University research community and in part by aggressively seeking to improve in all ways possible the environment for research at URI.

X.XX.XI Specific Charges to the Council:

- 1) Seek to establish a high level administrative office and a centralized administrative structure for research affairs and advise on the selection of its components.
- 2) Respond to all requests from Board of Regents and State Legislature for information about research affairs at URI.
- 3) Seek to identify all problems which hinder research efforts at URI and provide recommendations on their correction, or apply pressure to make needed changes.
- 4) When requested to do so, advise all campus groups and offices on matters relating to research.
- 5) Develop policies for the management of research affairs at URI.
- 6) Develop and participate in programs to solicit research funding for URI.
- 7) Serve as the advisory council for the Vice President for Research Affairs, whenever that office becomes established.
- 8) Assure a broad interpretation of research so as to promote the well-being of all creative scholarly activity at URI. *in research policy*
- 9) Submit to the Senate REPOFAC all requests for changes which require the Senate's approval.

X.XX.XII Membership of the Council: The membership of the Council shall consist of three faculty members, including the chairperson of the Faculty Senate Research Policy and Facilities Committee, chosen by the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate; one faculty member from the research community chosen by the Vice President in charge of research; one member of the Council of Deans Chosen by that council; one director (or associate or assistant director) of a research center or bureau and one college business manager chosen by the Vice President for Academic Affairs; one graduate student chosen by the Graduate Student Association; one undergraduate student appointed by the undergraduate Research Grant Committee; and the Coordinator of Research as a voting, *ex officio* member. The ten regular members shall be appointed to two-year terms commencing in September.

with the exception of the undergraduate student member who may serve for either one or two year terms. Wherever the same person or body is charged with selecting two or more members, their terms shall be staggered. The Coordinator of Research shall be responsible for calling the initial meeting of the Council each Fall, at which meeting the Council shall elect its own chairperson for the year from among the ten regular members. The name of the chairperson shall be made known to the University Community and reported to the President and to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee for publication in the minutes of the Senate.

X.XX.XIII Meetings, agenda items, appointment of subcommittees, etc. Subsequent meetings of the Council shall be held at the call of its chairperson, as often as required to accomplish its purposes but at least twice each semester. The Coordinator shall serve as Secretary to the Council. Items for its agenda, which may be submitted to the Chairperson or to the Coordinator, shall normally come from the President, the Council of Deans, the Faculty Senate or its Executive Committee, the Faculty Senate Research Policy and Facilities Committee, the University Research Committee, research bureaus and centers, principal investigators, or the Coordinator of Research, and will be provided to council members at least two weeks prior to the scheduled meeting.

The Council shall appoint a subcommittee <sup>chaired by a member of the Council,</sup> to allocate faculty grants-in-aid and summer faculty fellowships from the University research fund, advise the Coordinator of Research regarding the stimulation and implementation of faculty research projects and be responsible for maintaining the University Research Facilities Inventory. This committee shall also review reports of inventions or discoveries arising from class 1 research as provided in 10.41.11 and 10.41.14.\*

\* Approval of this paragraph would supersede the current 5.52.10 and 5.52.11. The references to the Research Committee in 10.41.11 and 10.41.14 would be editorially changed to refer to this subcommittee.