

Council of Rhode Island College
Friday, November 13, 2015
SU 307 – 2:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Group Photo of Council Members
3. Chair's Announcements
4. Approval of the Minutes of the October 9, 2015 Council Meeting
5. Consideration of Proposals from the Committee on Academic Policies and Procedures (Paul Tiskus, chair) - Dual Degree Programs, Student Work Expectations, Religious Observance in Attendance Regulations)
6. Report from the Ad-Hoc Facilities Committee (Eric Roberts, chair)
7. Summary Report of the Spring 2015 Advising Need Survey (Michelle Brophy-Baermann, Director of Faculty Advising)
8. Report from Rob Smith on the activities of Student Community Government
9. Open Discussion
10. Remarks from President Carriuolo
11. Adjournment

ADAPTED FROM THE CHARTER OF THE COUNCIL OF RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE

The Council consists of 38 members: 31 full-time faculty members (one from each academic department and five at-large), the President of the Adjunct Faculty Union, two representatives of the Professional Staff, two undergraduate students, the VPAA, and the President of the College.

According to the Charter (ratified in 1963), the Board of Governors for Higher Education charges the President of Rhode Island College with the task of carrying out the functions that the Board assigns to this institution. Nothing in the Charter shall be construed as abrogating the right of the Administration to initiate and adopt policy duly approved by the Board of Governors.

The function of the Council is to evaluate current policies, and to recommend such amendments and additions as are deemed necessary or desirable to provide for the most effective operation of the College. The Council may properly consider matters of college-wide concern to the faculty (other than those that are purely administrative or those governed by collective bargaining agreements) which are referred to it by the Administration, by the 28 Council committees, or by any member of the faculty.

Recommendations of Council to alter College policy must have the approval of the President before they take effect. The President and other officers of the Administration agree not to alter College policy of concern to the faculty until Council and the faculty have been informed in writing of the proposed change and given reasonable time to react.