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Student Association Senate Meeting

October 24, 2023 - 5:00 PM

SU 378 (SA Conference Room), Amherst, NY 14260

Present

Becky Paul Odionhin, SA President; **Sammi Pang**, SA Vice President; **Unnati Agarwal**, SA Treasurer; **Veronica Faltisco**, Academic Council Coordinator; **Joe McCusker**, Engineering Council Coordinator; **Tyler Herman**, Special Interest Council Coordinator; **Cole Fredericks**, Student Affairs Director; **Laibah Ahmed**, Senator; **Drew Burdette**, Senator; **Amadou Dieng**, Senator; **Riya Gaikwad**, Senator; **Gavin Krauciunas****, Senator; **Benjamin Lau**, Senator; **Krithik Madisetty**, Senator; **Aryan Mudgal**, Senator; **Morgan Ross***, Senator; **Dilasha Thapa**, Senator; **Jamel Usen**, Senator; **Kayla Yan**, Senator.

Asterisk (*) indicates member arrived late or left prior to adjournment.

Double asterisks (**) indicate member title changed during meeting.

Absent

Joan Liu, International Council Coordinator; **Ashrith Rao**, Sports Council Coordinator.

Guests

Nicholas Abbott, UB Spectrum; **Benjamin Coppers**, Society of Automotive Engineers; **Will Eaton**, Student Association Contract Assistant; **Sol Hauser**, UB Spectrum; **Joshua Korman**, Student Association Attorney; **TJ Ledwith**, Society of Automotive Engineers.

Call to Order

Becky Paul Odionhin, SA President, calls meeting to order at 5:01 PM.

Approval of Minutes

Becky Paul Odionhin, SA President, introduces May 8, 2023 Senate Meeting Minutes for consideration.

Motion to approve May 8, 2023 Senate Meeting Minutes by Tyler Herman;
second Sammi Pang.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

Result: May 8, 2023 Senate Meeting Minutes are approved.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Becky Paul Odionhin, SA President, introduces committee assignments as topic of discussion.

No action taken.

Becky Paul Odionhin, SA President, introduces the SA Senate Chairperson election.

Becky Paul Odionhin, SA President, opens and calls for nominations for the position of SA Senate Chairperson.

Aryan Mudgal, Senator, nominates themselves for the position of SA Senate Chairperson.

Gavin Krauciunas, Senator, nominates themselves for the position of SA Senate Chairperson.

Drew Burdette, Senator, nominates themselves for the position of SA Senate Chairperson.

Motion to close the nomination period for the SA Senate Chairperson election by Unnati Agarwal; second Gavin Krauciunas.

Without objection, the motion passes with unanimous consent.

Result: Nomination period for the SA Senate Chairperson election is closed.

Motion to remove Drew Burdette, Senator, from the list of nominees for the position of SA Senate Chairperson by Sammi Pang; second Gavin Krauciunas.

Becky Paul Odionhin	Yes
Sammi Pang	Yes
Unnati Agarwal	Yes
Veronica Faltisco	Yes
Joe McCusker	Yes
Tyler Herman	Yes
Cole Fredericks	Yes
Laibah Ahmed	Yes
Drew Burdette	Yes
Amadou Dieng	Yes

Riya Gaikwad	Yes
Gavin Krauciunas	Yes
Benjamin Lau	Yes
Krithik Madisetty	Yes
Aryan Mudgal	Yes
Morgan Ross	Yes
Dilasha Thapa	Yes
Jamel Usen	Yes
Kayla Yan	Yes

19 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to remove Drew Burdette, Senator, from the list of nominees for the position of SA Senate Chairperson passes 19-0-0.

Result: Drew Burdette, Senator, is removed from the list of nominees for the position of SA Senate Chairperson.

Motion to recess the Senate meeting for three minutes by Becky Paul Odionhin; second Sammi Pang.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

Result: Senate meeting recesses at 5:17 PM.

Becky Paul Odionhin, SA President, calls meeting to order at 5:20 PM.

Aryan Mudgal, Senator, speaks to Senate, yielding the remainder of their three minutes to the Senate.

Gavin Krauciunas, Senator, speaks to Senate, yielding the remainder of their three minutes to the Senate.

Senate automatically enters a question-and-answer period for five minutes.

Motion to extend the question-and-answer period by five minutes by Unnati Agarwal; second Kayla Yan.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

Result: Question-and-answer period is extended by five minutes.

Motion to extend the question-and-answer period indefinitely by Tyler Herman; second Amadou Dieng.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

Result: Question-and-answer period is extended indefinitely.

Morgan Ross, Senator, leaves at 5:36 PM.

Motion to end the question-and-answer period by Unnati Agarwal; second Benjamin Lau.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

Result: Question-and-answer period ends.

Becky Paul Odionhin, SA President, calls the roll. The Senate proceeds to vote in the SA Senate Chairperson election.

Becky Paul Odionhin	Abstain
Sammi Pang	Gavin Krauciunas
Unnati Agarwal	Gavin Krauciunas
Veronica Faltisco	Gavin Krauciunas
Joe McCusker	Gavin Krauciunas
Tyler Herman	Gavin Krauciunas
Cole Fredericks	Gavin Krauciunas
Laibah Ahmed	Gavin Krauciunas
Drew Burdette	Abstain
Amadou Dieng	Gavin Krauciunas
Riya Gaikwad	Gavin Krauciunas
Gavin Krauciunas	Gavin Krauciunas
Benjamin Lau	Gavin Krauciunas
Krithik Madisetty	Gavin Krauciunas
Aryan Mudgal	Aryan Mudgal
Dilasha Thapa	Gavin Krauciunas
Jamel Usen	Gavin Krauciunas
Kayla Yan	Gavin Krauciunas
15 Gavin Krauciunas, 1 Aryan Mudgal, 2 Abstain	

The Senate casts 15 votes for Gavin Krauciunas, 1 vote for Aryan Mudgal, and 2 abstentions. Gavin Krauciunas is elected SA Senate Chairperson.

Result: Gavin Krauciunas, Senator, is elected SA Senate Chairperson.

Gavin Krauciunas, SA Senate Chairperson, assumes the chair.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting by Sammi Pang; second Becky Paul Odionhin.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

Result: Meeting is adjourned at 5:47 PM.



University at Buffalo Student Association Inc.

Senate Meeting Minutes

May 8, 2023

Student Union 378

Present

Becky Paul Odionhin, SA President; Ian Roma, Senate Chairperson; Matthew Dowd, Hobby Council Coordinator; Krish Thakkar, Senator; Tyler Herman, Senator; Amelia Kelly, Senator; Jesse Orozco, Engineering Council Coordinator; Ariel Clarke, Student Affairs Director; Jessica Ellis, International Council Coordinator; Cameron Kiner, Senator

Absent

Sammi Pang, SA Vice President; Justin Barnes, Sports Council Coordinator; Connor Sullivan, Senator; Samantha Ezihie, Senator; Alana Lesczynski, SA Treasurer; Barakat Sahi, Senator; Fatoumata Camara, Senator; Tangeniqua Washington, Senator; Grace Osaba, Academic Council Coordinator; Taylor Lewis, POC Council Coordinator

Guests

Will Eaton, Daniella Kata, Connor Irwin, Alex Oren, Fatima Makama, Suha Chowdhury, Zanaya Hussain, Joshua Korman

Call to Order

Ian Roma, Senate Chairperson, calls the meeting to order at 5:05 pm

Approval of Minutes

- I. Ian Roma, Senate Chairperson, introduces Audit Committee Minutes for approval
Motion to approve Audit Committee Minutes by Becky Paul Odionhin
Second Matthew Dowd
Without objection, the motion passes by unanimous consent

Conclusion: Audit Committee Minutes approved

Old Business

- I. Ian Roma, Senate Chairperson, introduces Resolution - 2022-2023 - 13 - Resolution to Pay Senate Chairperson
Motion to table Resolution - 2022-2023 - 13 by Tyler Herman
Second Krish Thakkar
Without objection, the motion passes by unanimous consent

Conclusion: Resolution - 2022-2023 - 13 - Resolution to Pay Senate Chairperson Tabled

New Business

- I. Ian Roma, Senate Chairperson, introduces Supplemental Funding Request by American Society of Civil Engineers

American Society of Civil Engineers presents to the Senate

Motion to approve American Society of Civil Engineers Supplemental Funding Request, in the amount of \$3,850, by Tyler Herman

Second Jesse Orozco

Tyler Herman	Yes
Krish Thakkar	Yes
Cameron Kiner	Yes
Matthew Dowd	Yes
Ariel Clarke	Yes
Jessica Ellis	Yes
Ian Roma	Yes
Becky Paul Odionhin	Yes
Jesse Orozco	Yes
Amelia Kelly	Yes

10 Favor, 0 Against, 0 Abstain

Conclusion: American Society of Civil Engineers Supplemental Funding Request for \$3,850 Approved

II. Ian Roma, Senate Chairperson, introduces Resolution - 2022-2023 - 32 - Resolution to Extend New Club Recognition Policy Deadline

Motion to approve Resolution - 2022-2023 - 32 by Matthew Dowd

Second Tyler Herman

Tyler Herman	Yes
Krish Thakkar	Yes
Cameron Kiner	Yes
Matthew Dowd	Yes
Ariel Clarke	Yes
Jessica Ellis	Yes
Ian Roma	Yes
Becky Paul Odionhin	Yes
Jesse Orozco	Yes
Amelia Kelly	Yes

10 Favor, 0 Against, 0 Abstain

Conclusion: Resolution - 2022-2023 - 32 - Resolution to Extend New Club Recognition Policy Deadline Approved

III. Ian Roma, Senate Chairperson, Resolution - 2022-2023 - 31 - Resolution to Amend the By-Laws of University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. Regarding Coordinators

Motion to approve resolution 2022-2023 - 31 by Tyler Herman

Second Becky Paul Odionhin

Tyler Herman	Yes
Krish Thakkar	Yes
Cameron Kiner	Yes
Matthew Dowd	Yes
Ariel Clarke	Yes
Jessica Ellis	Yes
Ian Roma	Yes
Becky Paul Odionhin	Yes
Jesse Orozco	Yes
Amelia Kelly	Yes

10 Favor, 0 Against, 0 Abstain

Conclusion: 2022-2023 - 31 - Resolution to Amend the By-Laws of University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. Regarding Coordinators Approved

- IV. Ian Roma, Senate Chairperson, introduces a period of discussion on the New Club Recognition Policy

Conclusion: No Action Taken

Adjournment

- I. Motion to Adjourn meeting by Tyler Herman
Second Ariel Clarke
Without Objection, the motion passes by unanimous consent

Conclusion: Meeting of the Senate Adjourned at 5:23 pm

Supplemental Funding Request

American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)

Submission IP: 172.101.65.36

Submission ID: 27610

Submission Date: 05-03-2023 12:42:55

Council: Engineering

Club Name: American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)

Requested Through: Senate Supplemental Funding - ianroma@buffalo.edu

Requested by: Daniella Kata, President (dmkata@buffalo.edu)

Event Description:

Event Name: 2023 National ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition

Event Start date and time: 06/10/2023 12:30 PM

Event End date and time: 06/12/2023 12:30 PM

The ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition provides students a unique opportunity to gain hands-on practical experience while testing their skills with concrete mix designs and project management challenges. The competition includes a design paper, an oral presentation, a display of their canoe, and racing of their canoe by the UB ASCE students. The results of the competition are based on their performance in all four of those categories. The UB ASCE Concrete Canoe team has qualified and been invited to the 2023 ASCE National Concrete Canoe competition. Only 21 teams worldwide are invited to compete at the national finals.

Benefits of the event to UB undergraduates:

Sending the UB concrete canoe team to compete at the National finals will give all UB undergraduate students exposure at an international level. UB's name recognition and reputation as a world-class university will be reinforced through participation at this event, and all UB undergraduate students will benefit from this.

Purpose of event:

Participation in the 2023 ASCE National Concrete Canoe Competition has been the goal of the UB-ASCE student chapter concrete canoe team for the entire academic year 2022-2023. The team has been working on their concrete canoe project since the rules were released in Fall 2022. The team qualified for the National event after winning 1st place at their regional event which was hosted at UB in April. Participation at the national event is by invitation only, and the team has been invited. At the national event, only 21 teams from across the US and around the world will compete.

Itemized list of how items are to be used:

Item 1:	10 National ASCE Concrete Canoe Student Registration Fees @ \$350 each	3500
Item 2:	1 National ASCE Concrete Canoe Advisor Registration Fee @ \$350 each	350
Item 3:		
Item 4:		
Item 5:		
Total:		3,850.00

Current Budget Info:

Current Budget: \$5773.39

Current encumbrances for this event:

Encumbrance 1:	Planned: ASCE Steel Bridge team is also invited to their National final. 6 plane tickets at \$750 each	4500.00
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Encumbrance 2:	Planned: ASCE Steel Bridge hotels to drive bridge to national final competition in San Diego, 5 nights there and back at \$127.73 average each	1273.39
Encumbrance 3:		
Encumbrance 4:		
Encumbrance 5:		

Other money being requested or has been granted for this event (from other supplemental funding lines):

Other 1:	
Other 2:	
Other 3:	

Will there be ticket sales? - No

Other information that you want the reviewer(s) to know::

The UB ASCE steel bridge team also qualified for nationals at the ASCE regional event hosted by UB in April. Plans are simultaneously being made to send the UB ASCE steel bridge team to their national final competition in San Diego, CA. This will completely deplete the \$5773.39 balance currently in our account since most of the team will be flying to the competition. To ensure safe delivery of the bridge, 4 of the team members will be driving to the competition with the bridge in a vehicle. Hotels for this vehicle trip and airfare for the other members will completely deplete the \$5773.39 balance. For this reason, UB ASCE requests Supplemental Funds to cover the Concrete Canoe registration fees of \$3850 so that no one has to pay out of pocket to attend their national competition. Thank you for your consideration.

Club Name: American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)

Council: Engineering

Amount of money: _____

Event money is to be used for: 2023 National ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition

Date of event: 06/10/2023 12:30 PM

Chair of Senate: _____

Print name & date: _____

Meeting date that the Supplemental Funding request was voted on: _____

Final approval to be added to a Budget Adjustment

SA Treasurer signature: _____

Print name & date: _____

Money to be transferred to club as part of Budget Adjustment: _____



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Resolution - 2022-2023 - #32

Subject: Resolution to Extend Deadline

Submitted by: Becky Paul Odionhin, President; Sammi Pang, Vice President; Alana Lesczynski, Treasurer

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution - 2022-2023 - 28, which was previously adopted by the University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. (“SA”) Senate, the following sentence was added as the first sentence of point 7 of the section entitled “Gaining Recognition” in the University at Buffalo Student Association Inc.’s “New Club Recognition Policy”: “Except for clubs in the Academic, Engineering, or Sports Councils, and clubs whose sole purpose is to engage in inter-collegiate competition, no SA club may be a chapter of or otherwise part of any outside organization.”

AND WHEREAS, all existing SA-recognized clubs were allowed until May 17, 2023 to come into compliance with point 7 of the section entitled “Gaining Recognition” of the New Club Recognition Policy;

AND WHEREAS, the SA Officers and Senate desire to allow existing SA-recognized clubs additional time to come into compliance with said new policy, and to extend said deadline to May 31, 2023;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that all existing SA-recognized clubs shall have until May 31, 2023 to come into compliance with point 7 of the section entitled “Gaining Recognition” of the New Club Recognition Policy, and that any club’s failure to do so will result in the automatic derecognition of that club.



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Resolution - 2022-2023 - 31

Subject: Resolution to Amend the By-Laws of University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. Regarding Coordinators

Be it resolved, Section 5.04(b)(iii) of the By-Laws of University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. ("SA") shall be amended and replaced as follows:

In the alternative, a Coordinator may be removed with or without cause by a written petition signed by a majority of the club presidents in that council and delivered to the SA President; without limitation, electronic signatures are acceptable for this purpose.

AND BE IT RESOLVED that Underlining used in the foregoing provisions is for convenience of reference here only, and such text will not be underlined in the amended SA By-Laws.

AND BE IT RESOLVED that the foregoing shall take effect immediately.