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University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. Senate Meeting

December 4, 2024 - 5:00 PM

Student Union Room 378, University at Buffalo North Campus
Amherst, NY 14260

Present

Samin Bhuya, SA President; **Louis Poon**, SA Treasurer; **Gavin Krauciunas**, Senate Chairperson; **Veronica Faltisco**, Academic Council Coordinator; **Nithya Santhapriya**, Engineering Council Coordinator; **Jacob Murphy***, Hobby Council Coordinator; **Joan Liu**, International Council Coordinator; **Stephanie Kacou***, P.O.C. Council Coordinator; **Aidan Sumrall**, Special Interest Council Coordinator; **Tyler Herman**, SA Student Affairs Director; **Kayla Yan**, Senator; **Benjamin Lau**, Senator; **TJ Ledwith**, Senator; **Joseph Pawelczyk**, Senator; **Cole DeVantier**, Senator; **Jack Koscinski**, Senator; **Saqib Khan**, Senator; **Ryder Albano**, Senator; **Adam Bilali**, Senator; **John Stanton**, Senator.

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

Absent

Killian Hannigan, SA Vice President; **Ashrith Rao**, Sports Council Coordinator; **Sherry Smith**, Senator.

Call to Order

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, calls the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, proceeds to call the roll.

Samin Bhuya	Present
Killian Hannigan	Absent
Louis Poon	Present
Gavin Krauciunas	Present
Veronica Faltisco	Present
Nithya Santhapriya	Present
Jacob Murphy	Absent
Joan Liu	Present

Stephanie Kacou	Absent
Aidan Sumrall	Present
Ashrith Rao	Absent
Tyler Herman	Present
Kayla Yan	Present
Benjamin Lau	Present
TJ Ledwith	Present
Joseph Pawelczyk	Present
Cole DeVantier	Present
Jack Koscinski	Present
Saqib Khan	Present
Sherry Smith	Absent
Ryder Albano	Present
Adam Bilali	Present
John Stanton	Present

18 Present, 5 Absent

Finding a quorum is present, the Senate proceeds with the order of business.

Approval of Minutes

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces November 13, 2024 Senate Meeting Minutes for consideration.

Motion to approve November 13, 2024 Senate Meeting Minutes by Louis Poon; second Samin Bhuya.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

****Result: November 13, 2024 Senate Meeting Minutes are approved.****

Old Business

None.

New Business

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Budget Adjustment #24-10 for consideration.

Motion to approve Budget Adjustment #24-10 by Samin Bhuya; second Louis Poon.

Samin Bhuya	Yes
Louis Poon	Yes
Gavin Krauciunas	Yes
Veronica Faltisco	Yes
Nithya Santhapriya	Yes
Joan Liu	Yes
Aidan Sumrall	Yes
Tyler Herman	Yes
Kayla Yan	Yes
Benjamin Lau	Yes
TJ Ledwith	Yes
Joseph Pawelczyk	Yes
Cole DeVantier	Yes
Jack Koscinski	Yes
Saqib Khan	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Adam Bilali	Yes
John Stanton	Yes

18 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to approve Budget Adjustment #24-10 passes 18-0-0.

****Result: Budget Adjustment #24-10 is approved.****

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Resolution 2024-2025 - S#10 (“Resolution to Amend Election Rules”) for consideration.

Motion to approve Resolution 2024-2025 - S#10 by Jack Koscinski; second Benjamin Lau.

****Jacob Murphy, Hobby Council Coordinator, enters at 5:05 PM.****

Samin Bhuya	Yes
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Louis Poon	Yes
Gavin Krauciunas	Yes
Veronica Faltisco	Yes
Nithya Santhapriya	Yes
Jacob Murphy	Abstain
Joan Liu	Yes
Aidan Sumrall	Yes
Tyler Herman	Yes
Kayla Yan	Yes
Benjamin Lau	Yes
TJ Ledwith	Yes
Joseph Pawelczyk	Yes
Cole DeVantier	Yes
Jack Koscinski	Yes
Saqib Khan	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Adam Bilali	Yes
John Stanton	Yes

18 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstain

Motion to approve Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#10 passes 18-0-1.

****Result: Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#10 is approved.****

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#11 (“Resolution to Amend Supplemental Funding Policy”) for consideration.

Motion to approve Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#11 by Benjamin Lau; second Joseph Pawelczyk.

Samin Bhuya	Yes
Louis Poon	Yes
Gavin Krauciunas	Yes
Veronica Faltisco	Yes

Nithya Santhapriya	Yes
Jacob Murphy	Yes
Joan Liu	Yes
Aidan Sumrall	Yes
Tyler Herman	Yes
Kayla Yan	Yes
Benjamin Lau	Yes
TJ Ledwith	Yes
Joseph Pawelczyk	Yes
Cole DeVantier	Yes
Jack Koscinski	Yes
Saqib Khan	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Adam Bilali	Yes
John Stanton	Yes

19 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to approve Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#11 passes 19-0-0.

****Result: Resolution 2024-2025 - S#11 is approved.****

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#12 (“Resolution to Add Members to Audit Committee”) for consideration.

Motion to approve Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#12 by Benjamin Lau; second John Stanton.

Samin Bhuya	Yes
Louis Poon	Yes
Gavin Krauciunas	Yes
Veronica Faltisco	Yes
Nithya Santhapriya	Yes
Jacob Murphy	Yes
Joan Liu	Yes

Aidan Sumrall	Yes
Tyler Herman	Yes
Kayla Yan	Yes
Benjamin Lau	Yes
TJ Ledwith	Yes
Joseph Pawelczyk	Yes
Cole DeVantier	Yes
Jack Koscinski	Yes
Saqib Khan	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Adam Bilali	Yes
John Stanton	Yes

19 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to approve Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#12 passes 19-0-0.

****Result: Resolution 2024-2025 - S#12 is approved.****

Motion to consider Resolutions 2024-2025 - S#13 (“Resolution to Establish Advocacy Committee”) and 2024-2025 - S#15 (“Resolution to Establish Advocacy Committee”) simultaneously by Tyler Herman; second Aidan Sumrall.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

****Result: Resolutions 2024-2025 - S#13 and 2024-2025 - S#15 are considered simultaneously.****

Motion to deny Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#13 and approve Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#15 by Kayla Yan.

Kayla Yan withdraws their motion.

****Stephanie Kacou, P.O.C. Council Coordinator, enters at 5:19 PM.****

Motion to table Resolution 2024-2025 - S#14 until the following Senate meeting and to deny Resolutions 2024-2025 - S#13 and 2024-2025 - S#15 by Kayla Yan; second Nithya Santhapriya.

Samin Bhuya	Yes
Louis Poon	No

Gavin Krauciunas	Yes
Veronica Faltisco	No
Nithya Santhapriya	Yes
Jacob Murphy	No
Joan Liu	No
Stephanie Kacou	Yes
Aidan Sumrall	No
Tyler Herman	No
Kayla Yan	Yes
Benjamin Lau	Yes
TJ Ledwith	Yes
Joseph Pawelczyk	No
Cole DeVantier	Yes
Jack Koscinski	No
Saqib Khan	No
Ryder Albano	Yes
Adam Bilali	Yes
John Stanton	Yes

11 Yes, 9 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to table Resolution 2024-2025 - S#14 until the following Senate meeting and to deny Resolutions 2024-2025 - S#13 and 2024-2025 - S#15 passes 11-9-0.

****Result: Resolution 2024-2025 - S#14 is tabled until the following Senate meeting and Resolutions 2024-2025 - S#13 and 2024-2025 - S#15 are denied.****

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson introduces open discussion.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the Senate meeting by Louis Poon; second Aidan Sumrall.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

****Result: Meeting is adjourned at 5:44 PM.****

Instructions:

This form must be completed for all budget adjustments. This form must be signed by the President, Treasurer and Campus

Please check one:

Budget Transfer

Moving funds from one expense to another, (must equal zero)

Budget AJE

Incremental adjustment, increase/decrease in revenues or expenses

Detailed description of budget adjustment:

SA Budget Adjustment #24-10

Account Number:	Account Description	Current Budget Amount	Adjustment Amount	Adjusted Budget	Adjustment Description
120-3419-7600	Carnival & Homecoming	140,000.00	(7,484.80)	132,515.20	Spirit Week Volunteer Work 10/16/24-10/18/24
120-4404-7600	Activities & Events	124,960.00	(6,195.50)	118,764.50	Fright Week Volunteer Work 10/28/24-10/31/24
120-4721-7600	AIAA	30,383.30	1,350.00	31,733.30	Spirit Week Volunteer Work 10/16/24-10/18/24 & Fright Week Work 10/28/24-10/31/24
120-4236-7600	Badminton club	9,204.92	265.50	9,470.42	Spirit Week Volunteer Work 10/16/24-10/18/24 & Fright Week Work 10/28/24-10/31/24
120-4444-7600	Bengali SA	6,758.16	355.50	7,113.66	Spirit Week Volunteer Work 10/16/24-10/18/24 & Fright Week Work 10/28/24-10/31/24
120-4256-7600	Crochet Club	250.00	99.00	349.00	Spirit Week Volunteer Work 10/16/24-10/18/24
120-4566-7600	FJSA	1,561.63	940.50	2,502.13	Spirit Week Volunteer Work 10/16/24-10/18/24 & Fright Week Work 10/28/24-10/31/24
120-4306-7600	International Undergraduate SA	250.00	379.80	629.80	Spirit Week Volunteer Work 10/16/24-10/18/24
120-4445-7600	Mock trial	14,776.08	648.00	15,424.08	Spirit Week Volunteer Work 10/16/24-10/18/24 & Fright Week Work 10/28/24-10/31/24
120-4228-7600	NBL SA	556.00	171.00	727.00	Spirit Week Volunteer Work 10/16/24-10/18/24
120-4393-7600	Poetry Club	277.00	211.50	488.50	Spirit Week Volunteer Work 10/16/24-10/18/24
120-4266-7600	Running Club	6,699.19	360.00	7,059.19	Spirit Week Volunteer Work 10/16/24-10/18/24
120-4873-7600	SAE	42,485.35	3,496.00	45,981.35	Spirit Week Volunteer Work 10/16/24-10/18/24 & Bonfire Building
120-4459-7600	SEDS	14,609.39	90.00	14,699.39	Spirit Week Volunteer Work 10/16/24-10/18/24
120-4781-7600	Robotics	6,484.01	184.50	6,668.51	Spirit Week Volunteer Work 10/16/24-10/18/24
120-4298-7600	Volume Up	793.83	36.00	829.83	Spirit Week Volunteer Work 10/16/24-10/18/24
120-4214-7600	Women's basketball	1,813.50	189.00	2,002.50	Spirit Week Volunteer Work 10/16/24-10/18/24
120-4246-7600	Women's Lacrosse	12,670.84	94.50	12,765.34	Spirit Week Volunteer Work 10/16/24-10/18/24
120-4716-7600	ASCE	27,226.66	27.00	27,253.66	Fright Week Volunteer Work 10/28/24-10/31/24
120-4489-7600	Circle K	5,520.31	99.00	5,619.31	Fright Week Volunteer Work 10/28/24-10/31/24
120-4285-7600	Club Softball	5,807.94	355.50	6,163.44	Fright Week Volunteer Work 10/28/24-10/31/24
120-4671-7600	Himalayen SA	250.00	495.00	745.00	Fright Week Volunteer Work 10/28/24-10/31/24
120-4468-7600	Improv	3,863.00	420.00	4,283.00	Fright Week Volunteer Work 10/28/24-10/31/24
120-4542-7600	Irish Dance Club	1,033.00	135.00	1,168.00	Fright Week Volunteer Work 10/28/24-10/31/24
120-4772-7600	ISA	20,215.18	441.00	20,656.18	Fright Week Volunteer Work 10/28/24-10/31/24
120-4244-7600	Kendo	2,310.00	1,044.00	3,354.00	Fright Week Volunteer Work 10/28/24-10/31/24
120-4442-7600	SARPA	42,131.69	110.00	42,241.69	Fright Week Volunteer Work 10/28/24-10/31/24
120-4668-7600	Sikh SA	5,854.00	531.00	6,385.00	Fright Week Volunteer Work 10/28/24-10/31/24
120-4678-7600	Step Troupe	5,500.70	850.50	6,351.20	Fright Week Volunteer Work 10/28/24-10/31/24
120-4265-7600	Women's Rugby	6,178.00	301.50	6,479.50	Fright Week Volunteer Work 10/28/24-10/31/24
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Treasurer: Name (please print) _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Officer: Name (please print) _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Campus designee: Name (please print) _____

Signature _____ Date _____



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Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#10

Subject: Resolution to Amend Election Rules
Submitted by: Samin Bhuya, SA President; Louis Poon, SA Treasurer.

WHEREAS University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. (“SA”) seeks to correct a typographical error in the SA Election Rules; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the SA Election Rules be amended, such that, in Section 4(b), the text “Section 5(b)” is replaced with “Section 4(b)”; and

BE IT RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.



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Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#11

Subject: Resolution to Amend Supplemental Funding Policy
Submitted by: Samin Bhuya, SA President; Louis Poon, SA Treasurer.

BE IT RESOLVED that the University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. (“SA”) Supplemental Funding Policy be amended, replacing the third sentence with the following text, without quotation marks:

“The dates when applications for supplemental funding become available each semester will be determined by the Treasurer; notwithstanding the foregoing, the Treasurer may make applications for the spring semester supplemental funding period available on any date after the end of the fall semester exam period.”;

BE IT RESOLVED that the SA Supplemental Funding Policy be amended, adding the following text at the end of the “Appeals” section, without quotation marks:

“If supplemental funding is granted upon appeal, the SA Treasurer shall transfer such funds from the relevant supplemental funding line if possible, or otherwise from the Newly Recognized Club Funding and Club Appeals line.”; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the underlining is included in the above text solely for emphasis, with the underlining not appearing in the amended By-Laws; and

BE IT RESOLVED that this Resolution is effective immediately.



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Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#12

Subject: Resolution to Add Members to Audit Committee

Submitted by: Samin Bhuya, SA President.

BE IT RESOLVED that the following members are hereby added to the Audit Committee of the University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. Senate, in addition to the current members:

- Cole DeVantier;
- Ryder Albano; and
- Jack Koscinski; and

BE IT RESOLVED that this Resolution is effective immediately.



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Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#13

Subject: Resolution to Establish Advocacy Committee
Submitted by: Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson.

WHEREAS, the University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. (“SA”) Senate seeks to engage Senators in information-aggregation regarding issues of importance to the undergraduate student body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Advocacy Committee of the SA Senate is established;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate Chairperson is the ex-officio Chairperson of the Advocacy Committee;

BE IT RESOLVED that, without limitation to the authority of the Senate itself, the Advocacy Committee shall have the purpose of making reports and recommendations to the Senate about student advocacy issues; and

BE IT RESOLVED this Resolution is effective immediately, and unless otherwise determined by the Senate, shall expire at the end of the University at Buffalo Spring 2025 semester.



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Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#14

Subject: Resolution to Fill Advocacy Committee
Submitted by: Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson.

WHEREAS, the University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. Senate seeks to engage Senators in information-aggregation regarding issues of importance to the undergraduate student body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the following people are hereby appointed to the SA Senate Advocacy Committee:

- Tyler Herman;
- Saqib Khan;
- Jack Koscinski;
- Gavin Krauciunas;
- Joseph Pawelczyk;
- Sheryl Smith; and
- Kayla Yan; and

BE IT RESOLVED this Resolution is effective immediately, and unless otherwise determined by the Senate, shall expire at the end of the University at Buffalo Spring 2025 semester.



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Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#15

Subject: Resolution to Establish Advocacy Committee
Submitted by: Tyler Herman Student Affairs Director.

WHEREAS, the University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. (“SA”) Senate seeks to engage Senators in information-aggregation regarding issues of importance to the undergraduate student body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Advocacy Committee of the SA Senate is established;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Student Affairs Director is the ex-officio Chairperson of the Advocacy Committee;

BE IT RESOLVED that, without limitation to the authority of the Senate itself, the Advocacy Committee shall have the purpose of making reports and recommendations to the Senate about student advocacy issues; and

BE IT RESOLVED this Resolution is effective immediately, and unless otherwise determined by the Senate, shall expire at the end of the University at Buffalo Spring 2025 semester.