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University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. Senate Meeting

March 12, 2025 - 5:00 PM

O'Brian Hall Room 25, University at Buffalo North Campus
Amherst, NY 14260

Present

Samin Bhuya*, SA President; **Killian Hannigan**, SA Vice President; **Louis Poon**, SA Treasurer; **Gavin Krauciunas**, Senate Chairperson; **Kayla Yan**, Senator; **Benjamin Lau***, Senator; **TJ Ledwith**, Senator; **Joseph Pawelczyk**, Senator; **Cole DeVantier**, Senator; **Saqib Khan**, Senator; **Sherry Smith***, Senator; **Ryder Albano**, Senator; **Adam Bilali**, Senator; **John Stanton**, Senator; **Veronica Faltisco***, Academic Council Coordinator; **Nithya Santhapriya**, Engineering Council Coordinator; **Jacob Murphy**, Hobby Council Coordinator; **Sam Urriza**, International Council Coordinator; **Gyonni Winter***, P.O.C. Council Coordinator; **Aidan Sumrall**, Special Interest Council Coordinator; **Tyler Herman**, SA Student Affairs Director.

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

Absent

Jack Koscinski, Senator; **Ashrith Rao**, Sports Council Coordinator.

Call to Order

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, calls the meeting to order at 5:04 PM.

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

Samin Bhuya	Absent
Killian Hannigan	Present
Louis Poon	Present
Gavin Krauciunas	Present
Kayla Yan	Present
Benjamin Lau	Present
TJ Ledwith	Present
Joseph Pawelczyk	Present
Cole DeVantier	Present

Jack Koscinski	Absent
Saqib Khan	Present
Sherry Smith	Absent
Ryder Albano	Present
Adam Bilali	Present
John Stanton	Present
Veronica Faltisco	Present
Nithya Santhapriya	Present
Jacob Murphy	Present
Sam Urriza	Present
Gyonni Winter	Absent
Aidan Sumrall	Present
Ashrith Rao	Absent
Tyler Herman	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 February 12, 2025 (original), February 12, 2025 (revised), and February 26, 2025 Senate Meeting Minutes for consideration.

****Samin Bhuya, SA President, enters at 5:06 PM.****

Motion to deny February 12, 2025 (original) Senate Meeting Minutes by Killian Hannigan; second Samin Bhuya.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

****Result: February 12, 2025 (original) Senate Meeting Minutes are denied.****

Motion to approve February 12, 2025 (revised) Senate Meeting Minutes by Killian Hannigan; second Samin Bhuya.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

****Result: February 12, 2025 (revised) Senate Meeting Minutes are approved.****

Motion to approve February 26, 2025 Senate Meeting Minutes by Aidan Sumrall;
second Joseph Pawelczyk.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

****Result: February 26, 2025 Senate Meeting Minutes are approved.****

Old Business

None.

New Business

****Gyonni Winter, P.O.C. Council Coordinator, enters at 5:08 PM.****

****Shanzay Butt, Will Eaton, Laron Fomby, Gabriela Paz, Muhibul Razeen, and Jack Walsh leave at 5:10 PM.****

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Wage List Amendment - 2024-2025 - #1 (“Clarifications and Simplifications to the SA Wage List”) for consideration.

Motion to approve Wage List Amendment - 2024-2025 - #1 by Samin Bhuya;
second Joseph Pawelczyk.

****Sherry Smith, Senator, enters at 5:13 PM.****

Samin Bhuya	Yes
Killian Hannigan	Yes
Louis Poon	Yes
Gavin Krauciunas	Yes
Kayla Yan	Abstain
Benjamin Lau	Yes
TJ Ledwith	Yes
Joseph Pawelczyk	Yes
Cole DeVantier	Yes
Saqib Khan	Yes
Sherry Smith	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Adam Bilali	Yes
John Stanton	Yes

Veronica Faltisco	Yes
Nithya Santhapriya	Yes
Jacob Murphy	Yes
Sam Urriza	Yes
Gyonni Winter	Yes
Aidan Sumrall	Yes
Tyler Herman	Yes

20 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstain

Motion to approve Wage List Amendment - 2024-2025 - #1 passes 20-0-1.

****Result: Wage List Amendment - 2024-2025 - #1 is approved.****

****Shanzay Butt, Will Eaton, Laron Fomby, Gabriela Paz, Muhibul Razeen, and Jack Walsh enter at 5:16 PM.****

****Veronica Faltisco, Academic Council Coordinator, Benjamin Lau, Senator, and Gavin Malec leave at 5:16 PM.****

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Wage List Amendment - 2024-2025 - #2 (“Wages for New SA Vice President Positions”) for consideration.

Motion to approve Wage List Amendment - 2024-2025 - #2 by TJ Ledwith; second Joseph Pawelczyk.

Samin Bhuya	Yes
Killian Hannigan	Yes
Louis Poon	Yes
Gavin Krauciunas	Yes
Kayla Yan	Yes
TJ Ledwith	Yes
Joseph Pawelczyk	Yes
Cole DeVantier	Yes
Saqib Khan	Yes
Sherry Smith	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes

Adam Bilali	Yes
John Stanton	Yes
Nithya Santhapriya	Yes
Jacob Murphy	Yes
Sam Urriza	Yes
Gyonni Winter	Yes
Aidan Sumrall	Yes
Tyler Herman	Yes

19 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to approve Wage List Amendment - 2024-2025 - #2 passes 19-0-0.

****Result: Wage List Amendment - 2024-2025 - #2 is approved.****

****Veronica Faltisco, Academic Council Coordinator, Benjamin Lau, Senator, and Gavin Malec enter at 5:24 PM.****

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#24 (“Resolution to Amend SA Election Rules Regarding Ballot Order”) for consideration.

****Sherry Smith, Senator, leaves at 5:29 PM.****

Motion to approve Resolution 2024-2025 - S#24 by Louis Poon; second Aidan Sumrall.

****Sherry Smith, Senator, enters at 5:34 PM.****

Samin Bhuya	Yes
Killian Hannigan	Yes
Louis Poon	Yes
Gavin Krauciunas	Yes
Kayla Yan	Abstain
Benjamin Lau	Abstain
TJ Ledwith	Yes
Joseph Pawelczyk	Yes
Cole DeVantier	Yes
Saqib Khan	Yes

Sherry Smith	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Adam Bilali	Abstain
John Stanton	Yes
Veronica Faltisco	Yes
Nithya Santhapriya	Yes
Jacob Murphy	Yes
Sam Urriza	Yes
Gyonni Winter	Yes
Aidan Sumrall	Yes
Tyler Herman	Yes

18 Yes, 0 No, 3 Abstain

Motion to approve Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#24 passes 18-0-3.

****Result: Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#24 is approved.****

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces open discussion.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the Senate meeting by Killian Hannigan; second Joseph Pawelczyk.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

****Result: Meeting is adjourned at 5:36 PM.****



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Wage List Amendment - 2024-2025 - #1

Subject: Clarifications and Simplifications to the SA Wage List
Submitted by: Samin Bhuya, SA President; Louis Poon, SA Treasurer.

WHEREAS, this Resolution does not and is not intended to result in any increase to the wage of any University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. (“SA”) hourly staff positions;

WHEREAS, the intent of this Resolution is only to simplify, clarify, and make consistent the SA hourly wage list; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution does not and is not intended to apply to the positions of the Student Affairs Director (until May 16, 2025 at 12:01 AM), the SA Officers, the SA Clubs Council Coordinators, and the SA Elections & Credentials Chair, which are all paid stipends (not hourly); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the following rates are approved for SA hourly staff positions as listed:

Hourly Staff Position:	Hourly Wage (by employee):
Chief of Staff	\$18.50
Deputy Chief of Staff, Assistant Finance Coordinator, Assistant Treasurer	\$18.25
Director and Manager positions	\$18.25
All other hourly staff positions (excluding any positions who receive stipends, as described in the third whereas clause)	\$18.00

AND BE IT RESOLVED that this Resolution shall not in any way modify Resolution - 2023-2024 - 22 (“Resolution regarding wages”), a copy of which is attached hereto, which shall (including itself and any decisions thereunder) remain in full force and effect; and

BE IT RESOLVED that this Resolution is effective immediately.



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Resolution - 2023-2024 - 22

Subject: Resolution regarding wages

Submitted by: President Becky Paul Odionhin, Treasurer Unnati Agarwal

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Senate of the University at Buffalo Student Association designates the following as positions that may be occupied by any UB student: Assistant Finance Coordinator, Contract Assistant, and Administrative Assistant; and

BE IT RESOLVED that, if any of the positions of Contract Assistant, Administrative Assistant or Assistant Finance Coordinator is held by a graduate or professional school student, the SA President and SA Treasurer, by joint decision, may (but are not required to) elect to pay that employee up to \$2.50 per hour more than the otherwise approved hourly wage if such employee has worked at SA for one (1) year or more in total, and may elect to pay that person up to \$5.00 per hour more than the otherwise approved hourly wage if such employee has worked at SA for two (2) years or more in total.



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Wage List Amendment - 2024-2025 - #2

Subject: Wages for New SA Vice President Positions
Submitted by: Samin Bhuya, SA President; Louis Poon, SA Treasurer.

WHEREAS, a stipend of \$375.00 per week is the existing approved University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. (“SA”) Vice President stipend; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that, effective 12:01 AM on May 16, 2025, the SA Vice President for Advocacy, SA Vice President for Clubs, and SA Vice President for Events shall each receive a stipend for the same rate of \$375.00 per week.



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Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#24

Subject: Resolution to Amend SA Election Rules Regarding Ballot Order
Submitted by: Samin Bhuya, SA President; Ethan Creig, SA Elections & Credentials Chair.

WHEREAS, this Resolution does not and is not intended to impact the Spring 2025 University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. (“SA”) Officer elections; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that, effective 12:01 AM on May 16, 2025, Section 5(d) (as currently numbered) of the SA Election Rules shall be amended to read as the following text, without quotations or underlining:

“The order in which candidate names shall appear on the ballot shall be determined by random drawing, at the time and in the manner determined by the E&C Chair; without limitation, when the election is conducted by online voting, this may occur through the randomization of the order of candidate names on the electronic ballot within the system used to conduct the election.”