# University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. Senate Meeting March 26, 2025 - 5:00 PM

# Student Union room 378, 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; Cole DeVantier, Senator; Sherry Smith\*, Senator; Ryder Albano, Senator; Adam Bilali\*, Senator; John Stanton, Senator; Veronica Faltisco, Academic 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; Ashrith Rao\*, Sports Council Coordinator.

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

#### **Absent**

Joseph Pawelczyk, Senator; Saqib Khan, Senator; Nithya Santhapriya, Engineering Council Coordinator; Tyler Herman, SA Student Affairs Director.

#### Call to Order

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, calls the meeting to order at 5:03 PM.

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

Samin Bhuya Present Killian Hannigan Present Louis Poon Present Gavin Krauciunas Present Kayla Yan Present Benjamin Lau Present TJ Ledwith Present Joseph Pawelczyk Absent Cole DeVantier Present Saqib Khan Absent **Sherry Smith** Absent Ryder Albano Present Adam Bilali Present John Stanton Present Veronica Faltisco Present Nithya Santhapriya Absent Jacob Murphy Present Sam Urriza Present Gyonni Winter Present Aidan Sumrall Present Ashrith Rao Present

17 Present, 5 Absent

Tyler Herman

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

## **Approval of Minutes**

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces March 12, 2025 Senate Meeting Minutes for consideration.

Motion to approve March 12, 2025 Senate Meeting Minutes by Killian Hannigan; second Aidan Sumrall.

**Absent** 

Without objection, motion passes within unanimous consent.

\*\*Result: March 12, 2025 Senate Meeting Minutes are approved.\*\*

#### **Old Business**

None.

#### **New Business**

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Budget Adjustment #24-17 for consideration.

Motion to approve Budget Adjustment #24-17 by Louis Poon; second Samin Bhuya.

#### \*\*Sherry Smith, Senator, enters at 5:08 PM.\*\*

Samin Bhuya	Yes
Killian Hannigan	Yes
Louis Poon	Yes
Gavin Krauciunas	Yes
Kayla Yan	Yes
Benjamin Lau	Yes
TJ Ledwith	Yes
Cole DeVantier	Yes
Sherry Smith	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Adam Bilali	Yes
John Stanton	Yes
Veronica Faltisco	Yes
Jacob Murphy	Yes
Sam Urriza	Yes
Gyonni Winter	Yes
Aidan Sumrall	Yes
Ashrith Rao	Yes
18 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain	

Motion to approve Budget Adjustment #24-17 passes 18-0-0.

#### \*\*Result: Budget Adjustment #24-17 is approved.\*\*

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#25 ("Resolution to Correct Typographical Error in Annual Registration and Requirements for Recognition Policy") for consideration.

Motion to approve Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#25 by Samin Bhuya; second Aidan Sumrall.

Samin Bhuya Yes Killian Hannigan Yes Louis Poon Yes Gavin Krauciunas Yes Kayla Yan Yes Benjamin Lau Yes TJ Ledwith Yes Cole DeVantier Yes Sherry Smith Yes Ryder Albano Yes Adam Bilali Yes John Stanton Yes Veronica Faltisco Yes Yes Jacob Murphy Sam Urriza Yes Gyonni Winter Yes Aidan Sumrall Yes Ashrith Rao Yes

18 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to approve Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#25 passes 18-0-0.

#### \*\*Result: Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#25 is approved.\*\*

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#26 ("Resolution to Amend SA By-Laws") for consideration.

Motion to deny Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#26 by Aidan Sumrall; second Killian Hannigan.

Samin Bhuya Yes
Killian Hannigan Yes
Louis Poon Yes
Gavin Krauciunas No

<sup>\*\*</sup>Sherry Smith, Senator, leaves at 5:26 PM.\*\*

<sup>\*\*</sup>Sherry Smith, Senator, enters at 5:27 PM.\*\*

Kayla Yan No

Benjamin Lau No

TJ Ledwith Yes

Cole DeVantier Yes

Sherry Smith Yes

Ryder Albano No

Adam Bilali Abstain

John Stanton Abstain

Veronica Faltisco Yes

Jacob Murphy Yes

Sam Urriza Yes

Gyonni Winter Yes

Aidan Sumrall Yes

Ashrith Rao Yes

12 Yes, 4 No, 2 Abstain

Motion to deny Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#26 passes 12-4-2.

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#27 ("Benjamin Lau pay approval") for consideration.

Motion to approve Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#27 by Samin Bhuya; second Killian Hannigan.

Samin Bhuya Yes

Killian Hannigan Yes

Louis Poon Yes

Gavin Krauciunas Yes

Kayla Yan Yes

<sup>\*\*</sup>Result: Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#26 is denied.\*\*

<sup>\*\*</sup>Benjamin Lau, Senator, leaves at 5:36 PM.\*\*

<sup>\*\*</sup>Killian Hannigan, SA Vice President, leaves at 5:38 PM.\*\*

<sup>\*\*</sup>Killian Hannigan, SA Vice President, enters at 5:38 PM.\*\*

TJ Ledwith	Yes
Cole DeVantier	Yes
Sherry Smith	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Adam Bilali	Yes
John Stanton	Yes
Veronica Faltisco	Yes
Jacob Murphy	Yes
Sam Urriza	Yes
Gyonni Winter	Yes
Aidan Sumrall	Yes
Ashrith Rao	Yes
17 Ves O No O Abstain	

17 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to approve Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#27 passes 17-0-0.

Motion to temporarily suspend the rules to conduct a revote on Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#26 by Gavin Krauciunas; second Kayla Yan.

Samin Bhuya	No
Killian Hannigan	No
Louis Poon	No
Gavin Krauciunas	Yes
Kayla Yan	Yes
Benjamin Lau	Yes
TJ Ledwith	No
Cole DeVantier	No

<sup>\*\*</sup>Result: Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#27 is approved.\*\*

<sup>\*\*</sup>Ashrith Rao, Sports Council Coordinator, leaves at 5:41 PM.\*\*

<sup>\*\*</sup>Benjamin Lau, Senator, enters at 5:41 PM.\*\*

<sup>\*\*</sup>Ashrith Rao, Sports Council Coordinator, enters at 5:42 PM.\*\*

Sherry Smith No

Ryder Albano No

Adam Bilali No

John Stanton Abstain

Veronica Faltisco No

Jacob Murphy No

Sam Urriza No

Gyonni Winter No

Aidan Sumrall No.

Ashrith Rao No

3 Yes, 14 No, 1 Abstain

Motion to temporarily suspend the rules to conduct a revote on Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#26 fails to pass 3-14-1.

\*\*Result: Motion to temporarily suspend the rules to conduct a revote on Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#26 fails to pass.\*\*

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces open discussion.

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Transportation Appreciation Day, Campus Dining Tour, Club Feedback on Tier System Changes, and Library Laptop Loan Services as topics of discussion.

### Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the Senate meeting by Aidan Sumrall; second Sherry Smith.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Adam Bilali, Senator, leaves at 5:46 PM.\*\*

<sup>\*\*</sup>Adam Bilali, Senator, enters at 5:47 PM.\*\*

<sup>\*\*</sup>Result: Meeting is adjourned at 5:58 PM.\*\*

#### Detailed description of budget adjustment:

# Budget Adjustment #24-17

Account Name			Current SAFE	Adjustment Amount	Ne	w SAFE Budget Balance	Discription
							to Repair & Maint \$500; Misc for tolls
Club Services Activities & Events	Activity Expense	\$	5,500.00	\$ (2,500.00)	\$	3,000.00	\$2,000
							from Club Svcs to Repair & Main -
Maintenance & Repairs	Maintenance and Repairs	\$	100.00	\$ 500.00	\$	600.00	finish cleaning SA vehicles
Miscellaneous Expense	Miscellaneous Expense	\$	190.26	\$ 2,000.00	\$	2,190.26	from Club Svcs to Misc for Tolls
							For EDM PY Rollover - Victors House
Appropriated Net Assets	Appropriated Net Assets	\$	(951,839.77)	\$ (1,000.00)	\$	(952,839.77)	Party \$1K missed
							For EDM PY Rollover - Victors House
Fundraiser Rollover	Activity Expense	\$	-	\$ 1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	Party \$1K missed
							For EDM PY Rollover - Victors House
Fundraiser Rollover	Activity Expense	\$	1,000.00	\$ (1,000.00)	\$	-	Party \$1K missed
							EDM PY Rollover - Victors House Party
EDM Club	Activity Expense	\$	2,750.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$	3,750.00	\$1K missed New clubs budgets - Mobile App
							Development, Trackside, UB
							Promoting Electrical Propulsion Team,
Newly Recognized Clubs	Activity Expense	s	3,750.00	\$ (1,000.00)	ς,	2,750.00	Pickle Club
Mobile App Development Club	Activity Expense	\$	-	\$ 250.00	\$		NEW CLUB - Mobile App Dev Club
Trackside	Activity Expense	\$	-	\$ 250.00	\$	250.00	NEW CLUB - Trackside
							NEW CLUB - UB Promoting Electrical
UB Promoting Electrical Propulsion Team	Activity Expense	\$	-	\$ 250.00	\$	250.00	Propulsion Team
Pickle Club	Activity Expense	\$	-	\$ 250.00	\$	250.00	NEW CLUB - Pickle Club
Fest Talent	Talent	\$	192,878.80	\$ (192,878.80)	\$	-	Move to Bullsapalooza
Fest Production	Activity Expense	\$	80,809.04	\$ (80,809.04)	\$	-	Move to Bullsapalooza
Concert Production	Activity Expense	\$	154,069.32	\$ (152,069.32)	\$	2,000.00	Move to Bullsapalooza
Carnival & Homecoming	Activity Expense	\$	5,486.19	\$ (5,486.19)	\$	=	Move to Bullsapalooza
LT Planning Alumni Initiatives	Activity Expense	\$	27,206.63	\$ (26,352.51)	\$	854.12	Move to Bullsapalooza
Bullsapalooza	Activity Expense	\$	-	\$ 457,595.86	\$	457,595.86	New account Bullsapalooza event
		\$	(478,099.53)	\$ -	\$	(478,099.53)	



# University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. 350 Student Union, Buffalo, NY 14260 www.sa.buffalo.edu

Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#25

Subject: Resolution to Correct Typographical Error in Annual Registration

and Requirements for Recognition Policy

**Submitted by:** Samin Bhuya, SA President; Killian Hannigan, SA Vice President.

WHEREAS, this Resolution is intended only to correct a typographical error in the University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. ("SA") Annual Registration and Requirements for Recognition Policy; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the SA Annual Registration and Requirements for Recognition Policy be amended, such that in item 3 under the heading "Timeline for Registration," the text "phase 2" is replaced with "phase 3"; and

**BE IT RESOLVED** that this Resolution is effective immediately.



# University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. 350 Student Union, Buffalo, NY 14260 www.sa.buffalo.edu

Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#26

**Subject:** Resolution to Amend SA By-Laws

Submitted by: Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson; Benjamin Lau, Senator.

WHEREAS, Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#22 was adopted, making 24 voting Members of the University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. ("SA") Senate as of May 16, 2025;

WHEREAS, in the event of a full Senate meeting, having an odd number of Senators (in order to avoid a tie vote) is desirable; and

**WHEREAS**, the Senate desires that there be more unpaid than paid Senators; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that, effective May 16, 2025 at 12:01 AM, Section 4.01(a)(ii) of the SA By-Laws be amended, such that "Twelve (12)" shall be changed to "Thirteen (13)".



# University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. 350 Student Union, Buffalo, NY 14260 www.sa.buffalo.edu

Resolution - 2024-2025 - S#27

**Subject:** Benjamin Lau pay approval

Submitted by: Samin Bhuya President and Louis Poon Treasurer

WHEREAS, the Senate recently approved wage list amendment 2024-2025 - 1 setting wage rates for the SA hourly staff;

BE IT RESOLVED that Benjamin Lau is approved to work in an hourly pay student staff position for the previously approved wage rate(s), so long as he is not an Officer or Senator at the time of said employment.