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## University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. Senate Meeting

November 12, 2025 - 5:00 pm

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

### Present

**Mason Bayer\***, SA Vice President for Advocacy; **Will Dong\***, SA Vice President for Clubs; **Ben Lau\***, SA Vice President for Events; **Jack Koscinski\***, SA Treasurer; **Gavin Krauciunas**, Senate Chairperson; **Aeaad Alawaad**, Senator; **Adam Bilali**, Senator; **Joshua Brodsky\***, Senator; **Arya Dixit\***, Senator; **Sierra Fernandez\***, Senator; **Michaelangelo Fontana**, Senator; **Ismat Haque**, Senator; **Piyush Ohri**, Senator; **Grant Peterson\***, Senator; **Aidan Thomas**, Senator; **Ryder Albano**, Engineering Council Coordinator; **Manal Al Bahantah\***, People of Color Council Coordinator; **Nasra Isse\***, Special Interest Council Coordinator; **Devin Hendricks\***, Sports Council Coordinator.

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

### Absent

**Aisha Adam**, SA President; **Rima Saeed**, Senator; **Nour Touti**, Academic Council Coordinator; **Akash Shah**, International Council Coordinator.

### 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.

Aisha Adam	Absent
Mason Bayer	Present
Will Dong	Present
Ben Lau	Present
Jack Koscinski	Present
Gavin Krauciunas	Present
Aeaad Alawaad	Present
Adam Bilali	Present
Joshua Brodsky	Absent



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Arya Dixit	Present
Sierra Fernandez	Present
Michaelangelo Fontana	Present
Ismat Haque	Present
Piyush Ohri	Present
Grant Peterson	Present
Rima Saeed	Absent
Aidan Thomas	Present
Nour Touti	Absent
Ryder Albano	Present
Akash Shah	Absent
Manal Al Bahantah	Absent
Nasra Isse	Absent
Devin Hendricks	Present

16 Present, 7 Absent

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

## Approval of Minutes

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces October 29, 2025 Senate Meeting Minutes for consideration.

Motion to approve October 29, 2025 Senate Meeting Minutes by Aidan Thomas; second Sierra Fernandez.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

**\*\*Result: October 29, 2025 Senate Meeting Minutes are approved.\*\***

## Old Business

None.

## New Business

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Budget Adjustment SA BA# 25-7 for consideration.

**\*\*Manal Al Bahantah, People of Color Council Coordinator, and Nasra Isse, Special Interest Council Coordinator, enter at 5:03 pm.\*\***

Motion to approve Budget Adjustment SA BA# 25-7 by Jack Koscinski; second Grant Peterson.

Mason Bayer	Yes
Will Dong	Yes
Ben Lau	Yes
Jack Koscinski	Yes
Gavin Krauciunas	Yes
Aeaad Alawaad	Yes
Adam Bilali	Yes
Arya Dixit	Yes
Sierra Fernandez	Yes
Michaelangelo Fontana	Yes
Ismat Haque	Yes
Piyush Ohri	Yes
Grant Peterson	Yes
Aidan Thomas	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Manal Al Bahantah	Yes
Nasra Isse	Yes
Devin Hendricks	Yes

18 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to approve Budget Adjustment SA BA# 25-7 passes 18-0-0.

**\*\*Result: Budget Adjustment SA BA# 25-7 is approved.\*\***

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#8 (“Resolution to Amend the SA New Club Recognition Policy”) for consideration.

Motion to approve Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#8 by Ryder Albano; second Aidan Thomas.

Mason Bayer	Yes
Will Dong	Yes
Ben Lau	Yes
Jack Koscinski	Yes
Gavin Krauciunas	Yes
Aeaad Alawaad	Yes
Adam Bilali	Yes
Arya Dixit	Yes
Sierra Fernandez	Yes
Michaelangelo Fontana	Yes
Ismat Haque	Yes
Piyush Ohri	Yes
Grant Peterson	Yes
Aidan Thomas	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Manal Al Bahantah	Yes
Nasra Isse	Yes
Devin Hendricks	Yes

18 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to approve Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#8 passes 18-0-0.

**\*\*Result: Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#8 is approved.\*\***

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#9 (“Resolution to Remove Senator from Advocacy Committee at Such Senator’s Request”) for consideration.

Motion to approve Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#9 by Jack Koscinski; second Arya Dixit.

Mason Bayer	Yes
Will Dong	Yes
Ben Lau	Yes

Jack Koscinski	Yes
Gavin Krauciunas	Yes
Aeaad Alawaad	Yes
Adam Bilali	Yes
Arya Dixit	Yes
Sierra Fernandez	Yes
Michaelangelo Fontana	Yes
Ismat Haque	Yes
Piyush Ohri	Yes
Grant Peterson	Abstain
Aidan Thomas	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Manal Al Bahantah	Yes
Nasra Isse	Yes
Devin Hendricks	Yes

17 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstain

Motion to approve Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#9 passes 17-0-1.

**\*\*Result: Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#9 is approved.\*\***

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces announcements.

**\*\*Joshua Brodsky, Senator, enters at 5:15 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Will Dong, SA Vice President for Clubs, leaves at 5:20 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Jack Koscinski, SA Treasurer, leaves at 5:32 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Jack Koscinski, SA Treasurer, enters at 5:34 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Mason Bayer, SA Vice President for Advocacy, leaves at 5:42 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Devin Hendricks, Sports Council Coordinator, leaves at 5:44 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Mason Bayer, SA Vice President for Advocacy, enters at 5:45 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Devin Hendricks, Sports Council Coordinator, enters at 5:46 pm.\*\***

Motion to exhaust the current speakers' list without adding any other speakers by Sierra Fernandez; second Aeaad Alawaad.

Division - Gavin Krauciunas proceeds to call the roll.

Mason Bayer	No
Ben Lau	Abstain
Jack Koscinski	No
Gavin Krauciunas	Abstain
Aeaad Alawaad	Yes
Adam Bilali	Abstain
Joshua Brodsky	Abstain
Arya Dixit	Abstain
Sierra Fernandez	Yes
Michaelangelo Fontana	No
Ismat Haque	No
Piyush Ohri	No
Grant Peterson	No
Aidan Thomas	Abstain
Ryder Albano	Abstain
Manal Al Bahantah	Abstain
Nasra Isse	No
Devin Hendricks	Abstain

2 Yes, 7 No, 9 Abstain

Motion to exhaust the current speakers' list without adding any other speakers does not pass 2-7-9.

**\*\*Grant Peterson, Senator, leaves at 5:59 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Grant Peterson, Senator, enters at 6:01 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Grant Peterson, Senator, leaves at 6:04 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Grant Peterson, Senator, enters at 6:05 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Ben Lau, SA Vice President for Events, leaves at 6:09 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Sierra Fernandez, Senator, leaves at 6:11 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Arya Dixit, Senator, leaves at 6:12 pm.\*\***

## **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the Senate meeting by Ryder Albano; second Aidan Thomas.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

**\*\*Result: Meeting is adjourned at 6:20 pm.\*\***

Detailed description of budget adjustment:

**Budget Adjustment SA BA# 25-7**

	Account Name	Current SAFE	Adjustment	New SAFE Budget	Description
		Budget Balance	Amount	Balance	
120-1100-4000	Administration Appropriated Net Assets	\$ (1,250,000.00)	\$ (15,000.00)	\$ (1,265,000.00)	From App Net Assets to Cap Equip
120-1100-6300	Administration Capital Equipment Purchases	\$ 6,765.63	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 21,765.63	From App Net Assets to Cap Equip
		\$ (1,243,234.37)	\$ -	\$ (1,243,234.37)	



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## Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#8

**Subject:** Resolution to Amend the SA New Club Recognition Policy  
**Requested by:** Will Dong, SA Vice President for Clubs.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. New Club Recognition Policy be amended, such that:

- 1) the following text is added as the new third full paragraph under the “Gaining Recognition” heading, without quotation marks:

“If SA’s response to the prospective club application indicates that changes are needed, additional information must be provided, or both, then the prospective club must do so by April 1 or the application shall be rejected.”;

- 2) items 2, 2(a), and 3 of the list immediately following the sentence “The club will have the following timelines to complete the additional requirements to remain recognized by SA.” are deleted, in their entirety, and replaced with the following text, without quotation marks:

~~“2. All club officers must attend the next scheduled new club orientation training complete club training as outlined in SA’s Annual Registration and Requirements for Recognition Policy within 10 business days of being recognized by SA.”~~; and

- 3) the text “Clubs who fail to meet all steps in the stated timeline will placed on suspension and reviewed for derecognition.” is replaced in its entirety with the following text, without quotation marks:

~~“Clubs who fail to meet all steps in the stated timeline will placed on suspension and reviewed for derecognition be reviewed under SA’s Club Violations Policy. Only once all of the above steps have been completed will a newly recognized club be eligible to receive a tier 1 budget.”~~; and

**BE IT RESOLVED** that this Resolution is effective immediately, any underlining in this Resolution shall not appear in the text of any amended policy, and any struck-

through text in this Resolution shall not appear in the text of any amended policy.



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**Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#9**

**Subject:** Resolution to Remove Senator from Advocacy Committee at Such Senator's Request  
**Requested by:** **Gavin Krauciunas**, Senate Chairperson; **Piyush Ohri**, Senator.

**WHEREAS**, Senator Piyush Ohri has indicated in writing to University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. ("SA") administration that he no longer wishes to serve on the SA Advocacy Committee; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Piyush Ohri is, at his request only and for no other reason, removed from the SA Advocacy Committee; and

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