University at Buffalo Student Association Inc.

Senate Meeting Minutes

November 8th, 2021

Capen 367

Present
Nicholas Singh, President
Montana Desabio, Vice President
Austin Wolfgang, Treasurer
Josephina Nimarko, Student Affairs Director
Nathan Cottom, Academic Coordinator
Jason Li, Hobby Coordinator
Cassandra Ramsay, International Coordinator
Liryc Lewis, POC Coordinator
Afreen Tanisha, Special Interest Coordinator
Justin Barnes, Sports Coordinator
Thomas Diaz, Senator
Fatou Diop, Senator
Tyler Herman, Senator
Madison Nitsche, Senator
Krish Thakkar, Senator
Khan Yasin, Senator

Absent
Emma Elliot, Engineering Coordinator

Call to Order
Nicholas Singh, President, calls the meeting to order at 8:07 pm

Approval of Minutes
I. Nicholas Singh, President, presents the Senate Meeting Minutes for May 5th, 2021, for approval
   a. Motion to approve Senate Meeting Minutes for May 5th, 2021, by Austin Wolfgang
      Second Josephina Nimarko
      Without objection, the motion passes by unanimous consent
      Conclusion: The Executive Meeting Minutes for October 15th, 2021, were approved

II. Nicholas Singh, President, presents the Executive Meeting Minutes for September 9th, 2021, for approval
    a. Motion to approve Executive Meeting Minutes from September 9th, 2021, by Tyler Herman
       Second Austin Wolfgang
       Without objection, the motion passes by unanimous consent
       Conclusion: The Executive Meeting Minutes for September 9th, 2021, were approved

III. Nicholas Singh, President, presents the Executive Meeting Minutes for November 22nd, 2021, for approval
     a. Motion to approve Executive Meeting Minutes for November 22nd, 2021, by Tyler Herman
Second Josephina Nimarko

Without objection, the motion passes by unanimous consent

**Conclusion:** The Executive Meeting Minutes for November 22\textsuperscript{nd}, 2021, were approved

IV. Nicholas Singh, President, presents the Executive Meeting Minutes for October 15\textsuperscript{th}, 2021, for approval

a. **Motion to approve Executive Meeting Minutes for October 15\textsuperscript{th}, 2021,** by Madison Nitsche

Second Tyler Herman

Without objection, the motion passes by unanimous consent

**Conclusion:** The Executive Meeting Minutes for October 15\textsuperscript{th}, 2021, were approved

**New Business**

I. Austin Wolfgang, Treasurer, presents Budget Adjustment \#3 to the Senate for consideration

a. **5 Minute Presentation Period**

Motion to approve by Austin Wolfgang

Second Tyler Herman

Without objection, the motion passes by unanimous consent

**Conclusion:** Budget Adjustment \#3 was approved

II. Austin Wolfgang, Treasurer, presents Budget Adjustment - Staff Wage amendment to the Senate for consideration

a. **5 Minute Presentation Period**

Motion to approve by Austin Wolfgang

Second Tyler Herman

Without objection, the motion passes by unanimous consent
Conclusion: Budget Adjustment - Staff Wage amendment was approved

III. Nicholas Singh, President, presents the Resolution to Amend the By-Laws of University at Buffalo Student Association Inc, to the Senate for consideration

a. 5 Minute Presentation Period

Motion to approve by Tyler Herman

Second Madison Nitsche

Montana Desabio, Vice President - Favor

Austin Wolfgang, Treasurer - Favor

Josephina Nimarko, Student Affairs Director - Favor

Nathan Cottom, Academic Coordinator - Favor

Jason Li, Hobby Coordinator - Favor

Cassandra Ramsay, International Coordinator - Favor

Liryc Lewis, POC Coordinator - Favor

Afreen Tanisha, Special Interest Coordinator - Favor

Justin Barnes, Sports Coordinator - Favor

Thomas Diaz, Senator - Favor

Fatou Diop, Senator - Favor

Tyler Herman, Senator - Favor

Madison Nitsche, Senator - Favor

Krish Thakkar, Senator - Favor

Khan Yasin, Senator - Favor

Nicholas Singh - Abstain

15 Favor, 0 Against, 1 Abstain
Without objection, the motion passes by unanimous consent

Conclusion: Resolution to Amend the By-Laws of University at Buffalo Student Association Inc was approved

IV. Nicholas Singh, President, presents the Resolution 2021-1 to the Senate for consideration
a. 5 Minute Presentation Period

Motion to approve by Tyler Herman

Second Madison Nitsche

Montana Desabio, Vice President - Favor

Austin Wolfgang, Treasurer - Favor

Josephina Nimarko, Student Affairs Director - Favor

Nathan Cottom, Academic Coordinator - Favor

Jason Li, Hobby Coordinator - Favor

Cassandra Ramsay, International Coordinator - Favor

Liryc Lewis, POC Coordinator - Favor

Afreen Tanisha, Special Interest Coordinator - Favor

Justin Barnes, Sports Coordinator - Favor

Thomas Diaz, Senator - Favor

Fatou Diop, Senator - Favor

Tyler Herman, Senator - Favor

Madison Nitsche, Senator - Favor

Krish Thakkar, Senator - Favor

Khan Yasin, Senator - Favor

Nicholas Singh - Abstain

15 Favor, 0 Against, 1 Abstain
Without objection, the motion passes by unanimous consent

**Conclusion: Resolution 2021-1 was approved**

V. Nicholas Singh, President, presents Audit Committee selection to the Senate for consideration
   a. Nomination Period
      i. Fatou Diop, Krish Thakkar, and Khan Yasin

Motion to elect Fatou Diop, Krish Thakkar, and Khan Yasin to the Audit Committee by Austin Wolfgang
   Second Nathan Cottom

Montana Desabio, Vice President - Favor

Austin Wolfgang, Treasurer - Favor

Josephina Nimarko, Student Affairs Director - Favor

Nathan Cottom, Academic Coordinator - Favor

Jason Li, Hobby Coordinator - Favor

Cassandra Ramsay, International Coordinator - Favor

Liryc Lewis, POC Coordinator - Favor

Afreen Tanisha, Special Interest Coordinator - Favor

Justin Barnes, Sports Coordinator - Favor

Thomas Diaz, Senator - Favor

Fatou Diop, Senator - Favor

Tyler Herman, Senator - Favor

Madison Nitsche, Senator - Favor

Krish Thakkar, Senator - Favor

Khan Yasin, Senator - Favor

Nicholas Singh - Abstain
15 Favor, 0 Against, 1 Abstain

**Conclusion: Fatou Diop, Krish Thakkar, and Khan Yasin were elected to the Audit Committee**

**VI.** Nicholas Singh, President, presents Election of the chair to the Senate for consideration

a. Nicholas Singh opens the floor for nominations
   i. Tyler Herman nominates self
   ii. Madison Nitsche nominates self

Nicholas Singh, President, Motions to end the nomination period

The motion passes by unanimous consent

Liryc Lewis, POC Coordinator, leaves the meeting at 9:00 pm

b. Each Candidate speaks for three minutes followed by a question-and-answer period of 5 minutes for both candidates together.

c. Election Begins

First Vote for Chairperson

Montana Desabio, Vice President - Madison Nitsche

Austin Wolfgang, Treasurer - Madison Nitsche

Nathan Cottom, Academic Coordinator - Madison Nitsche

Jason Li, Hobby Coordinator - Tyler Herman

Cassandra Ramsay, International Coordinator - Madison Nitsche

Afreen Tanisha, Special Interest Coordinator - Tyler Herman

Justin Barnes, Sports Coordinator - Madison Nitsche

Thomas Diaz, Senator - Tyler Herman

Fatou Diop, Senator - Tyler Herman

Tyler Herman, Senator - Tyler Herman

Madison Nitsche, Senator - Madison Nitsche
Krish Thakkar, Senator - Tyler Herman
Khan Yasin, Senator - Tyler Herman
Josephina Nimarko, Student Affairs Director - Madison Nitsche
Nicholas Singh - Abstain
7 Madison Nitsche, 7 Tyler Herman, 1 Abstain

Austin Wolfgang motions for a 5-minute recess
    Second Jason Li

The motion passes by unanimous consent

Nicholas Singh, President, calls the meeting back to order after the 5 minute recess

Second Vote for Chairperson

Montana Desabio, Vice President - Tyler Herman
Austin Wolfgang, Treasurer - Madison Nitsche
Nathan Cottom, Academic Coordinator - Madison Nitsche
Jason Li, Hobby Coordinator - Tyler Herman
Cassandra Ramsay, International Coordinator - Madison Nitsche
Afreen Tanisha, Special Interest Coordinator - Tyler Herman
Justin Barnes, Sports Coordinator - Tyler Herman
Thomas Diaz, Senator - Tyler Herman
Fatou Diop, Senator - Tyler Herman
Tyler Herman, Senator - Tyler Herman
Madison Nitsche, Senator - Madison Nitsche
Krish Thakkar, Senator - Tyler Herman
Khan Yasin, Senator - Tyler Herman
Josephina Nimarko, Student Affairs Director - Abstain
Nicholas Singh - Abstain
4 Madison Nitsche, 9 Tyler Herman, 2 Abstain

Conclusion: Tyler Herman is elected the Senate Chairperson

Adjournment

1. Motion to Adjourn meeting by Auston Wolfgang

   Second Jason Li

   Without objection, the motion passes by unanimous consent

   Conclusion: Meeting of the Senate Committee Adjourned at 9:45 pm