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University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. Senate Meeting

May 1, 2026 - 5:00 pm

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

Present

Aisha Adam, SA President; **Will Dong***, SA Vice President for Clubs; **Ben Lau**, SA Vice President for Events; **Jack Koscinski***, SA Treasurer; **Aidan Thomas**, Senate Chairperson; **Aeaad Alawaad***, Senator; **Adam Bilali**, Senator; **Joshua Brodsky***, Senator; **Cole DeVantier**, Senator; **Sierra Fernandez***, Senator; **Michaelangelo Fontana**, Senator; **Ismat Haque**, Senator; **Piyush Ohri**, Senator; **Grant Peterson***, Senator; **Nour Touti***, Academic Council Coordinator; **Ryder Albano***, Engineering Council Coordinator; **Leya Skaria**, Hobby Council Coordinator; **Akash Shah**, International Council Coordinator; **Nasra Isse***, Special Interest Council Coordinator; **Devin Hendricks***, Sports Council Coordinator.

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

Absent

Mason Bayer, SA Vice President for Advocacy; **Arya Dixit**, Senator; **Rima Saeed**, Senator; **Manal Al Bahantah**, People of Color Council Coordinator.

Call to Order

Aidan Thomas, Senate Chairperson, calls the meeting to order at 5:10 pm.

Aidan Thomas, Senate Chairperson, proceeds to call the roll.

Aisha Adam	Present
Mason Bayer	Absent
Will Dong	Present
Ben Lau	Present
Jack Koscinski	Present
Aidan Thomas	Present
Aeaad Alawaad	Present
Adam Bilali	Present

Joshua Brodsky	Absent
Cole DeVantier	Present
Arya Dixit	Absent
Sierra Fernandez	Absent
Michaelangelo Fontana	Present
Ismat Haque	Present
Piyush Ohri	Present
Grant Peterson	Absent
Rima Saeed	Absent
Nour Touti	Absent
Ryder Albano	Present
Leya Skaria	Present
Akash Shah	Present
Manal Al Bahantah	Absent
Nasra Isse	Present
Devin Hendricks	Present
16 Present, 8 Absent	

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

Approval of Minutes

Aidan Thomas, Senate Chairperson, introduces April 22, 2026 Senate Meeting Minutes for consideration.

Motion to approve April 22, 2026 Senate Meeting Minutes.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

****Result: April 22, 2026 Senate Meeting Minutes are approved.****

Old Business

None.

New Business

Aidan Thomas, Senate Chairperson, introduces SA Budget Adjustment #25-16 for consideration.

****Nour Touti, Academic Council Coordinator, enters at 5:25 pm.****

Motion to approve SA Budget Adjustment #25-16 by Aisha Adam; second Aeaad Alawaad.

Aisha Adam	Yes
Will Dong	Yes
Ben Lau	Yes
Jack Koscinski	Yes
Aidan Thomas	Yes
Aeaad Alawaad	Yes
Adam Bilali	Yes
Cole DeVantier	Yes
Michaelangelo Fontana	Yes
Ismat Haque	Yes
Piyush Ohri	Yes
Nour Touti	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Leya Skaria	Yes
Akash Shah	Yes
Nasra Isse	Yes
Devin Hendricks	Yes

17 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to approve SA Budget Adjustment #25-16 passes 17-0-0.

****Result: SA Budget Adjustment #25-16 is approved.****

****Will Dong, SA Vice President for Clubs, and Jack Koscinski, SA Treasurer, leave at 5:28 pm.****

****Grant Peterson, Senator, enters at 5:30 pm.****

Aidan Thomas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#30 ("Resolution to Align SA Officer Stipend Rates") for consideration.

Motion to recess the Senate meeting until the ongoing fire alarm ends by Aidan Thomas.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

****Result: Meeting is recessed until the ongoing fire alarm ends.****

Aidan Thomas, Senate Chairperson, calls the meeting to order at 5:56 pm.

Aidan Thomas, Senate Chairperson, proceeds to call the roll.

Aisha Adam	Present
Mason Bayer	Absent
Will Dong	Absent
Ben Lau	Present
Jack Kosciński	Absent
Aidan Thomas	Present
Aeaad Alawaad	Present
Adam Bilali	Present
Joshua Brodsky	Present
Cole DeVantier	Present
Arya Dixit	Absent
Sierra Fernandez	Present
Michaelangelo Fontana	Present
Ismat Haque	Present
Piyush Ohri	Present
Grant Peterson	Present
Rima Saeed	Absent
Nour Touti	Present
Ryder Albano	Present
Leya Skaria	Absent
Akash Shah	Present
Manal Al Bahantah	Absent

Nasra Isse Present

Devin Hendricks Absent

16 Present, 8 Absent

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

****Nasra Isse, Special Interest Council Coordinator, leaves at 6:16 pm.****

****Ryder Albano, Engineering Council Coordinator, leaves at 6:31 pm.****

Motion to deny Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#30 by Joshua Brodsky; no second.

****Sierra Fernandez, Senator, leaves at 6:51 pm.****

****Sierra Fernandez, Senator, enters at 6:52 pm.****

****Aeaad Alawaad, Senator, leaves at 7:08 pm.****

****Aeaad Alawaad, Senator, enters at 7:09 pm.****

Motion to deny Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#30 by Joshua Brodsky; second Grant Peterson.

Aisha Adam No

Ben Lau Yes

Aidan Thomas No

Aeaad Alawaad No

Adam Bilali No

Joshua Brodsky Yes

Cole DeVantier No

Sierra Fernandez Yes

Michaelangelo Fontana No

Ismat Haque No

Piyush Ohri Yes

Grant Peterson Yes

Nour Touti No

Akash Shah No

5 Yes, 9 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to deny Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#30 does not pass 5-9-0.

Motion to approve Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#30 by Aisha Adam; second Ismat Haque.

Aisha Adam	Yes
Ben Lau	No
Aidan Thomas	Yes
Aeaad Alawaad	Yes
Adam Bilali	Yes
Joshua Brodsky	No
Cole DeVantier	Yes
Sierra Fernandez	Yes
Michaelangelo Fontana	Yes
Ismat Haque	Yes
Piyush Ohri	No
Grant Peterson	No
Nour Touti	Yes
Akash Shah	Yes

10 Yes, 4 No, 0 Abstain

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the Senate meeting by Sierra Fernandez; second Joshua Brodsky.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

****Result: Meeting is adjourned at 7:25 pm.****

SA Budget Adjustment #25-16

	Current SAFE Budget Balance	Adjustment Amount	New SAFE Budget Balance	Description
Banquets-Activity Expense	\$ 18,930.00	\$ (18,093.00)	\$ 837.00	From Bankquests to Cap Equip
Administration-Capital Equipment Purchases	\$ 17,509.81	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 32,509.81	From Banquet to Cap Equip
Administration-Service Contracts	\$ 500.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	From Banquet to Eweek
Engineering Week-Activity Expense	\$ 788.72	\$ 1,093.00	\$ 1,881.72	Banquet to Service Contracts & E- Week winner SAE
Engineering Week-Activity Expense	\$ 1,881.72	\$ (750.00)	\$ 1,131.72	From E-Week to SAE Winner
Society Automotive Engineers (SAE)-Activity Expense	\$ 2,686.21	\$ 750.00	\$ 3,436.21	From E-Week to SAE Winner
Sup Funding New Clubs And Appeals-Supplemental Funding	\$ 2,824.15	\$ (500.00)	\$ 2,324.15	to New Club Budgets
Gift of Life-Activity Expense	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	New Club Budget
Pentecost Students & Associates-Activity Expense	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	New Club Budget



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Resolution - 2025–2026- #30

Subject: Resolution to Align SA Officer Stipend Rates

Submitted by: **Aisha Adam**, SA President; **Arya Dixit**, Senator; **Nour Touti**,
Academic Council Coordinator

WHEREAS, University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. (“SA”) seeks to align the stipends of its Officers with the hourly rates paid to its non-stipend, non-salary University at Buffalo student employees; and

WHEREAS, calculations under this Resolution are intended to account for the aforesaid hourly rate, multiplied by an estimated 20 hours per week; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that, effective May 15, 2026, at 12:00 am, the weekly stipend rate set forth below is approved for each of the following SA Officer positions: SA President; SA Vice President for Advocacy; SA Vice President for Clubs; SA Vice President for Events; and SA Treasurer.

Weekly Stipend Rate: \$465.00