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## University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. Senate Meeting

April 22, 2026 - 5:00 pm

Student Union Room 210, University at Buffalo North Campus  
Amherst, NY 14260

### Present

**Aisha Adam\***, SA President; **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; **Aidan Thomas**, Senate Chairperson; **Aeaad Alawaad\***, Senator; **Adam Bilali\***, Senator; **Joshua Brodsky\***, Senator; **Cole DeVantier**, Senator; **Arya Dixit\***, Senator; **Michaelangelo Fontana**, Senator; **Ismat Haque**, Senator; **Piyush Ohri**, Senator; **Grant Peterson\***, Senator; **Rima Saeed**, Senator; **Nour Touti\***, Academic Council Coordinator; **Ryder Albano**, Engineering Council Coordinator; **Leya Skaria\***, Hobby Council Coordinator; **Akash Shah\***, International Council Coordinator; **Manal Al Bahantah**, People of Color Council Coordinator; **Nasra Isse**, Special Interest Council Coordinator.

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

### Absent

**Sierra Fernandez**, Senator; **Devin Hendricks**, Sports Council Coordinator.

### Call to Order

Aidan Thomas, Senate Chairperson, calls the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

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

Aisha Adam	Absent
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	Present
Sierra Fernandez	Absent
Michaelangelo Fontana	Present
Ismat Haque	Present
Piyush Ohri	Present
Grant Peterson	Absent
Rima Saeed	Present
Nour Touti	Absent
Ryder Albano	Present
Leya Skaria	Present
Akash Shah	Present
Manal Al Bahantah	Present
Nasra Isse	Present
Devin Hendricks	Absent
17 Present, 7 Absent	

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

## Approval of Minutes

**\*\*Aisha Adam, SA President, enters at 5:01 pm.\*\***

Aidan Thomas, Senate Chairperson, introduces April 8, 2026 Senate Meeting Minutes for consideration.

Motion to approve April 8, 2026 Senate Meeting Minutes by Aeaad Alawaad; second Jack Koscinski.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

**\*\*Result: April 8, 2026 Senate Meeting Minutes are approved.\*\***

**\*\*Mason Bayer, SA Vice President for Advocacy, Joshua Brodsky, Senator, and Grant Peterson, Senator, enter at 5:01 pm.\*\***

## Old Business

None.

## New Business

Motion to consider SA Treasurer Proposed Budget next and Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#28 (“Resolution to Align SA Officer Stipend Rates”) last by Jack Koscinski; second Aisha Adam.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

**\*\*Result: The SA Treasurer Proposed Budget is to be considered next and Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#28 is to be considered last.\*\***

Aidan Thomas, Senate Chairperson, introduces SA Treasurer Proposed Budget for consideration.

**\*\*Nour Touti, Academic Council Coordinator, enters at 5:04 pm.\*\***

Motion to approve SA Treasurer Proposed Budget by Mason Bayer; second Aisha Adam.

Aisha Adam	Yes
Mason Bayer	Yes
Will Dong	Yes
Ben Lau	Yes
Jack Koscinski	Yes
Aidan Thomas	Yes
Aeaad Alawaad	Yes
Adam Bilali	Yes
Joshua Brodsky	No
Cole DeVantier	Yes
Arya Dixit	Yes
Michaelangelo Fontana	Yes
Ismat Haque	Yes
Piyush Ohri	Yes
Grant Peterson	No
Rima Saeed	Yes

Nour Touti	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Leya Skaria	Yes
Akash Shah	Yes
Manal Al Bahantah	Yes
Nasra Isse	Yes

20 Yes, 2 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to approve SA Treasurer Proposed Budget passes 20-2-0.

**\*\*Result: SA Treasurer Proposed Budget is approved.\*\***

Aidan Thomas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#26 (“Resolution to Temporarily Suspend Portion of SA Annual Registration and Requirements for Recognition Policy”) for consideration.

Motion to approve Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#26 by Mason Bayer; second Grant Peterson.

Aisha Adam	Yes
Mason Bayer	Yes
Will Dong	Yes
Ben Lau	Yes
Jack Kosciński	Yes
Aidan Thomas	Yes
Aeaad Alawaad	Yes
Adam Bilali	Yes
Joshua Brodsky	Yes
Cole DeVantier	Yes
Arya Dixit	Yes
Michaelangelo Fontana	Yes
Ismat Haque	Yes
Piyush Ohri	Yes
Grant Peterson	Yes

Rima Saeed	Yes
Nour Touti	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Leya Skaria	Yes
Akash Shah	Yes
Manal Al Bahantah	Yes
Nasra Isse	Yes

22 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to approve Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#26 passes 22-0-0.

**\*\*Result: Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#26 is approved.\*\***

Aidan Thomas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#27 (“Resolution to Amend SA Election Rules”) for consideration.

Motion to approve Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#27 by Jack Koscinski; second Mason Bayer.

Aisha Adam	Yes
Mason Bayer	Yes
Will Dong	Yes
Ben Lau	Yes
Jack Koscinski	Yes
Aidan Thomas	Yes
Aeaad Alawaad	Yes
Adam Bilali	Yes
Joshua Brodsky	No
Cole DeVantier	Yes
Arya Dixit	Yes
Michaelangelo Fontana	Yes
Ismat Haque	Yes
Piyush Ohri	Yes
Grant Peterson	Yes

Rima Saeed	Yes
Nour Touti	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Leya Skaria	Yes
Akash Shah	Yes
Manal Al Bahantah	Yes
Nasra Isse	Yes

21 Yes, 1 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to approve Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#27 passes 21-1-0.

**\*\*Result: Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#27 is approved.\*\***

Aidan Thomas, Senate Chairperson, introduces SA Budget Adjustment #25-15 for consideration.

Motion to approve SA Budget Adjustment #25-15 by Mason Bayer; second Grant Peterson.

Aisha Adam	Yes
Mason Bayer	Yes
Will Dong	Yes
Ben Lau	Yes
Jack Koscinski	Yes
Aidan Thomas	Yes
Aeaad Alawaad	Yes
Adam Bilali	Yes
Joshua Brodsky	Yes
Cole DeVantier	Yes
Arya Dixit	Yes
Michaelangelo Fontana	Yes
Ismat Haque	Yes
Piyush Ohri	Yes
Grant Peterson	Yes

Rima Saeed	Yes
Nour Touti	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Leya Skaria	Yes
Akash Shah	Yes
Manal Al Bahantah	Yes
Nasra Isse	Yes

22 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to approve SA Budget Adjustment #25-15 passes 22-0-0.

**\*\*Result: SA Budget Adjustment #25-15 is approved.\*\***

**\*\*Will Dong, SA Vice President for Clubs, Jack Koscinski, SA Treasurer, and Na'Dia Carter leave at 5:37 pm.\*\***

Aidan Thomas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#28 for consideration.

The Senate automatically enters a period of open discussion.

**\*\*Grant Peterson, Senator leaves at 6:02 pm.\*\***

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

**\*\*Na'Dia Carter enters and leaves at 6:18 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Nour Touti, Academic Council Coordinator, leaves at 6:21 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Leya Skaria, Hobby Council Coordinator, leaves at 6:24 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Aeaad Alawaad, Senator, leaves at 6:25 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Akash Shah, International Council Coordinator, leaves at 6:26 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Aeaad Alawaad, Senator, and Akash Shah, International Council Coordinator, enter at 6:28 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Leya Skaria, Hobby Council Coordinator, enters at 6:29 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Adam Bilali, Senator, leaves at 6:33 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Arya Dixit, Senator, leaves at 6:35 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Arya Dixit, Senator, enters at 6:36 pm.\*\***

**\*\*Adam Bilali, Senator, enters at 6:37 pm.\*\***

Motion to enter a period of voting by Mason Bayer; second Manal Al Bahantah.

Division - Aidan Thomas proceeds to call the roll.

Aisha Adam	Yes
Mason Bayer	Yes
Ben Lau	Yes
Aidan Thomas	Yes
Aeaad Alawaad	Yes
Adam Bilali	Yes
Joshua Brodsky	No
Cole DeVantier	Yes
Arya Dixit	Yes
Michaelangelo Fontana	Yes
Ismat Haque	Yes
Piyush Ohri	Yes
Grant Peterson	Yes
Rima Saeed	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Leya Skaria	Yes
Akash Shah	Yes
Manal Al Bahantah	Yes
Nasra Isse	Yes

18 Yes, 1 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to enter a period of voting passes 18-1-0.

Motion to deny Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#28 by Mason Bayer; second Grant Peterson.

Aisha Adam	No
Mason Bayer	Yes
Ben Lau	Yes

Aidan Thomas	No
Aeaad Alawaad	Yes
Adam Bilali	No
Joshua Brodsky	Yes
Cole DeVantier	Yes
Arya Dixit	No
Michaelangelo Fontana	No
Ismat Haque	No
Piyush Ohri	Yes
Grant Peterson	Yes
Rima Saeed	Yes
Ryder Albano	No
Leya Skaria	No
Akash Shah	No
Manal Al Bahantah	No
Nasra Isse	No

8 Yes, 11 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to deny Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#28 does not pass 8-11-0.

Motion to approve Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#28 by Arya Dixit; second Aisha Adam.

Aisha Adam	Yes
Mason Bayer	No
Ben Lau	Abstain
Aidan Thomas	Abstain
Aeaad Alawaad	No
Adam Bilali	Abstain
Joshua Brodsky	No
Cole DeVantier	Abstain

Arya Dixit	Yes
Michaelangelo Fontana	Abstain
Ismat Haque	Yes
Piyush Ohri	No
Grant Peterson	No
Rima Saeed	Abstain
Ryder Albano	Yes
Leya Skaria	Yes
Akash Shah	Yes
Manal Al Bahantah	Yes
Nasra Isse	Yes

8 Yes, 5 No, 6 Abstain

Motion to approve Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#28 does not pass 8-5-6.

## Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the Senate meeting by Grant Peterson; second Joshua Brodsky.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

**\*\*Result: Meeting is adjourned at 6:45 pm.\*\***

## SA Treasurer Proposed Budget

Account Name	2026-2027 Budget	
Appropriated Net Assets	\$	(1,250,000.00)
Student Activity Fee	\$	(4,255,000.00)
Ticket Office Revenue	\$	(14,000.00)
Interest Revenue	\$	(2,000.00)
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$	-
Returns	\$	-
Gain	\$	(100,000.00)
Unrealized Gains on Investments	\$	-
Regular Pay	\$	635,000.00
Hourly Pay	\$	475,000.00
Student Stipends	\$	176,228.00
Employer Taxes	\$	125,000.00
Health Insurance	\$	85,000.00
Dental Insurance	\$	8,500.00
Life Insurance	\$	1,750.00
403b plan	\$	75,000.00
Fiscal Service	\$	278,000.00
Ticket Office	\$	99,700.00
Legal	\$	115,000.00
Accounting	\$	9,700.00
Service Contracts	\$	12,000.00
Office Supplies	\$	25,000.00
Postage	\$	500.00
Technology	\$	5,000.00
Maintenance and Repairs	\$	10,000.00
Meetings - Cashless Tolls	\$	5,000.00
Conferences, Conventions	\$	15,000.00
Staff Development	\$	30,000.00
Prepaid Insurance	\$	220,000.00
Prepaid Service Contracts	\$	50,000.00
Rental Car	\$	65,000.00
Late Fees and Finance Charges	\$	100.00
Miscellaneous Expense	\$	250.00
Capital Equipment Purchases	\$	10,000.00
Capital Equipment Capitalized	\$	-
Depreciation	\$	-
Advertising and Promotion	\$	15,000.00
LT Plan Club Supplemental Funding	\$	40,000.00
LT Plan Speakers / Comedy	\$	75,000.00
LT Plan Campus Wide Initiatives	\$	15,000.00
LT Plan Officer Training	\$	10,000.00
LT Planning Alumni Initiatives	\$	40,000.00
LT Plan Bullsapalooza	\$	75,000.00
LT Plan Office Tech Replacement Scedule	\$	15,000.00

LT Plan Activity and Events General	\$	50,000.00
LT Plan Programming	\$	50,000.00
LT Plan AMC and Other Ticket Distribute	\$	49,000.00
LT Plan Carnival & Homecoming	\$	45,000.00
LT Plan Fests / Concerts	\$	100,000.00
Club Fundraiser Rollover	\$	205,000.00
Sup Funding New Clubs and Appeals	\$	10,000.00
Sup Funding for Travel and Conference	\$	20,000.00
Sup Funding for Events	\$	20,000.00
Sup Funding for Equipment	\$	10,000.00
Derecognized Club Budgets	\$	-
Small Events	\$	5,000.00
Bullsapalooza	\$	275,000.00
Bullsapalooza	\$	50,000.00
Fests / Concerts	\$	250,000.00
Fests / Concerts	\$	250,000.00
Speakers / Comedy	\$	75,000.00
Speakers / Comedy	\$	75,000.00
Summer Rentals	\$	10,000.00
Engineering Week	\$	20,000.00
International Fiesta	\$	20,000.00
Programming	\$	60,000.00
Club Administration	\$	15,832.00
Student Legal Services	\$	49,440.00
Carnival & Homecoming	\$	75,000.00
Banquets	\$	50,000.00
Student Assembly Administration	\$	15,000.00
Act & Events General	\$	100,000.00
Club Budgets	\$	850,000.00
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Total Revenues	\$	(5,621,000.00)
Total Expenses	\$	5,621,000.00
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(Surplus)/Deficit	\$	-

If any money from the Club Budgets amount is not allocated according to the budget policy any remaining money will automatically transfer to the Newly Recognized Club Funding and Club Appeals Line.

If any club allocated a budget is derecognized prior to 8/1/2026 that club's budget shall be automatically transferred to Derecognized Club Budgets Line



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**Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#26**

**Subject:** Resolution to Temporarily Suspend Portion of SA Annual Registration and Requirements for Recognition Policy  
**Requested by:** Aisha Adam, SA President; Will Dong, SA Vice President for Clubs; Jack Koscinski, SA Treasurer.

**WHEREAS**, the University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. (“SA”) Annual Registration and Requirements for Recognition Policy (the “ARRR Policy”) provides, among other requirements, that SA clubs which fail to hold three club meetings or events on campus by April 30 shall be derecognized by SA;

**WHEREAS**, SA is reviewing the ARRR Policy to determine whether these requirements should be relaxed for newly-recognized SA clubs, in order to afford such clubs a full and fair opportunity to meet such requirements when such clubs are recognized by SA close in time to April 30; and

**WHEREAS**, as a temporary and interim measure, SA intends to suspend the ARRR Policy’s three club meetings or events requirement for clubs recognized in the Spring 2026 semester, to allow such clubs a full and fair opportunity to meet such requirement; now, therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that, for the 2025-2026 academic year only, the SA ARRR Policy be temporarily amended, such that, under the “Club Requirements” heading, the text of item 1 is replaced with the following text, without quotation marks: “Except for clubs recognized by SA during the Spring 2026 semester, hold three (3) club meetings or events on campus”; and

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



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**Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#27**

**Subject:** Resolution to Amend SA Election Rules  
**Requested by:** Aisha Adam, SA President.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. Election Rules are amended, such that the current text of subsection 5(i) is replaced with the following text, without quotation marks:

“The results of an election shall be announced publicly by the E&C Chair or their designee within seven calendar days of the conclusion of voting, unless doing so is impracticable or impossible. Before such announcement:

- (1) the E&C Chair must not communicate the results of the election to any person, unless (A) such person is not a candidate in such election, and (B) the E&C Chair deems it reasonably necessary for such person to know of those results at that time; and
- (2) no other person may communicate the results of the election to any person who does not already know of those results.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, any violation of Section 5(i) of these Rules shall not alter the outcome of, or otherwise invalidate, an election.”; and

**BE IT RESOLVED** that this Resolution is effective immediately; and any underlining in this Resolution shall not appear in the text of the amended Election Rules.

### SA Budget Adjustment #25-15

	Current SAFE Budget Balance	Adjustment Amount	New SAFE Budget Balance	Description
Yaio Club-Activity Expense	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	New club budget
NMDP Chapter of UB-Activity Expense	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	New club budget
Smash Pickleball Club-Activity Expense	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	New club budget
Music Producers-Activity Expense	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	New club budget
Women of Aeronautics & Astronautics-Activity Expense	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	New club budget
Sup Funding New Clubs And Appeals-Supplemental Funding	\$ 2,824.15	\$ (1,250.00)	\$ 1,574.15	New club budget



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**Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#28**

**Subject:** Resolution to Align SA Officer Stipend Rates  
**Requested 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:** (The highest dollar amount that SA may pay to any hourly, non-stipend, non-salary University at Buffalo student employee for one hour of work) × 20.