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University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. Senate Meeting

December 3, 2025 - 5:00 pm

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

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Student Union Room 330, University at Buffalo North Campus
Amherst, NY 14260

Present

Aisha Adam, SA President; **Mason Bayer**, SA Vice President for Advocacy; **Ben Lau**, SA Vice President for Events; **Jack Koscinski***, SA Treasurer; **Gavin Krauciunas**, Senate Chairperson; **Aeaad Alawaad**, Senator; **Adam Bilali**, Senator; **Arya Dixit**, Senator; **Sierra Fernandez**, Senator; **Michaelangelo Fontana**, Senator; **Ismat Haque**, Senator; **Piyush Ohri**, Senator; **Grant Peterson**, Senator; **Rima Saeed**, Senator; **Aidan Thomas**, Senator; **Nour Touti**, Academic Council Coordinator; **Ryder Albano**, Engineering Council Coordinator; **Leya Skaria**, Hobby 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

Will Dong, SA Vice President for Clubs; **Joshua Brodsky**, Senator; **Akash Shah**, International Council Coordinator.

Call to Order

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, calls the meeting to order at 5:04 pm in Student Union Room 378.

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

Aisha Adam	Present
Mason Bayer	Present
Will Dong	Absent
Ben Lau	Present
Jack Koscinski	Absent

Gavin Krauciunas	Present
Aeaad Alawaad	Present
Adam Bilali	Present
Joshua Brodsky	Absent
Arya Dixit	Present
Sierra Fernandez	Present
Michaelangelo Fontana	Present
Ismat Haque	Present
Piyush Ohri	Present
Grant Peterson	Present
Rima Saeed	Present
Aidan Thomas	Present
Nour Touti	Present
Ryder Albano	Present
Leya Skaria	Present
Akash Shah	Absent
Manal Al Bahantah	Absent
Nasra Isse	Present
Devin Hendricks	Present
19 Present, 5 Absent	

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

Approval of Minutes

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces November 19, 2025 Senate Meeting Minutes for consideration.

Motion to approve November 19, 2025 Senate Meeting Minutes by Ben Lau;
second Aidan Thomas.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

****Result: November 19, 2025 Senate Meeting Minutes are approved.****

Motion to consider Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#16 (“Resolution to Move Meeting Locations.”) next by Gavin Krauciunas; second Mason Bayer.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

****Result: Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#16 will be considered next.****

****Jack Koscinski, SA Treasurer, and Manal Al Bahantah, People of Color Council Coordinator, enter at 5:07 pm.****

Motion to approve Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#16 by Aidan Thomas; second Grant Peterson.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

****Result: Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#16 is approved. The meeting is adjourned at 5:08 pm in accordance with the terms of Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#16.****

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, calls the meeting to order at 5:13 pm in Student Union Room 330.

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

Aisha Adam	Present
Mason Bayer	Present
Will Dong	Absent
Ben Lau	Present
Jack Koscinski	Present
Gavin Krauciunas	Present
Aeaad Alawaad	Present
Adam Bilali	Present
Joshua Brodsky	Absent
Arya Dixit	Present
Sierra Fernandez	Present
Michaelangelo Fontana	Present
Ismat Haque	Present
Piyush Ohri	Present
Grant Peterson	Present
Rima Saeed	Present

Aidan Thomas	Present
Nour Touti	Present
Ryder Albano	Present
Leya Skaria	Present
Akash Shah	Absent
Manal Al Bahantah	Present
Nasra Isse	Present
Devin Hendricks	Present

21 Present, 3 Absent

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

Committee Reports

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Advocacy Committee report.

Mason Bayer, SA Vice President for Advocacy, addresses the Senate.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#13 ("Resolution to Update SA Club Violations Policy") for consideration.

Motion to approve Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#13 by Jack Koscinski; second Mason Bayer.

Aisha Adam	Yes
Mason Bayer	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
Rima Saeed	Yes
Aidan Thomas	Yes
Nour Touti	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Leya Skaria	Yes
Manal Al Bahantah	Yes
Nasra Isse	Yes
Devin Hendricks	Yes

21 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

Motion to approve Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#13 passes 21-0-0.

****Result: Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#13 is approved.****

Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson, introduces Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#15 (“Resolution to Add Additional Senator to Audit Committee”) for consideration.

Motion to approve Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#15 by Mason Bayer; second Aisha Adam.

Aisha Adam	Yes
Mason Bayer	Yes
Ben Lau	Yes
Jack Koscinski	Yes
Gavin Krauciunas	Yes
Aeaad Alawaad	Yes
Adam Bilali	Abstain
Arya Dixit	Yes
Sierra Fernandez	Yes
Michaelangelo Fontana	Yes

Ismat Haque	Yes
Piyush Ohri	Yes
Grant Peterson	Abstain
Rima Saeed	Yes
Aidan Thomas	Yes
Nour Touti	Yes
Ryder Albano	Yes
Leya Skaria	Yes
Manal Al Bahantah	Yes
Nasra Isse	Yes
Devin Hendricks	Yes

19 Yes, 0 No, 2 Abstain

Motion to approve Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#15 passes 19-0-2.

****Result: Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#15 is approved.****

Will Eaton, SA Contract Assistant, notes for the purpose of the minutes that there is no Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#14.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the Senate meeting by Jack Koscinski; second Aidan Thomas.

Without objection, motion passes with unanimous consent.

****Result: Meeting is adjourned at 5:32 pm.****



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Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#16

Subject: Resolution to Move Meeting Locations.
Requested by: Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson.

WHEREAS, Section 4.01(d)(v) of the University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. By-Laws provides that:

“A majority of Senators present, whether or not a quorum is present, may adjourn any meeting of the Senate to another time and place. If the adjournment is for more than twenty-four (24) hours, notice (via e-mail only) of any adjournment of a meeting of Senate to another time of place shall be given to the Senators who were not present at the time of the adjournment and, unless such time and place are announced at the meeting, to the other Senators.”; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate hereby adjourns this December 3, 2025 5:00 pm meeting of the Senate to Student Union Room 330, University at Buffalo North Campus, Amherst, NY 14260 on December 3, 2025, at 5:10 pm, and the Advocacy Committee meeting scheduled for the same date to the same location, beginning immediately following the end of the aforesaid Senate meeting, and the Audit Committee meeting scheduled for the same date to the same location, beginning immediately following the end of the aforesaid Advocacy Committee meeting; and

BE IT RESOLVED that this Resolution is effective immediately.



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Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#13

Subject: Resolution to Update SA Club Violations Policy
Requested by: Will Dong, SA Vice President for Clubs.

BE IT RESOLVED that the attached amended Club Violations Policy shall be the Club Violations Policy of University at Buffalo Student Association Inc., amending and replacing the current Club Violations Policy; and

BE IT RESOLVED that this Resolution is effective immediately; any underlined text in this Resolution or its attachments shall not appear underlined in the text of any amended policy; and any struck-through text in this Resolution or its attachments shall not appear in the text of any amended policy.



Club Violations Policy

Policy Information

Date Established: March 6, 2023

Date Last Updated: October 1, 2025

Category: Clubs

Overview

A club found responsible for violation of any University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. ("SA"), University at Buffalo ("UB"), or State University of New York ("SUNY") Policy, or applicable law or regulation, may be subject to a variety of sanctions, including warning, probation, fine, removal of involved officer(s) or derecognition of the club. While there may be consequences for the club's actions, SA's goal is that clubs find this process educational. Sanctions are designed to help a club learn and grow.

Sanctions imposed under the SA Club Violations Policy are separate from any proceedings or consequences a student may face if charged with a crime or violation of UB policy.

Violations Process

A report of an alleged violation of policy, law or regulation shall be submitted to the SA Vice President for Clubs or the SA Vice President for Clubs's designee. The SA Vice President for Clubs or designee may ask additional SA Officers, Directors, or Staff to advise them on the situation and help gather additional information.

~~If the SA Vice President for Clubs or designee determines that a warning is appropriate, a warning shall be provided to the club, club officers may be required to sign a statement of understanding, and club officers or members may be required to attend training(s). Any such warning or training steps shall not preclude the SA Officers from taking further or additional action with respect to such violation in the future.~~

If the Vice President for Clubs determines that further action may be appropriate, the club will be notified of the alleged violation and be given 7 days to submit a written statement pertaining to the alleged violation and to respond to any request for additional information that the SA Officers determine is pertinent to deciding the matter. Pending final determination, a club may be temporarily suspended from performing any activity by the Vice President for Clubs and either the SA President or SA Treasurer if there is reasonable evidence that the club has been part of an action that is deemed as a "clear and present danger" to themselves or others in the campus community or has violated rules as it pertains to spending money. While temporarily suspended a club's budget will be frozen, and they will not be allowed to perform any club functions.

Subject to any applicable legal limitations, clubs are required to fully cooperate in any SA investigation of a policy violation, including truthfully and completely answering relevant questions posed to them by SA officials and providing information, documentation and evidence as may be requested by SA officials. Dishonesty by the club or failure to reasonably cooperate with a reasonable SA investigation may be considered violation(s) of this policy, separate from and potentially in addition to the initial alleged violation.

If the SA Vice President for Clubs or designee determines that a warning is appropriate, a warning shall be provided to the club, club officers may be required to sign a statement of understanding by

a certain date, and club officers or members may be required to attend training(s) by a certain date. Any such warning or training steps shall not preclude the SA Officers from taking further or additional action with respect to such violation in the future.

Upon finding that a violation of SA, UB, or SUNY policy, or applicable law or regulation has occurred, the SA Vice President for Clubs may impose any of the following sanctions for violations, following the consent of either the SA President or SA Treasurer (which must be the Treasurer for club budget freeze or fine):

- Loss of privileges
- Probation
- Fine (not to exceed 50% of the club's budget line at the time of the offense)
- Club budget freeze
- Removal of involved club officer(s) and prohibition on such person(s) serving as an officer of the club for the remainder of the academic year
- Derecognition of the Club
- Other sanctions as may be deemed appropriate.

In making such determination, the SA Officers may consider the strength of evidence against the club, the seriousness of the alleged conduct, and the club's history of past violations and/or warnings.

Once the final decision has been made the club will be informed of the outcome and any applicable sanction(s).

Appeals

Any appeal(s) of decisions regarding club violations may only be based on allegation(s) of procedural error, inaccurate application of criteria set forth under applicable policy or math pertaining to the relevant club, or violation of law. Before appealing to the Senate, the club must first submit a written request for reconsideration to the official(s) who rendered the decision, or to their successor(s) if such official(s) is no longer in office; such written request must state the basis upon which the reconsideration is requested. The club may only then appeal to the Senate if such official(s) denies the request for reconsideration or fails to respond to it within 14 days.

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Consideration of Club Applications Following Derecognition

A new club application for a club that is determined to be the same as a previously derecognized club via the below criteria may be denied for two full semesters after their initial derecognition. In determining whether a new club applicant is the same as a club that was previously derecognized, SA may look at consistency of purpose, activities, club officers and membership of the proposed new club in comparison to the previously derecognized club. The club applicants will also need to provide sufficient proof that they have taken reasonable precautions to ensure such wrongdoing does not happen again.

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Resolution - 2025-2026 - S#15

Subject: Resolution to Add Additional Senator to Audit Committee

Requested by: Gavin Krauciunas, Senate Chairperson.

BE IT RESOLVED that Adam Bilali is hereby added to the Audit Committee of the University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. Senate, in addition to the current members; and

BE IT RESOLVED that this Resolution is effective immediately.