



Resolutions of the University at Buffalo Council
March 28, 2022

Choplin naming resolution

- Whereas* Roger E. Choplin, BA '72, is an accomplished graduate of the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences at the University at Buffalo who has made impactful contributions to software engineering throughout his career; and
- whereas* Mr. Choplin worked in both technical and executive roles for a number of prominent companies such as Oracle Corporation, where he was instrumental in Oracle's dominance on open system platforms; and
- whereas* Mr. Choplin continues to provide his expertise as a technical consultant to venture capital firms and angel investors; and
- whereas* Mr. Choplin and his wife, Carolyn Mone, have committed funding to establish an endowed chair in software engineering to assist the UB School of Engineering and Applied Sciences in recruiting and retaining leaders and experts in the field; and
- whereas* they recognize the critical impact that funding endowed chairs has on the university's ability to recruit the very finest faculty and students to UB, and to create world-class opportunities for students and faculty; and
- whereas* Mr. Choplin and Ms. Mone consider their philanthropic commitments to UB, and Mr. Choplin's participation as a member of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering's Advisory Board, important expressions of their appreciation for Mr. Choplin's UB education; be it therefore
- resolved* that in deep appreciation for Mr. Choplin and Ms. Mone and their support of engineering education, the UB Council hereby endorses the naming of the Choplin Chair in Software Engineering; and be it further
- resolved* that this recognition be forwarded to the State University of New York System Administration for final review and approval by the SUNY Chancellor and the SUNY Board of Trustees; and be it further
- resolved* that this resolution be permanently entered into the records of the UB Council.

Rose naming resolution

- Whereas* Lewis M. Rose, BA '78, JD '81, and Jacqui Rose have been steadfast supporters of, and active volunteers at, the University at Buffalo and the School of Law; and
- whereas* Mr. Rose has a long history of sharing his time with the university through his involvement in the Law Alumni Association, and his willingness to both mentor and place students and share his expertise by teaching seminars; and
- whereas* Mr. Rose and Mrs. Rose are committed to the School of Law's expansive clinical program to provide students with practical training and exposure to a wide array of justice issues, including civil rights, domestic violence, criminal justice and more; and
- whereas* Mr. Rose is an experienced legal practitioner and role model for students, having served as a managing partner at an international firm specializing in consumer protection, advertising, and consumer product safety law; and an attorney at law with the Federal Trade Commission, where he specialized in enforcing trade regulation rules and orders, civil penalty actions and consumer redress actions; and
- whereas* Mr. Rose and Mrs. Rose seek to enhance the various law clinics that nourish the talent and passion of student attorneys while furthering the School of Law's commitment to serving the public interest; be it therefore
- resolved* that in deep appreciation for Mr. Rose and Mrs. Rose and their support of the UB School of Law, the UB Council hereby endorses the naming of the Lew and Jacqui Rose Fund for Clinics; and be it further
- resolved* that this recognition be forwarded to the State University of New York System Administration for final review and approval by the SUNY Chancellor and the SUNY Board of Trustees; and be it further
- resolved* that this resolution be permanently entered into the records of the UB Council.

Silvers naming resolution

- Whereas* Eileen Silvers, BA '70, and Richard Bronstein have long been generous donors to, and active supporters of, the University at Buffalo; and
- whereas* Ms. Silvers has for many years shared her time with the university through her impactful work as a trustee of the UB Foundation and a member of the College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Advisory Council; and
- whereas* she credits UB with preparing her for law school at Columbia University, where she earned her Juris Doctor and went on to a prominent career as a legal professional, starting at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison; and
- whereas* Ms. Silvers, who was recognized with a UB Distinguished Alumni Award in 2016, has also held leadership roles overseeing taxes and corporate affairs for organizations such as Bristol Myers Squibb, Deloitte, Genpact, the CRY HAVOC theater company; and
- whereas* she also serves as president of her own firm, New York Skirt, LLC; and
- whereas* Mr. Bronstein, recognized as a leading tax lawyer in the United States by Chambers USA, Legal 500 and The Best Lawyers in America, was a partner and co-chair of the tax department at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison; and
- whereas* Ms. Silvers and Mr. Bronstein have generously provided support for UB students both in their academic and campus experiences; be it therefore
- resolved* that in deep appreciation for the philanthropic commitment of Ms. Silvers and Mr. Bronstein, the UB Council hereby endorses the naming of the Eileen Silvers, BA '70 and Richard Bronstein Conference Room in the University Club at One World Café; and be it further
- resolved* that this resolution be permanently entered into the records of the UB Council.

Sivakumar naming resolution

- Whereas* Dandapani Sivakumar, PhD '96, has been a steadfast supporter of the University at Buffalo and the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences; and
- whereas* Dr. Sivakumar has shared his time with the university through his impactful work as a member of the Advisory Board of the UB Department of Computer Science and Engineering, and through speaking engagements with students and faculty; and
- whereas* Dr. Sivakumar has had a distinguished career, serving as the research director at Google Inc. as well as serving on the faculty of the Department of Computer Science at the University of Houston and holding positions at both the IBM Almaden Research Center and Yahoo!; and
- whereas* Dr. Sivakumar wishes to help attract world-class faculty to UB who will conduct in-depth research and develop innovative curriculum focused on artificial intelligence; and
- whereas* he is inspired by the late Dr. Katherine Johnson, a NASA pioneer and scientist who used computer science to solve a problem that could not be solved through classical mathematics; be it therefore
- resolved* that in deep appreciation for Dr. Sivakumar and his generous commitment to the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences, the UB Council hereby endorses the naming of the Katherine Johnson Chair in Artificial Intelligence; and be it further
- resolved* that this recognition be forwarded to the State University of New York System Administration for final review and approval by the SUNY Chancellor and the SUNY Board of Trustees; and be it further
- resolved* that this resolution be permanently entered into the records of the UB Council.

Winkler naming resolution

- Whereas* Marjorie E. Winkler, BS '75, PhD '80, and Paul F. Hohenschuh have long been steadfast and active volunteers at, and supporters of, the University at Buffalo and the College of Arts and Sciences, giving of both time and financial treasure; and
- whereas* Dr. Winkler has a long history of sharing her time with the university through her generous and impactful work as a director of the UB Foundation Board and a member of the College of Arts and Sciences' Dean's Advisory Council; and
- whereas* her service has been recognized with two of the university's most prestigious alumni awards—the Samuel P. Capen Award and the Clifford C. Furnas Award; and
- whereas* Dr. Winkler—who was a National Institutes of Health postdoctoral fellow at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Stanford—and Mr. Hohenschuh dedicated their careers to biotechnology, most recently retiring from senior leadership roles in biologics technical development and manufacturing/engineering, respectively, at Genentech, Inc., a leading biotechnology company; and
- whereas* Dr. Winkler and Mr. Hohenschuh have committed to several funds supporting both students and educators in UB's Department of Chemistry through active giving and long-sighted philanthropic planning; and
- whereas* the generosity of Dr. Winkler and Mr. Hohenschuh will continue to greatly enhance student and faculty experiences at UB; be it therefore
- resolved* that in deep appreciation for Dr. Winkler and Mr. Hohenschuh and their support of the College of Arts and Sciences, the UB Council hereby endorses the naming of the Dr. Marjorie E. Winkler Distinguished Professorship; and be it further
- resolved* that this recognition be forwarded to the State University of New York System Administration for final review and approval by the SUNY Chancellor and the SUNY Board of Trustees; and be it further
- resolved* that this resolution be permanently entered into the records of the UB Council.