

# BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 11, 2016

5:15 to 6:00 P.M.

Executive Board Room

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### 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER\*

The meeting was called to order by Senator Sanchez at 5:22 p.m.

### 2. ROLL CALL\*

*A two-thirds quorum must be established to hold a bonafide meeting*

The following members were present: Senator Sanchez, Director Mendoza, Senator Nicholson (teleconferencing), Senator Graves (teleconferencing), Senator Chavez, and Advisor Damania.

The following members were absent: none

The following members were excused: none

2/3 quorum was met, thus a bonafide meeting was held.

### 3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

*The Committee will discuss this agenda and may choose to amend or edit the agenda. Upon conclusion of the discussion the Committee may choose to adopt the agenda.*

- a. It was moved by Senator Chavez and seconded by Senator Nicholson to amend the agenda by striking out under item 4a. "November 24, 2015" and replacing with "January 28, 2016".

**Discussion:** It was addressed that a small error was made in the making of the agenda.

Senator Sanchez sought any objections to amending the agenda. In seeing none, the motion passed.

- i. Senator Sanchez sought any objections to adopting the agenda as amended.

**Discussion:** No further discussion occurred.

In seeing no objections, the agenda was adopted.

### 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

*The Committee will discuss those minutes and may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion the Committee may choose to adopt the minutes.*

- a. Senator Sanchez sought any objections to adopting the agenda for January 28, 2016.

**Discussion:** No further discussion occurred.

In seeing no objections to the main motion, the minutes were adopted.

### 5. PUBLIC COMMENT\*

*The Chair may elect to take public comment on any action items on this agenda. The Chair may impose reasonable limits on the length members of the public may speak which is stated before comment commence.*

- a. There were no comments made by the public.

### 6. INDIVIDUAL REPORTS

*The Chair shall recognize any officer of the Association, including the BCSGA Advisor, to offer a report on official activities since the previous meeting and make any summary announcements deemed necessary for no longer than five minutes.*

- a. Chair, *Senator Sanchez*: No report.

- b. BCSGA Advisor, *Dr. Damania*: No report.

- c. Senator Graves: I am looking to have an emergency meeting for the Finance committee in order to see if we could fund 15 students from WECOMM and another 6 students from the Bakersfield College campus to attend the Black Caucus. I am wondering what the logistics would be to make that happen.

### 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

*Items listed in this agenda item have already been read or discussed once and thus are considered for approval of the committee*

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- a. "Help G's Get a College Degree."

**Discussion:** It was discussed that the member spearheading this idea would like to coordinate some sort of funding to organize a trip to a school in order to talk about this initiative. The Committee on Advancement and Senator Graves have been the primary leaders of this idea, and they would like to take effect on it.

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

*Items listed in this agenda item have not already been read or discussed once and thus are considered for approval of the committee*

- a. Review of BC and KCCD policies

**Discussion:** It was addressed by Senator Sanchez that the COBRA states that the Committee on Finance is to review the BC and KCCD policies. But there is currently nothing to review at this time. Senator Sanchez indicated that he would look into finding out the interpretation behind the writing and the importance or goal of it.

- b. No motion was made to approve **ACTION ITEM:** Allocation of funds in the amount deemed necessary by the committee, for the purchase of SGA business cards from uncommitted finance committee funds.

**Discussion:** It was discussed that this allocation was specifically for Senator Graves to order more business cards as he has completely utilized the amount that he has. There was no quote provided for the meeting. Through inquiring Senator Graves about the quote and the details for when it would arrive, there was no clarity provided. Furthermore, Senator Graves indicated that he would rather use the funds to pay for the students to attend the Black Caucus than to buy new business cards.

- c. It was moved by Senator Chavez and seconded by Director Mendoza to approve **ACTION ITEM:** Allocation of funds in the amount of \$100.00 from TB-150 to purchase a new microwave for the Cafeteria.

**Discussion:** It was discussed that the microwave in the cafeteria is currently broken and needs to be replaced. Additionally, the microwave is maintained by BCSGA, and as such should be replaced by BCSGA.

The members voted as follows-

Senator Chavez: Yes

Senator Graves: Yes

Senator Nichelson: Yes

Director Mendoza: Yes

The motion passed by 2/3 vote, with the votes tallied as 4-0-0.

## 9. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS\*

*The Chair shall recognize in turn Officers requesting the floor for a period not to exceed three minutes. The total time for Comments and Announcements before the first reading of legislation shall not exceed fifteen minutes.*

- a. Senator Sanchez: I am looking to see how the committee wants to decide in holding the emergency meeting for the allocation to send the extra students to attend the Black Caucus. We can hold the meeting if need be.
- b. Senator Graves: The students from WECOMM had a plan set in place and in motion in order to cover the paperwork, as well as funding, in order to attend the conference. But somehow, things fell through and there was nothing left in place. I am here trying to remediate that. Also, there are students from BC who said they will and want to attend, but do not have the financial resources to do so. This is why I am asking that the committee hold an emergency meeting in order to help these students go. This is a conference that can benefit them professionally and in more ways than one. Thank you for your time and dedication. I understand that the allocation is a privilege and I feel very strongly about this. This can make a difference in someone's lives. (There was concern raised in that doing this could seem like BCSGA is funding an interest group or urging the motives for a certain population, as opposed to doing so for other populations. Additionally, in that BCSGA is to represent all students or constituents and not solely focused on one area. It would definitely have to be further investigated to see if the budget could accommodate this large expenditure (approximately \$3,000).)
- c. Senator Nichelson: I am in favor of funding the students for the Black Caucus. These types of actions are what our government should do, and I urge all to vote in favor.

## 10. PUBLIC COMMENT\*

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- a. There were no comments made by the public.
- 11. ADJOURNMENT**
- a. Senator Sanchez sought any objections to adjourning the meeting.  
**Discussion:** No further discussion occurred.  
In seeing no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 6:09 p.m.