Bakersfield College Student Government Association

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EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, March 15, 2023

4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Zoom Meeting ID: 96504179517

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I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 4:33 pm.

2. ASCERTAINMENT OF QUORUM

A majority quorum must be established to hold a bona fide meeting

President Barraj - Present

VP Makrai - Present

Director Ball - Present

Manager Griffiths - Present

Director Grewal - Present

Manager Munoz - Present

Director Urias - Present

Director Guzman - Present

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Director Vasquez - Present

9/9 members are present. Quorum established.

3. CORRECTIONS TO THE MINUTES

The Body will discuss and correct minutes from previous meetings.

 The Body will consider the approval of minutes from the meeting held on Wednesday, February 15, 2023.

Director Grewal moved to approve, seconded by Director Guzman.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

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None.

5. REPORTS OF THE ASSOCIATION

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 three minutes, save the advisor, who has infinite time.

a. Vice President

Not much to report. Just working on promoting our info sessions with the rest of the Elections Commission. We've been outside the Office tabling for more exposure. We have two more info sessions, tomorrow at 12 pm and Friday at 9 am, both in the boardroom.

b. BCSGA Advisor's (∞ mins)

Advisor Ayala: Thank you for all that you've done, and all that you will do. I hope having Dr. Damania was helpful and offered a new perspective. We are working on updating brochures and planners. Please come next Wednesday with your We are BC shirts for a photo op. At the end of this month, we do have general assembly. We will be gone from Thursday to Sunday.

Director Grewal: Is it too late to add people?

Advisor Ayala: Yes. We do not have the budget. For the future group, it is important to consider how much you will spend for each travel because we are far above that. But beyond that, the paperwork takes time to process as well.

Director Guzman: Is it possible we can work that into the future budget?

Advisor Ayala: Yes. That is something to consider as well. That is typically worked between the President and the Director of Finance.



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6. REPORTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

The Chair shall recognize the Executive Officers and Departments to report for no longer than three minutes on the activities since the previous meeting

Office of the President

President Barraj: Welcome back Advisor Ayala. I've been helping out with tabling and passing out flyers for info sessions, some students are showing up but most are interested in appointed position. One student is interested in being a Senator this session. I have College Council next week, and EODAC this friday.

b. Department of Student Organizations

ICC this Friday. Garden Fest is April 15th.

Manager Griffiths: Won't be at ICC this Friday because I have Rodeo that morning.

c. Department of Student Activities

Grad fair is next week tuesday and wednesday. Prepping for spring fling. Pi day was a success.

d. Department of Legislative Affairs

Manager Munoz: Accessibility and ADA was rescheduled to this Friday.

e. Department of Finance

Finance meeting this Friday to review Student Health Fee increase. Budget meeting was canceled again, and Curriculum is tomorrow.

f. Department of Public Relations

Tabling for info sessions.

g. Department of Secretary Nothing to report.

7. NEW BUSINESS

Items listed have not already been discussed and thus are considered for Senate consideration.

a. DISCUSSION: PI Day

President Barraj: Heard really good feedback.

Director Ball: It was really fun, the raffle was really popular. Maybe we should do more. The turnout was amazing. Director Guzman was handing out info session papers to everyone, and I talked to a few people.

b. DISCUSSION: BCSGA Elections

President Barraj: Last day to file is Friday at noon. Continuing to spread the word. Trying to fill the board.

Advisor Ayala: How did the emails go?

President Barraj: Professor Holmes responded really quick.

Director Guzman: My professor responded really quick.

Director Grewal: 3 of my professors got back to me and agreed to spread the word.

President Barraj: I've had students pretty interested. I think the only issue is filing punctually, we are all procrastinating.

Advisor Ayala: We are going to send out a mass email tonight for all students that attended info sessions to follow up.

c. DISCUSSION: BCSGA Spring Semester Townhall

President Barraj: We haven't had a Town hall this semester.

Director Guzman: What is a town hall?

Advisor Ayala: People would gather and share concerns, and share what they'd like to see happen. It's an invitation to the student community to see what they wanna see more of or less of. It is also a way for you to communicate what you're doing and what you will do. It promotes transparency and allows you to communicate with your constituents. It is less formal that a board meeting. The fall was more of a meet and greet and what they would like to see, it was fairly successful. Usually a pun, good food, and a fun topic. The year before was often COVID centered, mainly informing about protocols.

President Barraj: I'll be working with Director Grewal, so any ideas please.

Advisor Ayala: It should be focused on passing information to the next session. A good guiding question, to hear from students, staff, and faculty, how do we get school spirit up?

Director Guzman: What about partnering with other Departments? Like we did with Math yesterday for Pi day, what about partnering with Athletics and doing sport mini games? That way we can promote them, and ourselves.

Director Urias: For a suggestion, would it be better if we did it Spring Fling week? For better turnout?

Advisor Ayala: Yes, but that is a heavy week with elections and Student Leadership Awards. So I'm working on doing a Student Success Fair, and that could be another opportunity. There is plenty of days, so it is whatever yall want to do.

President Barraj: We'll discuss this further during Senate.

Director Grewal: What theme do we want?

Advisor Ayala: My suggestion was campus engagement.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair shall recognize in turn BCSGA Officers requesting the floor for a period not to exceed one minute.

Advisor Ayala: I sent you all an invite for the Great American Cleanup. I was going to talk to Senate about creating a new board for community service. ***

> Title IX event happening. Director Griffiths: Where can I get a cap and gown? Advisor Ayala: The easiest is at Grad Fair. President Barraj:

9. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:11 pm