

# BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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## SENATE BODY

Wednesday, September 9, 2015

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Executive Board Room

### 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER\*

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Orozco at 6:05 p.m.

### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE\*

The Senate conducted the pledge of allegiance.

### 3. ROLL CALL\*

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

**The following members were present:** Vice President Orozco, Senator Roel, Senator Zavala, Senator Herndon, Senator Sanchez, Senator Nicholson, Senator Graves, and Senator Galvez

**The following members were absent:** Senator Olague and Senator Partovi

**The following members were excused:** Senator Chavez

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

### 4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

- a. Vice President Orozco sought any objections to adopting the agenda for Wednesday, September 9, 2015.

**Discussion:** There was no further discussion.

As there were no objections to the main motion, the agenda was adopted.

### 5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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

- a. The Senate did not consider the minutes from Wednesday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015 due to unavailability of the minutes.

### 6. 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. Director Lyons: On behalf of Matt Trimble, who has had 25 years of experience as a safety coordinator, he is looking to be referred to the college campus safety committee. (The Senate advised the Director for the student to be directed to (President Fowler as he appoints students to committees.)
- b. President Fowler: I spoke with President Christian about the Battleship idea, where we would have an executive team to compete as well. Additionally, we spoke about the Renegade Promise which is an initiative to make students' time here faster and better. I gave her two points to focus on which was to change the counseling process and to prioritize classes by major. So that students without an educational plan will be encouraged to obtain one, which could be started with the Ed. Code. Another topic we talked about Bakersfield College being an actual site for Ted Talks, but to also host Student Renegade Talks where students interested in giving one attend a "Ted Talk Bootcamp". Todd Coston is primarily in charge of this. We also addressed the Get Bus issue, and she was invited to attend any of our next Senate meetings.

### 7. RECEIPT OF PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE TO THE SENATE AND REFERRAL

*The Senate will receive communications addressed to the Senate and refer each to the appropriate committee. No action will be taken on communications other than referring them to committee.*

- a. The Senate received and acknowledged the resignation letter from Senator Navid Partovi.
- b. There were no BCSGA Committee Changes made.

*The Senate may make changes to committee assignments by resolution.*

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## 8. REPORTS OF BCSGA OFFICERS

*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. Vice President, *Janell Orozco*: Thanks to all who participated in welcome week, and thanks for dedicating your time. Regarding the Football game, I am looking to the Senate for ideas of how to build up the student section.  
***Some ideas that were brought up were the following:***
  - Make a resolution to close off areas that are aren't needed until they are needed (which raised a problem for the season ticket holders and for children who roam around)
  - Do a student tailgating section where BCSGA gives free out free food
  - Decorate the student's section with posters and more
  - Get a student cheer started, where all members learn the cheers created and even have small handouts for students
  - Have a pep rally in the gym with the drumline to announce the game before the weekend.It was also suggested to have BC regalia sold on the home side as the only vendor location is on the visitors' side, or to have it announced over intercom where things are being sold. It was addressed that ICC is working with clubs to get them to do fundraising and vending.
- b. BCSGA Advisor, *Dr. Damania*: Business cards have been ordered, and it should take a short while to arrive. Additionally, I would like to reiterate that as BCSGA officers you are leaders in the campus, in the community, but also outside of the city. As such, your attitudes reflect all around, so please do not abuse any titles as it reflects badly on the association, but please also be observant. As events coming up are slowing down, don't forget about the few we have. Constitution day is coming up. The Student leadership conference is also coming up on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, and registration has now opened. The fee that was decided was \$10.00. Finally, all homecoming material has been updated and is now on the website.

## 9. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES\*

*The Chair shall recognize the chairperson of each standing committee, in alphabetical order, and then each special committee, in alphabetical order, to report for no longer than five minutes on the committee's activities since the previous meeting.*

- a. Report from the Chair of the Committee on Academic Affairs, *Senator Roel*: Members of the committee have been assigned to deans. Soon the senators will be interviewing the deans once they meet. But we are not pushing the members so much right now since there are new deans still being situated.
- b. Report from the Chair of the Committee on Advancement of Bakersfield College, *Senator Graves*: In the process on recruiting members and setting up meetings to be planned with Arsive. The planned meeting times are Tuesdays at 4 p.m.
- c. Report from the Chair of the Committee on Finance, *Senator Sanchez*: The amount was finally decided on how much was to be granted to the EOP&S Holiday Event.
- d. Report from the Chair of the Committee on Government Operations, *Senator Herndon*: no report

## 10. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS\*

*The Chair shall recognize in turn BCSGA Senators 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 Graves: There were several issues with students riding the 81 Get Bus. There were so many riders that the bus actually tilted and the driver had to round corners so slowly so as not to tilt. There was a second bus brought out, but not sure if it is permanent. As such, there is a large influx of students now riding the buses, and there is a large overcrowding issue. I am pushing to get a second bus for the route, but to also extend the hours for GET and Kern Transit. Another issue brought to my attention is that there are fine arts student who said they are required to purchase clay materials for their class. But there are large clay bags in the classrooms that they are not allowed to use or purchase, or even touch. (It was suggested that this issue be referred to the Committee on Academic Affairs.)
- b. Nicky Damania, Ph.D.: This is the last week where we will be sending work emails to your personal BC email. Therefore, all correspondence needs to and will happen only through these accounts. So please check your emails, and also please avoid 'bad' social media posts.
- c. Senator Zavala: BCSGA should hold a retreat at Hume Lake, but to also collaborate with CSUB ASI. It could be done for a weekend where we do team building activities outside.

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- a. Ashanti Brown: Hoping that students can get a discount for riding the Get Bus, or even a discount on the passes.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

- a. It was moved by Senator Roel and seconded by Senator Herndon to adjourn the meeting.

**Discussion:** There was no further discussion.

The motion passed by majority vote of voice vote indicating “Aye”.

Vice President Orozco adjourned the meeting at 7:08 p.m.