

BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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COMMITTEE ON ADVANCEMENT OF BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE

Tuesday, November 10, 2015

4:00 p.m.

OSL Resource Room

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER*

The meeting was called to order by Senator Graves at 4:04 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL*

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

The following members were present: Senator Graves, Senator Galvez, Senator Sanchez, and Advisor Damania

The following members were absent: Senator Chavez

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 Galvez and seconded by Senator Sanchez to adopt agenda for Tuesday, November 10, 2015

Discussion: No further discussion occurred.

The motion passed by majority vote of "aye" through voice vote.

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. It was moved by Senator Sanchez and seconded by Senator Galvez to adopt the minutes for Tuesday October 27th 2015

Discussion: No further discussion occurred.

The motion passed by majority vote of "aye" through voice vote.

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. Amy Pachla: Hello, I am reporter with the Renegade Rip. I am actually covering this meeting because the smoking policy is on the agenda for today. That is what I am looking to get more information and I am here to watch the proceedings. In speaking as a student of Bakersfield College, I am in favor of a compromise to have designated smoking places on campus.

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 Graves Sr.*: I appreciate the comments from Ms. Pachla about the smoking policy. We have an issue with the lights out front. I have spoken with Ms. Andrea from M&O. She will speak to the manager, and then they will get in touch with me by email no later than Monday. They will figure out whether it is something that needs to be done through a contractor, or if it is just the wiring.
- b. *Senator Sanchez*: No report
- c. *Senator Galvez*: I talked to an assistant dean today in regards to Allied Health. An issue that she is concerned about, or something that we can help with, is the advertising about what Bakersfield College offers as services for students. For example, the health center, the tutoring center, the pantry, and more things of that nature. A solution that was proposed was to attend her classes and to give a small presentation about what is available to students, as well as to give out flyers to the students. (It was advised by Senator Graves to contact Equity & Inclusion or Outreach Services). The other solution was to post flyers over by the skills lab. Her concern is specifically for the nursing students.
- d. BCSGA Advisor, *Dr. Damania*: No report.

7. OLD BUSINESS

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

- a. 24 hour study room

Discussion: The committee decided to talk about this item at a later time as Senator Chavez was the spearhead for this pursuit, and he is absent. Furthermore, there has been no new information

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provided by it. (Senator Sanchez commented that he had spoken with Michelle Presso from KCCCD, and she commented that it would not function very well because students do not live on campus. Moreover, there is not as much as a need.)

b. Renegade Promise

Discussion: Senator Graves was under the impression that the Student Services Success Plan was going to be the Renegade Promise. President Fowler elaborated that the Renegade Promise is Bakersfield College's promise to students that if they arrive college ready, then they would graduate within two years. For those who are not, then they would be done as soon as possible as well. Basically, it pushed the Student Education Plans, and more functions. There are some things that will be reviewed with Counseling and other departments to better the resources offered for students' academic plan. It was advised for the committee to sit down to talk with Janet Fulks, and anyone who is involved with this promise. Additionally, for this initiative to be included in the Strategic Plan for BCSGA. There was a concern in how priority registration and unit cap would be involved in the Promise.

c. GET Bus safe transportation policy

Discussion: Senator Graves spoke with the Public Relations & Marketing Manager from GET, Gina Hayden. She informed him that there will be a meeting Monday at 2:30 p.m. in Dr. Damania.

d. Community Hour

Discussion: Senator Graves reviewed whether the Senators on the committee had completed the challenge previously assigned to all members of the committee. As the members has not, the challenge had been reassigned and the deadline was for the next Senate meeting. It was recommended by President Fowler to ask Professor Holmes in giving a speech for the next CommUnity hOur. Senator Graves replied in that he would like to approach Professor Holmes at the end of the semester as he is a person on campus who is always flooded with requests or tasks.

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. Lights in the Campus Center Plaza does not work

Discussion: It was discussed that Senator Graves and Advisor Damania noticed that the lights in the campus center plaza do not work. Previously, these lights were supposed to be motion activated. But now that those are on, lights across are not working. As such, M&O had been contacted. They responded by saying that they would give a response no later than Monday in figuring out whether or not it had to be fixed through a contractor or if it was just lighting.

b. Discounted GET Bus Passes

Discussion: It was reminded that further information would be obtained at the meeting on Monday at 2:30 p.m.

c. Access to Ceramic Clay

Discussion: It was discussed that this previous issue brought up had been resolved. For the \$15 fee that the students pay, they do have access to some clay but should not expect more. The clay is very expensive, and as such are required to obtain it on their own.

d. Tobacco Free Campus

Discussion: Senator Graves spoke with Advisor Damania earlier. The campus did have a poll at one time from BCSGA supporting a Tobacco free campus. Furthermore, a resolution for that poll had been created during the following year's session. But as there is no policy of enforcement, the policy has been left to be suspended. Senator Graves indicated that he would be in charge of looking further into the Resolution created, and to further investigate how to enforce it. President Fowler further provided background in saying that the campus is looking into this at an administrative level. But that if it were to occur where the policy is held to maintain a Tobacco-free campus, the policy would not be strictly enforced for a short time so as to introduce it. This would then be later enforced for all staff, faculty, and students on campus.

e. Student Services Success Plan

Discussion: It was reminded that Senator Graves would speak to Janet Fulks, Steve Watkin, and Equity & Inclusion.

f. Redesigning American's Community Colleges

Discussion: It was discussed that it is a book being suggested all around campus for students to read so as to better understand what Janet Fulk is writing/talking about. The book contains information about things similar to the Renegade Promise, where it is to optimize the efficiency of translating students onto higher education or towards graduation.

- g. Purchase of a Cold Sandwich Vending Machine
Discussion: Different estimates were provided to the committee to consider for the next Committee on Advancement meeting. There were different sizes and types provided. One type was preferred as it was the most efficient cost and production wise. The top three selected would then be relayed to the Committee on Finance for them to decide whether or not to approve an allocation to purchase one. Moreover, the vending machine that could be automatically updated with prices according to the freshness of the food would expedite the process of selling the food. It was suggested to investigate what the process would be should the machine be vandalized. This would only be for the Bakersfield College campus as the Delano campus already has one.
- h. AAMP and its meaning to Bakersfield College
Discussion: Senator Graves stressed that he needed a feedback into opening up that AAMP is not specific to a certain demographic for students. It needs to be known that anyone who wants to assist, volunteer, and more can be a part of it, but that the member status is specific to a certain demographic. The way that the AAI is written AAMP has to address the matriculation and retention of African American students. His hope is that the committee members can help with ideas of getting more people involved to assist in the program's development, but to also take away the negative connotation that it is only for one demographic. It's a pursuit for everyone to get involved to help the group, but we're trying to remove the stigma about it.

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. No further comments or announcements were made.

10. 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. No further comments were made by the public.

11. ADJOURNMENT

- a. It was moved by Senator Sanchez and seconded by Senator Galvez to adjourn the meeting.

Discussion: No further discussion occurred.

The motion passed by majority vote of "aye" through voice vote. Senator Graves adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.