

BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

1801 Panorama Drive, Campus Center, Room 4 | Bakersfield, California 93305

SENATE BODY

Wednesday, August 17th, 2016

6 pm

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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the chair, Vice President Jimenez, at 6:13 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL*

A majority quorum must be established to hold a bonafide meeting

The following members are present: Vice President Jimenez, Senator Cooper, Senator Van Horne, Senator Machado, Senator Salcido, Senator Bernal, and Senator Graves.

The following members were absent: Senator Montero Garcia.

The following members were excused: Senator Rodriguez

3. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

The Senate will consider any amendments to the agenda.

Parliamentarian Serrato: At the top, "17rd," should be changed to, "17th."

4. CORRECTIONS TO THE MINUTES

The Senate will discuss and correct minutes from previous meetings.

- a. The Senate will consider the approval of unapproved minutes from the meeting held on Wednesday, July 3rd.

Due to no objection, the minutes have been passed.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT*

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None.

6. 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. President, Matthew Frazer

Tomorrow is, "Opening Day," and, "New Student Convocation." BCSGA is welcome to attend opening day. It is from 1:00 pm to 5:00 p.m. If you are going to be there, let me know so that I can recognize you in my speech. It is mandatory for officers to be at, "New Student Convocation." Director Lyons is the only person excused so far. If you need to be excused, come and talk to me. If I do not hear from you, I will expect you to be there. It will be from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Make sure you wear your polo shirt, I really appreciate everyone being out there. We also have the participatory governance committees. I have already appointed executive officers to these committees. Senators, please come and talk to me after the meeting.

- b. Vice President, Galo Jimenez

Please check your emails. This next week is going to be a hectic one. We should all exchange phone numbers with one another. I would love to establish internal communication between the SGA. I think it should be one of our highest priorities. That is all.

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- c. BCSGA Advisor, *Dr. Damania*
Next week is the first week of school. Make sure that you are wearing red and white throughout the week. There is going to be a lot of tables out there. If you see a student who appears lost or confused, make sure you approach and ask them if they need assistance. Tell them about student government. Tell them about the meetings. Tell them about the activities. Try and get them to come to events. If you have not scheduled your meetings for the academic semester, please do so. Student organizations are picking their meeting times for the year as well. This weekend is the KCCD SGA Retreat up in Porterville. If you plan to attend, be at the office at 10:00 a.m. We will leave the office at exactly 11:00 a.m. The first day you can dress casually. The second day, wear black slacks and your polo. If you do not have black slacks, wear some type of formal pants. It is a mixer for the different student governments. Tom Burke will be giving a fiscal presentation about the budget. Later on, some representatives of the college will come and talk about the need to restructure

7. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES*

The Chair shall recognize the chairperson of each standing committee and then each special committee 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
I sent out an email to my senators, Rodriguez, and Cooper. Please check your emails. I requested schedule information so I can take that into consideration when I plan our first meeting. That is the end of my report.
- b. Report from the Chair of the Committee on Advancement of Bakersfield College
We had our first meeting two weeks ago. We are working on the agenda from last semester, as well as some new ones. Dr. Damania mentioned getting a sandwich machine, and getting a discount. We are working on getting a recreational room. We have thought of book buddies, which is where we go out and read with children.
- c. Report from the Chair of the Committee on Government Operations
None.

8. APPOINTMENTS OF BCSGA OFFICERS

The Senate will consider the following nominations for an Association office. When the Senate has concluded its deliberations, the Senate may approve the nomination, reject the nomination, or take no action upon the nomination. The Senate will consider the names nominated to the Association office. The Senate may consider the character, professional competence, physical or mental health, or other matters permissible under BROWNACT during consideration of this item. Under BROWNACT, the meeting may not be closed.

- a. Pablo Cervantes for the position of BCSGA Student Organization Funding Manager

Discussion:

Director Garcia: He was referred to me through Maria Wright and Manager Webb. During the interview I found that he had excellent communication skills. During my interview with him, I analyzed his resume' as well as his potential to work with others in the office. I did that with all of my candidates. He impressed me and others in the different situations that we laid out for him. He has confidence in his skills of dealing with finances. He does exude a lot of good character and adaptability.

Senator Machado: He sat in at the first meeting that I attended. He was one of the first people that I talked to. I was impressed with the way he talked to me. He made me feel very comfortable. That was just my personal experience with him.

In there being no further discussion, roll call vote was taken.

Roll Call Vote:

Senator Cooper: Aye
Senator Van Horne: Aye
Senator Machado: Aye
Senator Bernal: Aye

Aye: 4 Nay: 0

The, "Aye," has the majority. The motion passes.

b. Aracely Pulido for the position of BCSGA Justice

Discussion:

President Frazer: The justices do not interact with the SGA. They work directly with the parliamentarian. They are involved with SGA, but not in an in depth way. This is to avoid the creation of any bias in the Justice position.

In there being no further discussion, roll call vote was taken.

Roll Call Vote:

Senator Cooper: Aye
Senator Van Horne: Aye
Senator Machado: Aye
Senator Bernal: Aye

Aye: 4 Nay: 0

The, "Aye," has the majority. The motion passes.

c. Matt Stahl for the position of BCSGA Justice

Discussion:

President Frazer : When I was running for President, I went to the Veterans Lounge. Matyas was one of the people I spoke to. He grilled me more than anyone else. He asked me questions that I did not know the answer to. He is very thorough in everything he does. I would like for people in the SGA to have diverse backgrounds. I think it would be great to have his background on the Board of Justices.

Senator Machado: He absolutely seems like someone who can keep emotional influence separate from his decisions.

In there being no further discussion, roll call vote was taken.

Roll Call Vote:

Senator Cooper: Aye
Senator Van Horne: Aye
Senator Machado: Aye
Senator Bernal: Aye

Aye: 4 Nay: 0

The, "Aye," has the majority. The motion passes.

The oath was administered followed to all elected individuals.

9. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Senate of the Association may elect association officers at this time.

- a. Victoria Lennon for the position of BCSGA Senator-at-Large

10. APPOINTMENT OF SENATORS TO COMMITTEES AND DEPARTMENTS

Senate will recommend members to each of the Senate Standing Committee and the BCSGA Departments. Then, Senate will consider a binding resolution to appoint Senators as members to each Senate Standing Committees or BCSGA Departments established by the BCSGA COBRA. The Senate may consider the character, professional competence, physical or mental health, or other matters permissible under the California Brown Act, of certain individuals during consideration of this item. Under the Brown Act, the Senate may not close the meeting.

- a. BCSGA Department on Finance
- b. BCSGA Department on Legislative Affairs
Senator Machado moved to add himself to the Department of Legislative Affairs. This was second by Senator Van Horne.
- c. BCSGA Department on Student Activities
- d. BCSGA Department on Student Organizations
- e. Senate Committee on Academic Affairs
Senator Machado moved to add himself to the Committee on Academic Affairs. This was second by Senator Van Horne.
- f. Senate Committee on Advancement
- g. Senate Committee on Government Operations

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President Frazer: Check and respond to phone calls, emails, and text messages regularly. It makes it difficult for everyone to do their job when there is a lack of communication. There have been multiple accounts of emails being sent out by myself and others and no response received. Please acknowledge that you are receiving this information. Unexcused absences are not okay. We have had members who have not been to their meeting multiple times. If you cannot make the meeting, talk to the chair of your committee or department directly. If you volunteer for an event, please attend.

Vice President Jimenez: For those who got elected, please see Dr. Damania about setting up your emails. It is very important that this is done as soon as possible.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.