

# BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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## BCSGA ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Thursday, Sept 8, 2016

4:00 p.m.

BCSGA Boardroom

### 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the chair, Director Garcia, at 4:10 p.m.

### 2. ROLL CALL\*

*A majority quorum must be established to hold a bonafide meeting*

The following members were present: Director Garcia, Senator Bernal, Senator Salcido, Senator Cortez, and Manager Juarez

The following members were absent: None.

The following members were excused: Senator Van Horne

5/6 members were present, quorum has been established, and a bonafide meeting can be held.

### 3. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

*The Senate will consider any amendments to the agenda.*

*Senator Salcido:* Under item 6.c., the name, "Salcedo" should be, "Salcido". Under Item 4.a. the date is mistyped, It should be changed from, "8/25.16" to, "8/25/16".

### 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 8/25/16.

*Director Garcia:* There are no minutes this week, we will postpone the approval of the minutes for next meeting.

### 5. PUBLIC COMMENT\*

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*Senator Bernal:* I want to go over what is going on in October. October is breast cancer awareness month. I was wondering if we could plan a fundraiser to help the cause. We could have experts on breast cancer come to the college and talk to students about what breast cancer is and how to check for it. I also have Giovanni here from VOTA

*Adrian:* Hello my name is Adrian. I am from the Civic and Family Coalition. It is a sister organization to UFW. We have been coming to campus and helping students register to vote. We are looking for suggestions on how to



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spread the importance of voting, as well as spreading information about Measure J to prepare students to vote on it during the November ballot.

*Senator Salcido:* In response to Senator Bernal, if we could find out which non-profit we would like to donate to, we may be able to request flyers that we can hand out to people who come by, or make a donation. It would be a great way to spread awareness if we were able to get help from an organization.

## 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, *Erik Garcia-Gregorio*  
Thank you all for all your help that you did at Welcome Week. I appreciate all of the work that was put towards that event.
- b. Manager, *Juarez*  
The only thing I have to report on right now is the cheerleader CCA grant proposal. It is still under process. It has progressed to the point of where I they have some of the required documentation to move forward with it. They have had issues with submitting the form by themselves. I want to take it upon myself to aid them in submitting the form, that way it can be processed as soon as possible.
- c. Senator, *Salcido*  
Regarding the room issue that we had earlier, I got a flyer with information for Mary Joe. She handles the room scheduling on campus. If we have an issue with a location, we can always call the number listed on the flyer. We would be able to know what is going on, and see if we actually booked the room. So if we had scheduling issues in the future, we know who we can call on. Besides that, I will start planning the table events for the upcoming weeks. We have candy and water bottles that are of use.
- d. Senator, *Bernal*  
No report.
- e. Senator, *Van Horne*  
No report.
- f. BCSGA Advisor, *Mrs. Wright*  
No report.

## 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

*Items listed have already been discussed once and thus are considered for approval by the Senate*

- a. There are no items to be considered under old business at this time.

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

*Items listed have not already been discussed once and thus are considered for approval by the Senate.*

### a. Discussion of Welcome Weeks

to improve

#### i. Discussion of outcome including what went well and what needs

##### Discussion:

*Senator Bernal:* One of my concerns, for some of the senators or staff who had to be at a certain table, or were scheduled to be there, were not there. If you are signed up for it, then it should be expected that you are there unless noted otherwise.

*Director Garcia:* I agree. We have experienced issues such as the one mentioned at Senate meetings where there is a struggle to meet quorum. We do not want to stress out those who lead the meetings more than they have to be.

*Manager Juarez:* I think that the volunteer issues experienced at events concerning our officers has a lot to do with our volunteer sign up system. Initially, we started with a volunteer sign-up sheet. Recognizing that this particular method may lead to a lot of paperwork, we switched to using an online sign-up method instead. Some of the dates and times on the online sign-up were incorrect. Things kept changing the week prior to welcome week which just led to a lot of miscommunication. An incentive to volunteer is something that we could utilize. Volunteer so many hours, and you could get a free shirt. Something like that. That might also include a, "101," on how to talk to students appropriately when you are at a booth. Body language. How to approach students. Minute things that can make a difference at a booth like that.

### b. Discussion and sign up for football game volunteer and Les Schwab Tire competition

#### i. Discussion of volunteers for Football game activities and the Les Schwab Tire competition

##### Discussion:

*Director Garcia:* The event will be happening this Saturday. We will need help from 3:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Is there anyone here who will be able to help?

*Senator Bernal:* I cannot. I work on that day. Unless I can get someone to cover my shift, it is unlikely that I will be able to attend.

*Senator Salcido:* I can be present for the entire duration. I suggest that you send out an email about the need for volunteers,

*Manager Juarez* : For those who will be volunteering, do we have a way into the football game? Do we just show up, or do we need a pass?

*Ms. Wright* : Vouchers will be issued to volunteers so that they can get into the football game.

c. Discussion on our Daily Table Events

- i. Discussion of the Daily Table Events Activities Committee will host. Activities Committee will discuss availability, location, and pricing on candy

Discussion:

*Director Garcia* : I am thinking every single day, Monday through Thursday, for one hour. An hour seems like a good amount of time to start off with.

*Senator Bernal*: I think that is good. We can have a signup sheet to see who is available to help out.

*Director Garcia* : An hour a day. I am thinking having a table out from 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Does that work for everyone?

*Senator Salcido* : Tuesdays and Thursdays, I have class at 1:00 p.m. I would need someone to help me unload on the Tuesdays and Thursdays. I am completely open on Mondays and Wednesdays from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

*Senator Bernal* : Mondays and Wednesdays I can do 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. I cannot do Tuesdays.

*Senator Cortez*: I can do Mondays and Wednesdays, but I do have class at 1:00 p.m. at the Weill institute. I talked to my ASL instructor, and she said that she could let me out thirty minutes early if I had something to attend to. I wouldn't mind coming 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

*Director Garcia* : Are you sure? I would prefer that you would be in class instead.

*Senator Salcido* : This is a volunteer opportunity, but your classes should come first.

*Director Garcia* : Manager Juarez, are you available for our tabling events that run from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. , Mondays through Thursdays?

*Manager Juarez*: from 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m., I cannot. I have a course from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and we have our meetings from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. So that is basically the majority of the day already. The most that I can do from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. is setup.

*Director Garcia* : Let's do Mondays and Wednesdays for now. We will keep the other days vacant. As we go on and gain more experience with this, we will start opening other days.

**d. Discussion on our Monthly Activities for September**

- i. Discussion of BCSGA Activities Department First Monthly event. The theme for this month is Deaf Culture Awareness.**

**9. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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*Manager Juarez* : I want to thank the extras that are at this meeting. We have two representatives here who are also tied to other programs. These meetings are expanding, and we are reaching out to other students. That is what student government is meant for. That made me really happy, especially to have you here.

*Senator Cortez* : Do we have self-defense classes on campus?

*Manager Juarez* : Currently, there are not. I do recall an organization, not too long ago, that wanted to get a self-defense instructor to hold a workshop. That would be phenomenal. It did not fall through, but that is a great activity.

*Senator Cortez* : There have been people, specifically women, who have been attacked around Bakersfield at night time. I do come from a fight background. I know a lot of the teams and gyms here. I have talked to several of them before, and have mentioned to them that they should contact the college and host a self-defense event. This could be a great activity to hold here on campus. We could even tie the KVC sticker into it.

*Senator Salcido* : That sounds like a fantastic idea. I would like to have it more than once. A semester long partnership would be a lot more beneficial. Events here on campus tend to have low turnouts at the beginning, but as they progress the turnout gets larger. For something like this, you would let Director Garcia know to add your idea on the next agenda. That is usually done when you have confirmed that the people you are interested in getting involved with can make it to the meeting. Up until that point, if you have an update, you would be able to tell us it when you are asked for a report under, "individual reports."

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

In there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

