ACADEMIC SENATE of BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE
February 19, 2014, 3:30 P.M.
Collins Conference Center

PRESENT: Andrea Thorson; Anna Poetker; Bill Kelly; Brent Damron (proxy for R. Bolton); Bryan Hirayama (EB); Charles Kim (EB); David Neville; Gayla Anderson; Ishmael Kimbrough; Janet Tarjan; Jeannie Parent; John Giertz; Joyce Kirst; Julie Lowe; Kathy Freeman; Klint Rigby; Kris Stallworth; Lisa Harding; Maria Perrone; Mark Staller (EB); Marsha Eggman; Michael Korcok (EB); Nancy Guidry; Nick Strobel (EB); Ron Grays; Valerie Robinson; Wesley Sims (EB);

ABSENT: Alex Henderson; Billie Jo Rice (EB); Christian Zoeller; Corny Rodriguez (EB); Jennifer Jett; John Carpenter (EB); Kate Pluta (EB); Patrick Fulks; Robert Martinez; Terry Meier.

CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 3:37 p.m.

REVIEW OF THE MINUTES
There were no minutes to review at this time.

**Senate President, Cornelio Rodriguez appointed Mark Staller, ASCCC Representative, as Timekeeper for the Academic Senate meetings this year.

REPORTS
President (Korcok)
Michael Korcok is reporting for Corny Rodriguez.

- Michael encouraged the senators to see the movie “First Generation.” It is worth the time to view. It shows student as they are finishing their high school experience and then on to their college experiences.
- There is discussion on Baccalaureate Degrees at Bakersfield College. Information can be found on the Presidents Blog. BC has sent a letter of request for consideration as a Baccalaureate pilot site to the State Chancellor’s Office to offer a bachelor’s program for CTEs, Culinary Arts/Hospitality Arts Bachelor’s Degree, and Automotive Technology. Michael expressed concern regarding accreditations and found after talking with Barbara Beno with the ACCJC that there were no issues. Michael also stated that after reading the recommendations from the state chancellor’s study board, bachelor’s degrees will most likely be for CTEs, nursing, and other programs. We may want to take a “sense of the senate” to raise our concerns to the president.
- Regarding the Wellness Graduation Requirement, the district dropped the requirement without our approval or the approval of BC. The Board of Trustees should act on our behalf. At our last Executive Board meeting, Corny stated before that it was a clerical error and it should be corrected. Corny was to meet with John Means regarding the issue. There is an agenda item pertaining to this requirement. Reggie Bolton stated that this was not a clerical error because it was removed because it did not fit into the transfer model. There is a resolution later in this meeting as New Business to clarify and/or take action on this subject.
- Regarding Article 3 recommendations to the Fiscal policy, the district went to the BOT to increase the minimum reserve limit to 17%. Currently there is nothing on the agenda to make this change as the first reading for this change was cancelled.
- The Instructional Materials Committee (IMC) was approved nine months age. Corny appointed the provisional co-chair as Michael Korcok. Four faculty members are needed to serve on the committee.
A motion was made to suspend the meeting for Brian Griffin to address the Senate regarding the Bookstore. 
M/S/C: Sims/Kirst

OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE ACADEMIC SENATE
Brian Griffin from the bookstore presented the “Spring Bookstore Update.”

Brian distributed the Campus bookstore folders to the senators. It has contact information for Angela Hernandez, Textbook Manager whom the faculty orders their books from. He also spoke about forms for course pack ordering. There was discussion on copyrights on course packs, book ordering, and class-pack ordering. Pricing was also part of the discussion. The typical markup is between 25-30% from the publisher’s price.

Fiscal Update:
74,369 Textbook Units Sold, up 6.2% compared to last year
13,232 Textbook Units Rented, up 21% from last year
419 Digital Units Sold, up from 303 sold last year
Website Sales were approximately $629,000, up 25% from last year
Website Customers were approximately 7,473, up from 5,826 from last year
Overall Bookstore Sales were up approximately $350,000 or 9% from last year.
All three colleges sold almost $1 Million in website sales.

There is dynamic rental pricing and flex pricing to provide additional saving options to students, such as 26-50% off regular priced books and 35-80% off new rental titles. There is a listing of rentable titles while some items are not rentable. There are some books that are less expensive to buy rather than renting.

Bookstore Innovation Group (BIG)
There are three faculty members that volunteered to be a part of the Bookstore Innovation group. It also has three students. A meeting in March and April is scheduled. The faculty representative is to provide feedback from the Bookstore Innovation Group back to the faculty.

Accreditation Steering Committee (Pluta)
There is no ACS report.

Assessment Committee (Carpenter)
There is no report for the Assessment Committee.

Budget Committee Update
There is no update for the Budget Committee.

Curriculum Committee (Rice/Carpenter)
Billie Jo Rice reported that the committee is moving forward with the 16 ADTs with only 6 needing approval now. The goal is to have the remaining 6 completed in April with the deadline of June 1st. They are also working on the “SEP” Plans. Some of the oldest curriculum dated back to 1992.

Enrollment Management Committee (Korcok)
Michael Korcok reported that he met with Nan Gomez-Heitzeberg, Executive Vice-President of Academic Affairs, and planned out the remaining meeting schedule to work on the Enrollment Management Plan.

EODAC (Hirayama)
There is no report for EODAC.

ISIT
There is no report for ISIT.

Program Review Committee (Pluta)
There is no PRC report.
Skills Prerequisites Task Force, Formerly SDCC (Giertz)
There is no report for Skills Prerequisites Task Force (formerly SDCC).

Correspondence (Sims)
Wesley Sims sent a Get Well card to Brent Damron. As there were no objections, a letter of solidarity will be sent to the University of Illinois.

Treasurer’s Report
Charles Kim reported the following balances:
$2,546.16 Academic Senate Account
No amount was given for the Academic Senate Scholarship Account.

ASCCC (Staller)
There is no ASCCC report.

CCA Update (Guidry)
Nancy Guidry reported that the CCA will be having their election for next year. There is one open position and the nominations will close March 16th. The candidate will be announced March 20th. Another announcement was that Kathy Freeman sent out an email noting that CalSTRS was conducting an audit that may affect some of the members’ retirement accounts. Members are encouraged to make an appointment at the downtown location to review their retirement accounts.

SGA Report
There was no report for the SGA.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA (must be added with a 2/3 vote of members present)
There were no additions to the agenda.

FACULTY APPOINTMENTS
There was discussion on the Screening Committee for FT Counselor regarding the appointment of Bill La. Kathy Freeman mentioned that if would not be fair to him to have him serve in this capacity since he is new faculty, therefore his name will be removed. A motion was made to approve the faculty appointments listed below as amended: M/S/C: Kelly/Freeman

Screening Committee, EOP&S/CARE/CalWORKS Counselor: Sandy Sierra (DST) (Delano Campus)
Screening Committee, FT Counselor Positions: Kathy Rosellini (Counseling), Michael Ivey (BMIT)
Screening Committee, Dean of Instruction: Regina Hukill (Math), Kenward Vaughan (Physical Science)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
Proposal to Clarify Attendance Policy in the BC Catalog
Nick Strobel reviewed the proposal with the current additions. He also clarified some of the language. There was discussion and a motion to approve the “Proposal to Clarify Attendance Policy in the BC Catalog.” M/S/C: Staller/Kelly
There were 25 votes YES, 3 votes NO, with NO abstentions. The motion passes.

Department Chair Election Status
There were no updates. The item was discussed briefly. There are unresolved questions regarding the language. Klint Rigby stated the Administration has the right of assignment. Wesley Sims called for a task force for language updates. This item was tabled. M/S/C: Kirst/Harding

Update on Senate Goals
There was a motion that this item be tabled since Kate Pluta was not present for the meeting. M/S/C: Freeman/Kelly
Fiscal Policy – KCCD Recommendations
There was discussion, comments, and a number of concerns raised about the percentage amount of reserve funds recommended by the board of trustees. Klint Rigby stated that the 17% is a prudent amount to hold in reserves. Joyce Kirst stated that this is an issue of policy versus a practice. Mark Staller is concerned as there was much that was rewritten by the board. John Giertz asked if the district can set the amount for the college. It was noted that the Board of Governors can set the amount. Charles Kim has a contact in Sacramento; the question was how high can the board set the reserve fund for? He is waiting for an answer regarding the reserve amount. Nancy Guidry suggested someone come to address the senate regarding the amount of reserves. Michael Korcok stated that Corny should take this issue before the District Consultation Council that is scheduled for February 25th. He suggested that the Academic Senate concerns be expressed through Corny and the information brought back to the Academic Senate.

NEW BUSINESS
Resolution – Wellness Language (Graduation Requirement)/Board Policy
Nick Strobel is in the process of drafting a resolution to correct the Wellness Language for the graduation requirement in the Board Policy. Michael Korcok suggested the senate wait to see, with clarification from Corny, if the “clerical error” is corrected. Reggie Bolton brought up the fact that the TMC (Transfer Model Curriculum) did not have the wellness requirement. The district removed the wellness requirement because it was not in the TMC. Corny and Nan Gomez-Heitzeberg are saying that the district does not get to remove the wellness requirement for graduation. Michael suggested that the Academic Senate draft a resolution with rationale to have the wellness language reinserted back into the Board Policy. Mark Staller volunteered to write the resolution with Reggie Bolton’s help to be presented at next week’s Executive Board meeting.

GOOD AND WELFARE
Dianna Kelly retired (under disability terms). There will be a party next Friday February 28th in Loma Linda. Wesley Sims will send a card to her.

ADJOURNMENT at 4:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Margaret Head