

As I was reading through my e-mail and sending most of them to the junk folder, I stumbled with this oddly interesting BCSGA email. At first I did not pay much attention to it as I finished reading it, but slowly the idea of being able to make a change in the environment I study in started to ingrain in my mind and multiply. After my Oral interpretation class, the idea took control of myself and out of a bit of curiosity I went to the BCSGA office to ask for more information. I ended up here, writing a Letter of Intent. My interests for becoming a BCSGA Vice-President although limited, they are all very powerful and convincing. I'll be blunt, I don't like the campus, and I don't mean the physical campus but the campus as a whole, there is something odd about it. And I want to change it, because as I walk down the same road day in and day out I see countless faces with this indifferent look that so poorly matches the happy faces of photos uploaded in the BC website. I want the campus to be a safe haven where people can feel happy and at ease. This being a tad more selfish reason, but nonetheless equally strong to fuel my ambition, I don't have many friends, and not because I'm antisocial or have a bad hygiene but I'm quite different, living for 16 years on a south American country makes you, to say the least, pretty different to the rest of students. Being an international student with no friends getting to Bakersfield it has been hard to make valuable acquaintances, and I am sure the BCSGA will have a number of valuable people to fill my sentimental repertoire.

Naturally having been part of the debate team back at my Peruvian high school my public speaking abilities are somewhat above average, not to mention I was also part of the MUN corps, which was a handful of skilled students in charge of organizing national and international MUN conferences. Both my organizational and social skills are on par with many, if not all the BCSGA members. Being a COMM mayor gives me a clear edge over many other students when it comes to human interaction, being one-on-one, in a small group or even the delivery of a speech to a large group of people.

The word government means "the governing body of a nation, state, or community". Students in college represent the bulk of the college community, and naturally law and order has to be established in order for a community to work. But all of that is given by the College directive, not by the student government. The student government serves as a link between the students and the College directive, a way in which the needs and want of the students can reach the ears of those in charge, in an orderly and proper fashion. The student government is the voice of the students, who say what they want and need and the College directive gives as they see fit, it works like a market, the buyers will buy what they need and want, and the sellers will make what buyers want. If the college directive would not be able to know that students need and want, the college would, and probably would collapse, just like a market were information is imperfect.

I will bring a pair of eyes no one else has in the BC Renegade Community. Eyes that have been so used to a near perfect organizational reality, but so used to toxic attitudes. Back in Peru my high school worked like a clock, everything fell into place the moment it had to, something until this day I hold very dear to me because it has given me a sense of composition like no other. Nonetheless, students there were most of the time ill-mannered and impolite, something that has also aided in my growth as a person. I feel like the college could undergo some structural changes, something I have a lot of experience with. While I feel student's attitude is not something that has to be worked upon as much I still feel very strongly about that particular area.