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Letter of Intent

Why are you interested in running for BCSGA

Bakersfield College has been the most critical part of my transition to adulthood. The school has given me opportunities not only to pursue my interests in life but fostered a culture for human development at an emotional level. Thanks to Bakersfield College I have met life long friends and now, thanks to the new Baccalaureate degree, BC has given me a lifelong career. I am forever linked with BC and my success is linked as well to this school. I want to have a voice and offer input to the direction of BC policy, especially student policy, because I feel that my personal experience can give me key insight.

What skills do you have to be successful in this position?

A representative of any organization should be acutely measured by the degree to which he can identify with those he represents. I have never been a person to avoid tough conversations or ask the important questions. I can not rely on my personal school experience alone to guide my decisions but I must consider the desires of the other students as well. I have a natural leadership that can stimulate a conversation about critical issues. I believe I can be the “eyes and ears” for BCSGA and with this insight provide better and more accurate student representation on key voting issues.

Why does Bakersfield College have a student government?

A school is not only judged upon the level of excellence of the curriculum but to what degree they can uphold student values and obey the voice of the students for truly it is their voice that we serve. Bakersfield College has a motto and that is “We are BC”. This motto conveys the entire power

structure for our SGA. We will lead those students from within as we are just like them.

What will you bring to the BC Renegade Community

Bakersfield College Has been around for 113 years yet I believe we are at the beginning of the greatest era in our history. The level of excellence of faculty and the programs that we now offer are far beyond what a student could get at any other Community College. I play a key part to this growth as I am in the first cohort for BC's brand new Baccalaureate degree. This degree will revolutionize education as communities realize that a junior college can be a destination and not just a rest stop. I plan on being the example to the community and indeed, to the nation, of what a junior college can do. Bakersfield College will give me a career and I will give Bakersfield College the pride, honor, and distinction that it has earned.

I hope these answers have accurately reflected the reason i want to be an SGA student senator.

Sincerely,

Richard Van Horne