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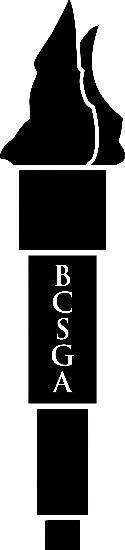
**Friday, May 6, 2022**

**at**

**9:00 A.M.**

**BCSGA Boardroom, Campus Center**

**Bakersfield College**



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# Script for BCSGA Transition Ceremony for the 98th BCSGA Session

## CONVENING OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH SESSION OF BCSGA

*The Secretary shall keep order of BCSGA pending the administering the Oath of the Office of the Vice President. The BCSGA Secretary shall call the Senate to order pursuant to COBRA 211.02(a), and preserve order and decorum.*

| SECRETARY | *[Firmly RAP GAVEL once.]*  This being the day fixed from the Constitution of the Bakersfield College Student Government Association, pursuant to Article 9, Section 1 and the Codes of the Bakersfield Renegade Association (COBRA) 211.02(a), the BCSGA Senate will come to order on Friday, May 6th, 2022, at 9 a.m. in the BCSGA Center at Bakersfield College.  I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, the BCSGA Executive Secretary shall keep order of the agenda pending the official swearing of the Oath for the Office of the Vice President-elect. |
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## ASCERTAINMENT OF QUORUM

*The Secretary will call the Roll of the BCSGA Officers-elect to ascertain the presence of a quorum. Only the names of those persons whose credentials show they were regularly elected will be called. The quorum of the Senate is two-thirds of the Senators-elect.*

| SECRETARY | Senators-elect, this is the day fixed from the BCSGA Constitution for the convening meeting of the 98th BCSGA Session and as the law directs, I, the BCSGA Secretary, have prepared the official roll of the Senators-elect.  I have received certification of the 2022 BCSGA Spring General Election covering the elected seats and the names of those persons whose credentials show that they were elected as BCSGA Officers in accordance with the laws of the Association will be called.  The Senators-elect will respond to their names during the roll call as I call the roll alphabetically by last name. When your name is called, please respond by saying “Present”. |
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| **98th Senate Session Roll Call** | |
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| Vice President-elect: Brenda Abad |  |
| Senator-elect: Maram Makrai |  |

| SECRETARY  *Quorum call* | The quorum call discloses that \_\_ of 2 officers have responded to their name. A quorum is present and a meeting may commence.  *~~[Or…] The quorum call discloses that ## Senators-elect have responded to their name. A quorum is not present. The Secretary will notify absent members.]~~* |
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## PUBLIC COMMENT

*This segment of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the Senate on any matter of concern that is not stated on the agenda. A time limit of three (3) minutes per speaker and fifteen (15) minutes per topic shall be observed. The law does not permit any action to be taken, nor extended discussion of any items not on the agenda. The Senate may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed, however, for further information, please contact the BCSGA Vice President for the item of discussion to be placed on a future agenda. (Brown Act §54954.3)*

| SECRETARY | We will now move into agenda item 3. Public Comment. |
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| *Guests in Gallery* | BCSGA would like to welcome all persons in the gallery to this year’s Transition Ceremony. We are happy that you are able to join us in this traditional event. |
| *Reminding Guests in Gallery to Maintain Order* | Also, I would like to remind you that you are guests of the Senate and any manifestation of approval or disapproval of the proceedings or other audible conversation is in violation of BCSGA Decorum. Continued willful disruption of the proceedings may result in removal from the room. |
| *Letter of Resignation* | [*If a Senator-elect is NOT present and has withdrawn with a letter of resignation]*  *~~The Secretary is in receipt of a letter of resignation from the Honorable ( ), a Senator-elect at large, announcing his intention to decline to take his seat in the 94th Senate. Without objection, the letter will be included in the minutes.~~*  *[Read letter into the minutes]* |
| *Public Comment* | Are there any Public Comments at this time?  [*Wait for Public Comments*] |
| *Continuation* | Seeing no more Public Comments, we shall continue with the agenda. |

## TRANSITION CEREMONY

*The Senate will pause for the Inaugural Ceremonies of the BCSGA President-elect and Vice President-elect. The BCSGA Officer-elect will be formally sitting in the gallery during the Inaugural Ceremonies.*

| SECRETARY | Now we will continue onto the BCSGA 2022 Transition Ceremony for the Offices of the Association. |
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### Keynote Presentation from the Administration of Bakersfield College

| SECRETARY | First, I would like to call upon Dr. Dadabhoy Bakersfield College President, to share some words of wisdom to our past and present Officers. |
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| Speaker | *[The Administration will give the address]* |

| SECRETARY | Thank you Dr. Dadabhoy, we appreciate you sharing your words of wisdom with us.  Now, I would like to call upon Dr. Mourtzanos, Bakersfield College Vice President, to share some words of wisdom to our past and present Officers. |
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| Speaker | *[The Administration will give the address]* |

### Administering the Oath of Office to the KCCD Student Trustee, Mr. Daniel Escobar

| SECRETARY | Now we will swear-in the 2022-2023 KCCD Student Trustee, President-elect, and Vice President-elect.  I would like to ask Dr. Mourtzanos to assist in administering the oaths. Additionally, Dr. Dadabhoy and the new BCSGA Officers will sign the oath of office after being sworn in.  First, Dr. Mourtzanos will administer the Oath of Office to the KCCD Student Trustee Mr. Daniel Escobar, please come forward. |
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| Speaker | Please raise your right hand, and repeat after me…  “I, *{State your Name}* name, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the Bakersfield CollegeStudent Government Association; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office into which I am about to enter.”  *[Copies of the Oath of Office will be signed by BC President and KCCD Student Trustee]* |
| SECRETARY | Members of the gallery, I would like to present to you the 2022-2023 KCCD Student Trustee, Mr. Daniel Escobar.  Congratulations Student Trustee Escobar. Please be seated. |

### Administering the Oath of Office to the President-elect, Ms. Shehrazad Barraj

| SECRETARY | Next, Dr. Dadabhoy will administer the Oath of Office to the President Ms. Shehrazad Barraj, please come forward. |
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| Speaker | Please raise your right hand, and repeat after me…  “I, *{State your Name}* name, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the Bakersfield CollegeStudent Government Association; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office into which I am about to enter.”  *[Copies of the Oath of Office will be signed by BC President and BCSGA President-elect]* |
| SECRETARY | Members of the galley, I would like to present to you the 2022-2023 BCSGA President, Ms. Shehrazad Barraj  Congratulations President Barraj. Please be seated. |

### Administering the Oath of Office to the Vice President-elect, Ms. Brenda Abad

| SECRETARY | | Now President Dadabhoy will administer the Oath of Office to the Vice President. Ms. Brenda Abad, please come forward. |
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| Speaker | | Please raise your right hand, and repeat after me…    “I, *{State your Name}* name, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the Bakersfield CollegeStudent Government Association; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office into which I am about to enter.”  *[Copies of the Oath of Office will be signed by BC President and BCSGA Vice President-elect]* |
| SECRETARY | | Ladies and Gentlemen of the galley, I would like to present to you the 2022-2023 BCSGA Vice President, Ms. Brenda Abad.  Congratulations Vice President Abad. Please be seated. |

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### Administering the Oath of Office to the Director of Student Organization-elect, Ms. Sonoma Ball

| SECRETARY | | Now President Dadabhoy will administer the Oath of Office to the Director of Student Organizations. Ms.Sonoma Ball, please come forward. |
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| Speaker | | Please raise your right hand, and repeat after me…    “I, *{State your Name}* name, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the Bakersfield CollegeStudent Government Association; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office into which I am about to enter.”  *[Copies of the Oath of Office will be signed by BC President and BCSGA Vice President-elect]* |
| SECRETARY | | Ladies and Gentlemen of the galley, I would like to present to you the 2022-2023 Director of Student Organizations, Ms. Sonoma Ball.  Congratulations Director Ball. Please be seated. |

| SECRETARY | Dr. Dadabhoy and Dr. Mourtzanos, thank you for administering the oath of office to our newly elected executive officers. BCSGA would like to thank you for your time, support, and dedication to the Association. Members of the gallery, please join me in a round of applause for our esteemed BC President and Vice President.  *(applause)*  At this time, I will pass the gavel over to our new BCSGA Vice President, Vice President Abad. | |
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### Vice Presidential Inaugural Address, Vice President Abad

| Vice President | Thank you, Executive Secretary Lanza, for your service and dedication to the Association. | |
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|  | | *[Gives inaugural speech]* |

### Presidential Inaugural Address, President Barraj

| Vice President | Now, I would like to call forth President Barraj to come to the podium so she may present her inaugural speech to the Association. |
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| President | Thank you, Vice President Abad. I hear a lot of common threads between our visions for our association. |
|  | *[Gives inaugural speech]* |

## ADMINISTERING THE OATH OF OFFICE TO THE SENATORS-ELECT

*The Vice President shall call each Senator-elect from the gallery and then will administer the oath of office to the Senators-elect.*

* 1. Administering the Oath of Office to the Senators-at-Large, Senators-elect Maram Makrai.

| Vice President | Thank you, President Barraj. Your Words are aspiring and I look forward to working with you this coming year.  At this time, I would like to call forth our 2022-2023 BCSGA Senators-elect. I will call each Senator-elect up one at a time. Senators-elect, please make your way to President Barraj who will welcome you to the Association and remain standing off to the side to be sworn in altogether. |
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| **98th Senate Session Roll Call** | |
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| Senator-elect: Maram Makrai |  |

| Vice President | Senators-elect please raise your right hand, and repeat after me…    “I, *{State your Name}* name, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the Bakersfield College Student Government Association; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office into which I am about to enter.” |
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|  | Members of the galley, it is my pleasure to confirm and welcome the Senators of the 98th BCSGA Senate.  Congratulations Senators, you are now official Officers of the Association. It will be my honor to work with each of you this coming year. Please be seated back in the gallery.  Senators you have been given a folder with two copies of the oath of office. Please sign both documents and the BC Volunteer form and service agreements, and give it to Secretary Lanza when completed. |

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF VACANT ASSOCIATION SEATS

*The Vice President shall announce the existence of any vacancies at the time of its assembly, due to resignation or otherwise.*

### Vacancy of eleven Senators-at-Large Positions

### Vacancy of all appointed Executive Officer Positions

### Vacancy of all appointed Justices Positions

| Vice President | I would like the record to reflect that at the current moment, there are \_\_eleven\_\_\_ Senator-at-large seats vacant.  Additionally, all appointed Executive Officer and Justice positions are still vacant. |
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## RECOGNITION OF PAST BCSGA OFFICERS

*The Vice President will recognize the BCSGA Officers from the previous session of Bakersfield College Student Government Association.*

| Vice President | Moving along our agenda, the Officers of the 98th BCSGA Session would like to thank the Officers of the 97th BCSGA Session.  I would like to acknowledge and thank former BCSGA President Mata for her leadership during a tiring year.    As I call each of the past BCSGA Officers, please make your way up. President Mata will present to you the association’s graduation stole, and Dr. Damania/Advisor Ayala will place the BCSGA Achievement Medallion upon you. This is a small token of the Association’s gratitude for your service and dedication. We hope you will wear these items with pride during your graduation ceremonies. Once you receive them, please be seated back in the gallery.  *[Only call individuals who are present]* |
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| **97th Senate Session Roll Call** | |
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| Senator-at-Large Amey |  |
| Senator-at-Large Singh |  |
| Senator-at-Large Grewal\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| Senator-at-Large Makrai |  |
| Senator-at-Large Knox |  |
| Director of Public Relations Maldonado |  |
| Director of Student Organizations Escobar |  |
| Student Organization Funding Manager Kaur |  |
| Director of Finance Sanchez |  |
| Director of Legislative Affairs Jimenez |  |
| Legislative Affairs Manager Abad |  |
| Director of Student Activities Barraj |  |
| Student Activities Manager Gurrola\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| Vice President Amos |  |
| President Mata |  |

1. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*The Vice President shall recognize in turn BCSGA Officers requesting the floor for a period not to exceed one minute.*

| Vice President | We shall move onto Agenda Item 8. Each Senator is allowed a maximum of one minute for such comments.  I would like to remind all Senators to look out for information on the upcoming meeting of the 98th BCSGA session and a workshop for everyone.  Additionally, please ensure that all paperwork and information is given to the BCSGA Executive Secretary Lanza before you leave today.  Does any Senator seek recognition?  *[Call on Senators]*  I would like to open the floor for other members of the gallery for comments. |
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## ADJOURNMENT

| Vice President | [*When no further business*]  If there are no further announcements,  we are adjourned at [TIME] on Friday, May 6, 2022.  [*RAP GAVEL TWICE*]. |
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