

Resolution to Continue Zoom Meetings for February 2022

WHEREAS: AB 361 (Rivas) signed into law by the Governor on September 16, 2021 extends the ability of legislative bodies to meet via Zoom until January 31, 2022 and then require a vote every 30 days thereafter until January 1, 2024 to continue the Zoom meetings if a health emergency continues to exist;

WHEREAS: Kern County hospitalizations are expected to surge starting in mid-January 2022 as described in the November 13th article in the Californian <https://www.bakersfield.com/news/kern-county-covid-hospitalizations-could-reach-highest-point-in-projected-fourth-surge/article_fcac0f76-4408-11ec-9e72-6b5c86fae5d4.html> and vaccination rates in Kern County are still very low (47% fully vaccinated and 53.5% partially vaccinated); and

WHEREAS: The Bakersfield College Academic Senate's next meeting will be February 2, 2022 (after the January 31 automatic waiver deadline);

BE IT RESOLVED: on this December 1, 2021 date that the Bakersfield College Academic Senate continue to meet via Zoom for February 2022.