

BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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COMMITTEE ON ADVANCEMENT OF BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE

Tuesday, October 27th, 2015

4:00 p.m.

SGA Boardroom

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER*

The meeting was called to order by Senator Graves at 4:15 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL*

A two-thirds quorum must be established to hold a bonafide meeting

The following members were present: Senator Graves, Senator Galvez, Senator Chavez, Senator Sanchez, Senator Olague (late), and Nicky Damania, Ph.D.

The following members were absent: none.

The following members were excused: none.

2/3 quorum was met, thus a bonafide meeting was held.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The Committee will discuss this agenda and may choose to amend or edit the agenda. Upon conclusion of the discussion the Committee may choose to adopt the agenda.

- a. It was moved by Senator Galvez and seconded by Senator Chavez to amend the agenda by striking out under item 4b. "Tuesday, October 13th, 2015" and insert "Tuesday, September 29th, 2015".

Discussion: It was addressed that there was an error in the item of minutes that needed to be approved, as they had still not yet been passed from the prior cancelled meeting.

The motion passed by majority vote of "aye" through voice vote.

- i. It was moved by Senator Chavez and seconded by Senator Sanchez to adopt the agenda for Tuesday, October 27th, 2015.

Discussion: No further discussion occurred.

The motion passed by majority vote of "aye" through voice vote.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Committee will discuss those minutes and may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion the Committee may choose to adopt the minutes.

- a. It was moved by Senator Galvez and seconded by Senator Sanchez to adopt the minutes for Tuesday, October 13th, 2015.

Discussion: There was no further discussion.

The motion passed by majority vote of "aye" through voice vote.

- b. It was moved by Senator Galvez and seconded by Senator Sanchez to adopt the minutes for Tuesday, September 29th, 2015.

Discussion: There was no further discussion.

The motion passed by majority vote of "aye" through voice vote.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT*

The Chair may elect to take public comment on any action items on this agenda. The Chair may impose reasonable limits on the length members of the public may speak which is stated before comment commence.

- a. There were no comments made by the public.

6. INDIVIDUAL REPORTS

The Chair shall recognize any officer of the Association, including the BCSGA Advisor, to offer a report on official activities since the previous meeting and make any summary announcements deemed necessary for no longer than five minutes.

- a. Chair, *Senator Graves Sr.*: I spoke with Ms. Kayden from Golden Empire Transit, and the only way they could arrange some sort of student discount is if the school buys them in bulk, provide them at a lower cost, and the extra funding for it would come from the KVC card. The reason for this is that the transit is run by 80% taxpayer dollars. She also suggested that we contact the Federal Government and petition them to offer the discounts to colleges as they decide who gets the discounts.

- b. *Senator Olague*: I have yet to do anything that pertains to advancement. But last week, I spoke to numerous people, and a main issue brought up is that there is need for more trashcans, and to implement more blue recycling bins. (Senator Galvez responded in that he will help out in whatever he can to get more bins on campus.) I have also heard some rumors in that the MESA program might be shut down, and that many faculty members have said that projectors are stolen on a regular basis.

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Maybe a more efficient plan should be made for security as it seems odd that they're stolen relatively easy.

- c. *Senator Chavez:* I spoke to security about the 24-hour study room and they said would be willing to hire someone to manage it. They also said that there is already security that stays overnight, so security stays 24 hours a day. Additionally, faculty that I spoke to said that this would be possible. But there was an incident recently where someone broke into a classroom in the SE building and stole a projector, so I am not sure how this would affect in obtaining the room but it has affected some programs to do early closure. For example, MESA is now doing early closing hours. I would like to form a petition for this program to remain with hours from 8 am to 9 or 10 p.m. as it provides a place for many STEM students who do not have a place to study, and offers many initiatives for students who direly need it. I am hoping to start a petition that would leave a room open. (Many members of the committee had a consensus that areas on campus who already provide those type of services should try to extend their hours instead of open a new area because it raises security concerns.)
- d. *BCSGA Advisor, Dr. Damania:* I think that the committee should look into doing a night crawl on campus to see where lighting is needed for safety practices since an overnight room is something that the committee is considering. I have also looked into getting the student discounts for the GET bus.

7. OLD BUSINESS

Items listed in this agenda item have already been read or discussed once and thus are considered for approval of the committee

- a. 24 hour study room
Discussion: It was discussed that the library would be a good place to extend the hours of instead of creating a new room.
- b. Renegade Promise
Discussion: This item was pushed on to the next meeting as there was still a need for more information.
- c. GET Bus safe transportation policy
Discussion: It was addressed that this item is still taking a long time to be accomplished. GET has still yet to decide whether they would make the booklet, and have stipulated that it is available online. But not everyone has access to the internet, and it needs to be made where it is easy to comprehend for everyone.
- d. CommUnity hOur
Discussion: The next scheduled date in on November 4th from 12:45 to 1:45 p.m. Senator Graves asked the committee to invite as many students, to promote a lot through flyers, and to become as active as possible in the event. There was at least 32 students who attended the last one, and a better turnout is the next goal for this event.

8. NEW BUSINESS

Items listed in this agenda item have not already been read or discussed once and thus are considered for approval of the committee

- a. CommUnity hOur
Discussion: Senator Graves addressed the committee to contact as many Professors, to obtain their officer hours, and to use their available times to involve as many professors as possible. It was addressed that there were not as many professors to pull out information from at the last event. Senator Graves challenged to invite at least 20 students and obtain information from 20 professors for each senator.
- b. Vending machines for evening students
Discussion: It was discussed that originally the plan was to have Food Services offer another hour of operation, but this raised problems of overtime pay, security, and more. As such, it then came to instead have a cold sandwich machine similar to what the Delano campus currently offers. More information has yet to be provided, and this item was to be brought up at the next meeting.
- c. Vendor to fulfill time slot for evening students
Discussion: This item was also pushed to the next meeting as this item was tied to the vending machines. The purpose of the vendor was to have a vendor at a one-time purchase, and then invite them to continue selling their items on campus for the time that the cafeteria is closed.
- d. GET Bus Discount Tickets
Discussion: This item was pushed onto the next meeting as there is still a wait on the response from GET. It was discussed that Senator Graves set up an appointment with Arisve Pimentel to set up a meeting with Director Damania and a GET correspondent.
- e. It was moved by Senator Galvez and seconded by Senator Sanchez to approve the appointment of Geena Olague to the position of Vice-Chair for the Committee on Advancement

Discussion: No further discussion occurred.

The Senator voted as follows-

Senator Chavez- Yes

Senator Sanchez- Yes

Senator Galvez- Yes

Senator Olague- Yes

The motion passed by majority vote of yes with the votes tallied as 4-0-0.

9. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS*

The Chair shall recognize in turn Officers requesting the floor for a period not to exceed three minutes. The total time for Comments and Announcements before the first reading of legislation shall not exceed fifteen minutes.

- a. Senator Sanchez: Depending on price of the food to be used for the cold food vending machine, what if BCSGA purchased it and donated the food to the machine? This could be something that I investigate with the Director of Finance to see if the budget would allow for it.
- b. Senator Chavez: My idea is that we could utilize more security campuses outside the buildings so that we could have a better grasp on security concern. (Senator Graves addressed Senator Chavez to send an email to him about observing the area where the cameras should be, how far the camera should range, and the cost to have it implemented/maintained to be placed on the next agenda.)
- c. Senator Olague: In regards to MESA, in speaking to many people who are passionate about this program, I am looking to hold a MESA day in conjunction with BCSGA to give more information about what the program is, how it works, how to apply, and more. (It was suggested by Vice President Orozco to invite MESA to come out on days where BCSGA is holding informational booths as they don't quite have student workers, or to have their members do small fundraisers. Senator Graves and Senator Olague decided to place it upon themselves to find out more about the program and how to get the issue worked out.)

10. PUBLIC COMMENT*

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- a. Vice President Orozco: This is my first meeting and I am really excited to have been present for this meeting. I am looking forward to the next meeting. Another idea that could be brought up at the next meeting is to have the blue poles that you press the button for safety help and the lights go off constantly. This could either be implemented here or even at the Weill Institute. It could be the "Renegade Reds".

11. ADJOURNMENT

- a. It was moved by Senator Galvez and seconded by Senator Sanchez to adjourn the meeting.

Discussion: No further discussion occurred.

The motion passed by majority vote of "aye" through voice vote. Senator Graves adjourned the meeting at 5:03 p.m.