

# BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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## SENATE BODY

Wednesday, May 22nd, 2024

4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

BCSGA Boardroom, Campus Center

Meeting Zoomlink: <https://kccd-edu.zoom.us/j/96504179517?pwd=NFMrVmVlU2V6eHdRWExtamJHYldzdz09>

### 1. CONVENING OF THE 100<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE BCSGA SENATE

Meeting called into order on Wednesday May 22, 2024 at 4:09 PM

### 2. ASCERTAINMENT OF QUORUM

*A majority quorum must be established to hold a bona fide meeting*

VP Arafah- Present

Senator Turner- Present

Majority members are present, quorum has been established and a bonafide meeting may be held.

### 3. CORRECTIONS TO THE MINUTES

*The Senate will discuss and correct minutes from previous meetings.*

- a The Senate will consider any corrections to the minutes from the meeting held on Wednesday, May 3rd, 2024.

Minutes not available at this time chair moving forth to next section.

### 4. 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)*

No public Comment

### 5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE SENATE

*The Vice President shall administer the oath of office to the newly elected Association Officers.*

*The Senate will consider the following nominations for an Association Office. When the Senate has concluded its deliberations, the Senate may approve the nomination, reject the nomination, or take no action upon the nomination. The Senate will consider the names nominated to the Association Office. The Senate may consider the character, professional competence, physical or mental health, or other matters permissible under Brown Act during consideration of this item. Under Brown Act, the meeting may not be closed.*

- a Election of Mr. Kelvin Winston for the position of BCSGA Senator at-Large  
Ex Military, Learned core values and leadership through Army. In short time here he feels we are still missing campus culture and there's a need for further student engagement.  
Pros  
Dir Stud Orgs - He has the drive.  
Public Cecil Dexter - Already involved  
Secretary - Already pinpointing the areas of improvement.

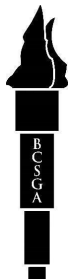
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Public Yazahydi- Second secretary comments, student demonstrates a drive and vision

Roll Call

Senator Trevor Turner - Aye

VP Arafah - Aye

2 Ayes / 0 Noes Motion Carries.

- b Election of Ms. Samantha Felix for the position of BCSGA Senator at-Large

Ms Felix not present , section will be skipped per VP Arafah.

#### 6. ADMINISTERING THE OATH OF OFFICE

*The Vice President shall administer the oath of office to the newly elected Association Officers.*

#### 7. REPORTS OF THE ASSOCIATION

*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 three minutes, save the advisor, who has infinite time.*

- a Vice President Nothing to report
- b BCSGA Advisors (∞ mins.)

#### 8. REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

*The Chair shall recognize the Executive Officers and Departments to report for no longer than three minutes on the activities since the previous meeting.*

- a Office of the President - Keep eyes and ears open for upcoming assignments to the participatory committee.
- b Department of Student Organizations - First meeting to be held on June 6th looking to have training materials ready.
- c Department of Secretary- Senate meeting 2nd and 4th Wednesdays,all will receive access to email and calendar reminders.
- d KCCD Student Trustee - Nothing to report

#### 9. APPOINTMENTS OF ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

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- a Appointment of Ms. Esmeralda Abad for the position of BCSGA Parliamentarian

Currently a Business Major, I am passionate about other people. I want to be involved and a part of what happens on campus to better student success.

Pros:

Senator Turner:Passionate, Committed, Dedicated, Experienced.

Senator Winston: Seconds Senator Turner

Dir Stud Orgs: Previously experienced and well trained

Cons: None

Roll Call

Senator Turner: Aye

Senator Winston Aye

2 Ayes/0 Noes Motion Carries.

- b Appointment of Ms. Yazahydi Samaniego for the position of BCSGA Director of Finance

I would like to expand the communication and network amongst every group at BC  
I would like to oversee and handle the finances for the SGA.

No Questions

Pros:

Senator Turner: Dedication and commitment to clubs and certification or  
accomplishments. Extensive professional experience,

Senator Winston : Willingness to serve

Cons: None

Roll Call

Senator Turner: Aye

Senator Winston Aye

2 Ayes/0 Noes Motion Carries.

- c Appointment of Mr. Cecil Dexter for the position of BCSGA Student Organization Funding Manager

I have been SOF manager for about a year and working with Dir Tamayo, We have  
worked on many strategies to greaten the number of clubs as well as strengthening  
the training. We have doubled the amount of clubs. I am also looking to work even  
harder and am looking forward to all the new clubs that are to happen.

Pros:

Senator Turner: 1 year experience already a pro

Dir Stud Orgs: He is very active, creating new ways to facilitate

Senator Winston: Trailblazer

Cons: None

Roll Call

Senator Turner: Aye

Senator Winston Aye

2 Ayes/0 Noes Motion Carries.

- d Appointment of Mr. Eric Testori for the position of BCSGA Judicial Review Board Justice

Mr Eric Testori not present and VP Arafah will skip this section

## 10. ADMINISTERING THE OATH OF OFFICE

*The Parliamentarian (or Vice President, if absent) shall administer the oath of office for all newly appointed positions or elected officers.*

## 11. ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE SENATE

*The Senate may elect a Senate Pro-Tempore, pursuant to the BCSGA Constitution Article VI, section 6, and Chairperson of each Senate Standing Committee.*

*The Senate may consider the character, professional competence, physical or mental health, or other matters permissible, of certain individuals during consideration of*

*this position. Then, the Senate will consider a binding resolution to appoint a senator as the Senate Officer established by the BCSGA Cobra. Under the Brown Act, the Senate may not close the meeting.*

- a. The Senate shall elect Senate Pro-Tempore and the Chairperson to the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs

Senator Turner- I Self nominate for the position of Pro Tempore  
Senator Winston - Nominates Trevor Turner to Pro Tempore

Roll Call

Senator Turner: Aye

Senator Winston Aye

2 Ayes/0 Noes Motion Carries.

## 12. APPOINTMENT OF SENATORS TO COMMITTEES AND DEPARTMENTS

*The senate will recommend members to each of the Senate Standing Committee and the BCSGA Departments. Then, the Senate will consider a binding resolution to appoint Senators as member to each Senate Standing Committees or BCSGA Departments established by the BCSGA COBRA. The Senate may consider the character, professional competence, physical or mental health, or other matters permissible under the California Brown Act, of certain individuals during considerations of this item. Under the Brown Act, the Senate may not close the meeting.*

- a. BCSGA Department on Finance  
Senators interested in Dept of Finance  
Senator Turner and Senator Winston  
No Objections to appointment Motion Carries
- b. BCSGA Department on Legislative Affairs  
Senators interested in Dept of Leg Affairs  
Senator Turner and Senator Winston  
No Objections to appointment Motion Carries
- c. BCSGA Department on Student Activities  
Senators interested in Dept of Activities  
Senator Turner and Senator Winston  
No Objections to appointment Motion Carries
- d. BCSGA Department on Student Organization  
Senators interested in Dept of Stud Organizations  
Senator Turner and Senator Winston  
No Objections to appointment Motion Carries

## 13. FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION

*The Senate shall read the legislation for the first time and then may choose to refer to the committee.*

- a. ACTION ITEM: S.B Appropriations Bill for the BCSGA Annual Budget (FY25)  
Senator Turner moves to send SB Appropriations Bill for the BCSGA Annual Budget (FY25) Senator Winston seconds.  
No Objections

## 14. NEW BUSINESS

*Items listed here have not already been discussed once and are this are considered for approval by the Senate.*

- a. ACTION ITEM: Adoption of the FY 25 Revisions of the Codes of the Bakersfield Renegade Association (COBRA)  
Senator Turner moves to adopt the FY 25 Revisions of the Codes of the Bakersfield Renegade Association (COBRA) Senator Winston Seconds.  
No Objections

## 15. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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Advisor Ayala- Congratulate all those sworn in today. You Senators came in and automatically took the responsibility and understood where we stand with the committee assignments. I appreciate you. Keep on scouting additional members to join specifically senators, the next time process will be a lot faster than today.

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:01 PM ON 5/22/24