

BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

1801 Panorama Drive, Campus Center, Room 4 | Bakersfield, California 93305

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, November 24, 2015

5:00 to 6:00 P.M.

Student Life Resource Room

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER*

The meeting was called to order by Senator Sanchez at 5:13 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL*

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

The following members were present: Senator Chavez, Senator Nicholson, Senator Graves (late), Director Mendoza, Senator Sanchez, and Advisor Damania

The following members were absent: none

The following members were excused: none

2/3 quorum was established, 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 Chavez and seconded by Director Mendoza to adopt the agenda for Tuesday, November 24, 2015.

Discussion: No further discussion occurred.

The motion carried 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 Director Mendoza and seconded by Senator Chavez to adopt the minutes from November 10, 2015.

Discussion: No further discussion occurred.

The motion carried 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 Sanchez*: No report
- b. Senator Chavez: I have investigated more about the water purifying system/water fountain so that students can fill their water bottles. The cost runs anywhere from \$800 to \$1,400. My idea is to place it somewhere in the halls, and not inside so that students will have access to it even if they have late night classes. (It was advised that there needs to be a proposal and full drawn out plan to have it implemented.)
- c. BCSGA Advisor, *Dr. Damania*: No report

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

- a. There was no unfinished business.

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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. Maintenance of the cold sandwich vending machine
Discussion: It was discussed that a plan needs to be set for the upcoming semester or before the end of the year, as each session has changing officers and there needs to be an established protocol to maintain the vending machine.
- b. SOF grant for the Black Caucus conference
Discussion: It was discussed that the Student Senate for California Community Colleges Black Caucus Conference is coming to Bakersfield College on February 19th through the 21st. Senator Graves is seeking helping in creating a SOF grant to help facilitate the event on the main campus. It was advised that he needs to take a look at the guidelines and limitations as to who can apply, for what, and how. The SOF grant is believed to not be open to outside organizations, so it may have to be through an internal BC/BCSGA department or committee. CCA, or Campus Collaborative Action, grants are what he was suggested to also look into for applying.
- c. "Help G's Get GED's."
Discussion: Senator Graves discussed that in January he plans for committee members on the Committee on Advancement to go out into the community, go to the high schools, and personally contact or survey what are the issues that they can help with in order to help those students who are struggling to be academically successful. For instance, there are some who will graduate, but there are some who will not or some who will drop out. As such, BCSGA and Bakersfield College can help to be a further assistance to encourage those students to finish their high school career to have more career opportunities than if they did not. It was written as "G's" in order to help do a play on words and to reach out with younger generations, but it is meant as graduates.
- d. Spring 2016, Finance Committee's new meeting schedule
Discussion: The committee discussed that a meeting time and date needs to be established before the start of next semester, but that will coincide with everyone's new Spring semester schedule. It will help to get the committee up and running much quicker. It was suggested to hold a "Doodle poll" to see what each member's available times is.

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 Chavez: I have an idea and need some direction as to how to set up a connection with Bright House Networks so that students can receive a discount in order to have wireless internet set up within their home. There are many students who cannot afford Wi-Fi. (It was suggested that a proposal needs to be sent to the company, get an estimate for implementation cost, and how this would be secured for students only. It was brought up by personal advice that Bright House is currently doing refurbished computers and provided internet connection at a lower cost for low income homes, so it may be possible to do so.)
- b. Director Mendoza: Before the meeting, everyone was sent a link through email for the KCCD Committees website. This link will take you to the Budget Allocation Model Committee reports, and these reports entail what the allocation guidelines are for Bakersfield College, the Weill Institute, Porterville College, and Cerro Coso College. These guidelines may not be read fully until a few years from now until there is a dilemma. If you have any questions or concerns about it, please let me know. I am a member of that committee and will remain until the end of 2015-2016 year.

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

11. ADJOURNMENT

- a. It was moved by Senator Graves and seconded by Senator Chavez to adjourn the meeting.
Discussion: No further discussion occurred,
The motion carried by majority vote of "aye" with no objections. The meeting was adjourned by Senator Sanchez at 5:36 p.m.