

President's Report — April 20, 2022

Commencement - May 12

Please come to the in-person Commencement Ceremony on May 12! This will be the largest gathering with 1630 students. With up to 6 tickets per student for family + friends, we'll be using both sides of the stadium to fit everybody.

Please RSVP to participate. You can either attend and sit on the field, volunteer to assist wherever needed, or both volunteer to assist and attend & sit on the field. To be sure there is a seat for you, you need to RSVP at https://bakersfieldcollegeedu.formstack.com/forms/bc_faculty_commencement_participation .

As of yesterday, there were just 45 faculty who had signed up. The students really do appreciate seeing their professors cheering them on, so please come! Commencement coordinator, Michelle Smith, says we also really need volunteers to help.

ASCCC Spring Plenary

Lisa Harding was BC's voting delegate to the ASCCC Spring Plenary held April 7-9 (Thurs-Sat before Spring Break). Erica Menchaca and I also attended the sessions. Paula Parks was honored with Regina Stanback Stroud Diversity Award at the Friday general gathering. You can view that presentation at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sI0vIM8VgoQ> . The ASCCC officer election and resolutions results are posted at the end of this meeting's Supporting Documents. Direct link: <https://committees.kccd.edu/sites/committees.kccd.edu/files/ASCCC-Spr22Plenary-Report.pdf> .

Academic Senate (all faculty) Constitution

Well, it took an extra couple of weeks (including Spring Break) and numerous reminders to get enough votes cast but we got enough for the "50% vote quorum" specified in the Constitution. The final tally is 87.8% yes, 12.2% no, with 189 votes cast out of 313 eligible ballots. The new Constitution has been approved!