

ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES - unapproved

March 12, 2025; 3:30 p.m.

Campus Center - 231

Members

Voting Members

Position	Name	Attendance
President	Erica Giblin*	Present
Vice President	Rebecka Zepeda	Present
Secretary	Paula Parks	Present
Treasurer	William (Bill) Chapman	Present
ASCCC Delegate	Lisa Harding	Proxy
Adjunct	Debra Thorson	Proxy
Adjunct	Justin Bell	Present
Agriculture	Heather Baltis	Present
AH (HEIT/RAD/RSPT)	Crystal Rodriguez	Proxy
AST	VACANT	
Art	Kristopher Stallworth	Absent
Behavioral Sciences	Charles Daramola	Present
Behavioral Sciences	Kristin Maytubby	Present
Biology	Milena Lilles	Present
Biology	Anne-Marie Hodge	Present
Business Education	Rudy Menjivar	Present
Communication	Michael Korcok	Present
Counseling	Keri Kennedy	Present
Counseling	Sarah Villasenor	Absent
Education	Teresa McAllister	Present
EMLS	John Hart	Absent
EIT	Steve Brown	Present
English	Richard Marquez	Present
English	Shane Jett	Present
English	Diana Cason	Present
FACE	Melissa Ysais	Present
Foreign Language/ASL	VACANT	
Industrial Technology	Klint Rigby	Present
Kinesiology, H&A	Carl Dean	Present
Kinesiology, H&A	Zack Peters	Proxy
Library/Ac. Tech.	Faith Bradham	Proxy
Mathematics	Donna Starr	Proxy
Mathematics	Andrea Bridges	Proxy
Nursing	Alisha Loken	Present
Nursing	Malissa Buggs	Absent
Performing Arts	Robby Martinez	Present
Philosophy	Anna Collins	Present
Physical Science	Wade Ellis	Present
Physical Science	Hafez Alawdi	Present
PSTP	Don Brady	Present
Social Science	R. Allen Bolar	Present
Social Science	Misty Stowers	Present

Non-Voting Members

Position	Name	Attendance
AIQ Chair	VACANT	
Assessment Chair	Ricardo Garza	Present
Bookstore Chair	Michael McNellis	Present
Budget Chair	Kailani Henry	Absent
Curriculum Chair	Michelle Hart	Absent
Curriculum Chair	Scott Dameron	Present
DEI Chair	Tanya Silva	Present
EMC Chair	Dillon Giblin	Present
EODAC Chair	Gilbert Ayuk	Absent
Equivalency Chair	Kimberly Bligh	Present
FSC Chair	Murad Zikri	Absent
ISIT Chair	Matt Andrasian-Jones	Present
PDC Chair	Sara Manuel	Present
PRC Chair	Kimberly Nickell	Absent
Scholarship Chair	Tom Moran	Absent
Safety Chair	Roy Allard	Absent
SGA Rep	Trevor Turner	Absent

*Senate President votes only in tie**

All documents referenced herein are located on the [Academic Senate website](#); ASCCC 2022 [Acronyms](#).

PROXIES/GUESTS

Proxies: Vayron Martinez (proxy for Zack Peters), Alisha Loken (proxy for Lisa Harding), Michael Korcok (proxy for Debra Thorson), Dillon Giblin (proxy for Donna Starr/Andrea Bridges), Bridget Nixon-Calderon (proxy for Crystal Rodriguez), Matt Andrasian-Jones (proxy for Faith Bradham)

Guests: Ann Tatum, Bryan Hirayama, Alex Gomez, Michael Westwood, Helen Acosta

CALL TO ORDER

Academic Senate President, Erica Giblin, called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Academic Senate Administrative Assistant, Tarina Perry, called roll and determined quorum was met.

GOOD, WELFARE, AND CONCERNS

Today will be President Giblin's last Senate meeting as she is anticipating the arrival of her new baby girl. The Senate members thanked Erica for her outstanding leadership and wished her a safe delivery.

OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE SENATE

- Bryan Hirayama announced the [Rising Scholars Regional Meeting](#) scheduled for April 5th.
- Helen Acosta presented [Shaping Our Shared Commitment: A Thoughtful Revision of the Free Expression Statement](#). (read during the agenda item)

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

[March 12, 2025](#)

A motion was made to adopt the agenda (Ysais moved/Ellis seconded); motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Screening Committee Appointments – pulled from Consent
- Professional Development Committee Charge – pulled from Consent

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda (D. Giblin proxy for Starr moved/D. Giblin proxy for Bridges seconded); motion carried.

A. Approval of the Minutes

- [February 26, 2025](#)

B. Faculty Appointments

- Standing Committee Appointments
Standing Committee [list of March 12th](#)
- Screening Committee Appointments
Screening Committee [V2 list of March 12th](#)

A motion was made to approve the revised version of the faculty appointments (Ysais moved/Zepeda seconded); motion carried.

- Task Forces, Liaisons, other groups
Task Force Committees [list of March 12th](#)

C. Committee and Task Force Charge Revisions

- [Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee](#) (DEI)
- [Equal Opportunity and Diversity Advisory Committee](#) (EODAC)
- Professional Development Committee (PDC) [V2](#)

A motion was made to approve the revised charge (Hodge moved/Maytubby seconded).

***The motion was amended (Ellis moved/Brady seconded); motion carried.
Perfected motion carried.***

PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations scheduled.

REPORTS

A. President's Report – [written report](#)

Highlights:

- Election – results were announced.
- Faculty evaluation forms – all three colleges have agreed to evaluate the forms.
- C's & B's will continue to be tabled due to accessibility issues.

B. Officer Reports

Vice President (Zepeda)

Treasurer (Chapman) - one more donation is needed to meet our goal.

Secretary (Parks)
ASCCC Delegate (Harding)

- C. SGA (Turner)
- D. CCA (Tatum) - [written report](#)
- E. Committee Reports
 - AIQ (Vacant) - [written report](#)
 - AC (Garza) - no report
 - BAC (McNellis)
 - BT (Henry) - [written report](#)
 - CRC (Hart/Dameron)
 - DEI (Silva) - [written report](#)
 - EC (Bligh)
 - EMC (D. Giblin) - [written report](#)
 - EODAC (Ayuk) - no report
 - FSC (Zikri) - no report
 - ISIT (Andrasian-Jones) - [written report](#)
 - PDC (Manuel) - [written report](#)
 - PRC (Nickell)
 - SAC (Allard) - [written report](#)
 - SC (Moran)

Next step: Committee written reports will be posted on the next [College Council](#) Agenda.

- F. Task Force, Liaison, other groups Reports
 - BC Strategic Foresight (Zepeda) - [written report](#)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. [Instruction Reorganization Proposal](#)

Description: a proposed instructional reorganization drafted by the Interim Vice President of Instruction, Jessica Wojtysiak; Second Read and an Action item.

A motion was made to recommend the proposal (Korcok moved/Rigby seconded); motion carried with one abstention.

Next step: The recommendation will be conveyed to the VPI office.

- B. [Student Services Proposed Organizational Chart](#)

Description: a proposed student services reorganization chart drafted by Vice President of Student Services (VPSS), Cesar Jimenez; Second Read and an Action item.

There were several questions and concerns raised while discussing this item.

A motion was made to postpone this item until the next meeting when Dr. Jimenez would be available. (Kennedy moved/Parks seconded); motion carried.

Next step: This item will remain on the agenda.

- C. [Department Restructure Process](#)

Description: Proposal of a past practice that is being documented; This is a Second Read and Action Item.

A motion was made to approve the process (Ysais moved/Zepeda seconded);

motion carried.

Next step: This process will be recorded in the Senate records.

D. [Proposed BC Support to Freedom of Expression Statement](#)

Description: Bakersfield College statement – support of Freedom of Expression for ALL BC Community Members; this is a Second Read and Action Item.

- [Analysis and proposed revisions to the proposed Bakersfield College Statement on Free Expression](#)

A motion was made to postpone this item until the next meeting so as to review with constituents (Korcok moved/Andrasian-Jones proxy for Bradham seconded);

A motion was made to suspend the agenda and move to Item E to wait for public comment from Helen Acosta (Ellis moved/Korcok seconded); she arrived after the motion but before the vote; motion failed

Original motion carried

Next step: This item will remain on the agenda.

E. [BC Social Media Policy Proposal](#)

Description: Introduction of a new policy regarding social media and the relationship to Bakersfield College; this is a Second Read and Action Item.

A motion was made to postpone this item in anticipation of a revised version from College Council (Hodge moved/Zepeda seconded); motion carried.

Next step: This item will remain on the agenda.

F. [Default Textbook Assignment Resolution](#)

Description: Default Textbook Assignment Resolution developed by the Bookstore Advisory Committee to ensure every course will have a default textbook ISBN on record by April 1st of every year; this is a Second Read and Action Item.

A motion was made to extend Unfinished Business time (Collins moved/Bell seconded); motion carried.

A motion was made to extend five minutes for discussion on this topic (Alawdi moved/Bell seconded); motion carried.

A motion was made to approve the Resolution (Korcok moved/Ysais seconded); motion carried.

Next step: The Resolution will be shared with VPI office.

NEW BUSINESS

A. [Academic Renewal Policy Revision Proposal](#)

Description: During Fall 2024 ASCCC Plenary, one of the resolutions called for local/district Academic Senates to investigate Academic Renewal Policies; this is a First Read and will be a voting item at the next meeting.

Discussion: The Counseling Department is in favor of the proposal, and it is similar to comparable colleges.

B. [Standing Committee Charges Annual Review](#)

Description: President Fliger has announced that College Council will not recognize work submitted by a committee if its charge has not been reviewed/approved by the end of the Fall semester; this is a First Read and will be a voting item at the next meeting.

The Senate By-laws, Article VIII-Committees, Section 7: College-wide Committee charges are

to be reviewed annually in the Fall semester and any revisions must be approved by the Senate (body rep.) before the new charge can take effect.

Discussion: The members were asked to review this item with their constituents and provide feedback.

C. [FACE Department Restructure Proposal](#)

Description: Alex Gomez submitted a restructuring proposal on behalf of the FACE Department that separates into two departments: Child Development and Culinary

Arts/Nutrition/Hospitality; this is a First Read and will be a voting item at the next meeting.

Discussion: The majority of the department are in favor of the proposal.

D. [EMLS/Foreign Language/ASL Department Restructure Proposal](#)

Description: Michael Westwood submitted a restructuring proposal on behalf of the two departments with the goal of combining them into one with a new name of World Languages;

This is a First Read and will be a voting item at the next meeting.

Discussion: The departments were unanimously in favor of the proposal.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Library Book Sale, March 17-21

Chancellor's Spring Town Hall – Faculty, March 28th

BC Budget Office Forum, April 25th

TALE fest, April 2025

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting (Brady moved/Ysais seconded); motion carried unanimously.

Academic Senate President, Erica Giblin, adjourned the meeting at 4:53 p.m.

The minutes are respectfully submitted by

Tarina Perry, Academic Senate Administrative Assistant.