

BC Academic Senate Regular Meeting Minutes – approved

Wednesday, February 11, 2026, at 3:30 p.m. in Campus Center 231

Bakersfield College, 1801 Panorama Dr, Bakersfield, CA 93305

Voting Members Present

President [25-27] Rebecka Zepeda - present

Vice President [25-26] Sara Manuel - present

Secretary [25-26] Wade Ellis - present

Treasurer [25-26] William (Bill) Chapman - present

ASCCC Delegate [25-27] Erica Giblin - present

Adjunct [24-26] Justin Bell - absent

Adjunct [25-27] - vacant

Agriculture [25-27] Heather Baltis - present

Allied Health (HEIT/RAD/RSPT) [24-26] Crystal Rodriguez - absent

Applied Science & Technology [25-27] - vacant

Art [25-27] Kirstopher Stallworth - present

Behavioral Science [24-26] Kristin Maytubby – present

Behavioral Science [25-27] -vacant

Biology [24-26] -Milena Lilles - present

Biology [25-27] -vacant

Business Education [24-26] Rudy Menjivar -present

Child Development [25-27] Melissa Ysais –present

Communication [25-27] - vacant

Counseling [24-26] Keri Kennedy -present

Counseling [25-27] Jesus (Jesse) Oropeza -present

Culinary Arts, Nutrition & Hospitality [25-27] Laura Miller -present

Education [25-27] Teresa McAllister -present

Engineering & Information Technology [24-26] Steve Brown -present

English [24-26] - vacant

English [24-26] Diana Cason – absent

English [25-27] -vacant

Industrial Technology [25-27] Klint Rigby – present

Kinesiology, Health, Athletics & Public Health Services [24-26] Carl Dean - present

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Library & Academic Technology [25-27] Matt Andrasian-Jones – present

Mathematics [24-26] Donna Starr – present

Mathematics [25-27] Andrea Bridges -present

Nursing [24-26] Alisha Loken - present

Nursing [25-27] -vacant

Philosophy [24-26] Anna Collins - present

Physical Science [24-26] Hafez Alawdi – absent (Wade Ellis, proxy)

Physical Science [25-27] Nick Strobel - present

Performing Arts [24-26] - vacant

Public Safety Training Programs [25-27] Don Brady -present

Social Science [24-26] Richard (Alan) Bolar - absent

Social Science [25-27] Misty Stowers - present

World Languages [25-27] -vacant

SGA Representative/non-voting member [25-26] Hunter Moore – present

SGA Representative/non-voting member [25-26] Zaina Jawad – present

1. Call to Order

Academic Senate President Zepeda called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m.

2. Roll Call

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

3. Good & Welfare

There were no announcements.

4. Opportunity to Address the Academic Senate

There were no requests to address the Senate.

Hunter Moore - addressed the Senate on a non-agenda item.

5. Adoption of the Agenda

M/S/C: (moved/ seconded) to adopt the; motion carried.

6. Consent Agenda

All items were pulled from the Consent Agenda.

A. Approval of Minutes

- Jan 12, 2026
- Jan 28, 2026

M/S/C: (moved/ seconded) to approve the minutes ; motion carried.

B. Faculty Appointments

- Standing Committee –

M/S/C: (moved/ seconded) to approve the faculty appointments ; motion carried.

- Screening Committee-

M/S/C: (moved/ seconded) to approve the faculty appointments; motion carried.

- ASCCC Liaisons, and other groups - none

C. Committee and Task Force Charge Revisions

There were no Charges to review.

7. Presentations

8. Reports

A. President (Zepeda) –

Question regarding AUR's. feedback was requested as group responses instead of individual responses, so if there is any feedback from Senate to send to RZ.

Discipline audit – to ensure the records at the campuses are the same as the HR's so its consistent.

BP/AP feedback were asked (2/4) – chapter 4/5 should be reviewed.

b. Officer Reports

Vice President (Manuel)

Treasurer (Chapman) – verbal report

Secretary (Ellis)

ASCCC Delegate (E. Giblin)

SGA (Moore/Jawad) – written report

M/S/C: (Chapman moved/Bell seconded) to extend discussion for three minutes; motion carried.

CCA (Newsom) – replacement for DC but not in the CCA contract. There is a discrepancy. Between the C'sB's. ensure that contract aligns with the C'sBs, BP CCA and other colleges.

c. Committee Reports

AIQ (Commiso) – attending training and providing in the review process for RSI. ACCJC letter re BC is posted to their site. Accreditation Open Forum on 2/18 at 1pm.

AC (Garza) – written report

BAC (McNellis)

BTC (Henry) - written report (feedback on the AUR DWBC would be involved and provides recommendation (rare meeting recently). So, concern shared that this is not the process. Constant delays and procrastination of following process and with the DW Budget and possible vote of no confidence in our VC of Finance (CFO)?

CRC (Hart/Dameron)

DEI (Silva)

EC (Greenwood)

EMC (D. Giblin)

EODAC (Ayuk)

FSC (Murray) – written report connection with other committees that may be able to collaborate with on sustainable efforts.

Technology Committee (formerly ISIT) (Klopstein)

PRC (Nickell)

SAC (Allard) –

SC (Moran)

Committee Reports will be shared with College Council.

9. Unfinished Business

A. Military Absence Request Form [Jimenez/Frank]

Description:

M/S/C: (E. Giblin moved/Kennedy seconded) to postpone this item until additional information is received back from Frank; motion carried.

B. Online Teaching Guidelines Proposal for RSI v4

Description:

Returning document previously approved

Fall 2026, will be reviewed by ACCJC; so prior to that deadline summer is still an option

July training will be available. Over one thousand courses to review.

M/S: (McAllister/Kennedy) to approve the revision (V4); motion? Addition of Hybrid. (1 abstention-stowers).

Extensive discussion and comments regarding the timeline of review and federal audits and accreditation compliance.

M/S/C: (Dean/Strobel to extend discussion; motion carried.

M/S/C: Baltis/Kennedy moved to extend discussion 10 minutes; motion carried.

Current Prof. Exp. Not available until July, but can push to get another training prior to summertime.
Looking internal to

Academic Tech flex events are very helpful with the RSI.

Number of review are still under consideration and may increase as the number of reviews are available.

C. KCCD & BC Academic Calendars v3 (previously approved, but needs a correction).

Description: the calendars have been approved, but correction the date of Dec. 12.

Summer session moving forward is moved out to allow turn over with mult depts. Dates listed do not reflect actual class start

M/S/C: revisions approved Kennedy/Strobel to approve both calendars; motion carried.

10. New Business

a. Distance Education Review Council (DERC)

Description: ; this is a 1st Read.

b. *Catalog*

c. *Catalog*

d. *KCCD IEPI Data*

*Funding source for this item. This item was funded in the past but did not come to fruition.
What happened with the funding and the outcome?*

11. Announcements

Panorama Invitational

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Scholarship Committee Review Period

Campus Equity Conversation

Senate Elections – March

ASCCC Area A – March 13

Spring Plenary April 9-11

BOT at BC April 9

Closing Day/Commencement May 15

College Discovery Academy, June

BC Scholarship Applications Open until Feb 1st

College Discovery Academy, June 2026

12. Adjournment

M/S/C: (Strobel moved/Kennedy seconded) to adjourn the meeting; motion carried unanimously.

The Academic Senate President Zepeda adjourned the meeting at 4:50 p.m.

The Academic Senate Minutes are respectfully submitted by Tarina Perry.