

BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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SENATE BODY

Wednesday, October 22nd, 2025

4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

BCSGA Boardroom, Campus Cen

Meeting Zoom link: <https://kccd-edu.zoom.us/j/87484152588?pwd=srbUXlN4bWZlLH9zL0YyVjJlAZblLea>

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 4:16pm on October 22nd, 2025, by Vice President Moore.

2. ASCERTAINMENT OF QUORUM

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

The following members of the Senate were present: Vice President Moore, Senator West, Senator Ramirez, Senator Hernandez, Senator Perez, Senator Garcia, Senator Jawad, Senator Serna.

8/8 members present; quorum has been established.

Other BCSGA members present: Advisor Cordova, Advisor Damania, President Mackey, Director Brown, Director Griepsma, Manager Dirden, Secretary Galindo

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, October 8th, 2025.

Minutes approved no correction put forth.

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 was made.

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. Davon Kennedy for the position of BCSGA Senator at-Large

Agenda item skipped, candidate not present.

6. 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.

Agenda item skipped, candidate not present.

7. RECEIPT OF CORRESPONDENCE TO THE SENATE

The Senate will present received communications. No action will be taken on communications, other than referring to committee.

- a. Committee Changes

The Senate may make changes to committee or department assignments.

Director Brown added to Professional Development Committee.

No internal BCSGA Committee changes were made.

Notes:

Unless otherwise marked by an asterisk, all agenda items are action items upon which the Senate may act. Action items may be taken out of the order to be presented at the discretion of the Chair. BCSGA supports providing equal access to all programs for people with disabilities. Reasonable efforts will be made to provide accommodation for people with disabilities to attend the meeting. Please call the Office of Student Life at (661) 395-4355 as soon as possible to arrange for appropriate accommodation.

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8. 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: **attended Academic Senate meeting; will begin to send out reminder for a week in advance to put items on the agenda**

- b. Senators

Senator West: Legislative Affairs informal meeting; Every Voice Matters event November 3rd; GovOps Committee meeting

Senator Ramirez: no report

Senator Perez: Hope Talks event; first Advancement Committee meeting

Senator Jawad: Leadership Conference

Senator Serna: Student Organizations meeting, approved 2 SOF grants

Senator Garcia: Student Organizations meeting, ISIT Committee; GovOps Committee meeting

Senator Hernandez: no report

- c. BCSGA Advisors (∞ mins.)

Advisor Cordova: employee badges and uniform; host of KCCD Retreat on January 12th or 13th

Advisor Damania: be aware of what you are posting on social media, be mindful of putting BC in social media biographies; hosting end of the year late night study hours

- a. Activities & Events

Advisor Cordova: Planning committee Tuesdays 4:30-5:30pm

- b. Bakersfield Christmas Parade

Advisor Cordova: December 4th "12 Nights of BC" float theme; will begin prepping items in November.

9. 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: **BC shirts for satellite campuses**
- b. Department of Student Organizations:

Director Griepsma: SOF grants passed, new By-laws template for StudOrgs

Manager Dirden: Leadership Conference

- c. Department of Legislative Affairs: **Every Voice Matters November 3rd 11-1pm, 7/10 tables filled for event, will be a representative for BC this Friday for event Leadership Conference; working with DSPS to improve services to students**
- d. Department of Finance: **officer not present, no report given**
- e. Department of Public Relations: **officer not present, no report given**
- f. Department of Secretary: **all minutes finished from past meetings, ready to be approved; meeting recordings uploaded; Treat or Table event on Saturday**
- g. KCCD Student Trustee: **officer not present, no report given**

10. REPORTS FROM THE PARTICIPATORY GOVERNANCE COMMITTEES

The Chair shall recognize the officer of each participatory committee to report for no longer than three minutes on the committee's activities since the previous meeting.

- a. Academic Senate

Vice President Moore: classified staff negotiations with KCCD; distance education handbook

Senator Jawad: discussing how to make online classes more accessible to students

- b. Accreditation & Institutional Quality Committee

President Mackey: review process for online courses; standardized checklist for course review; Title IV Compliance

- c. Assessment Committee

President Mackey: data collection from students to improve courses

- d. Budget Committee

No report given

e. College Council

President Mackey: Student Equity Plan, no activities were mentioned/student involvement; classes scheduled back-to-back being a problem; participation in Professional Development Committee, seeking two candidates to put on committee

f. Curriculum Committee

Director Griepsma: went through requirements that courses needed to go through to be established as part of curriculum

g. Equal Opportunity & Diversity Advisory Council (EODAC)

Senator Perez: screening committee for new hires of faculty on campus

President Mackey: review on EODAC standards; DEI Committee screening checklist

h. Enrollment Committee

No report given

i. Facilities & Sustainability Committee

Senator Perez: no report

j. Information Services & Instructional Technology (ISIT)

Senator Garcia: no active chair for this committee; "Involvement" of staff on committee, possibly dissolving committee and rebuild one with less representatives; will be a hybrid committee now

k. Program Review Committee

President Mackey: no report

l. Safety Advisory Committee

Director Griepsma: no report

11. **DIRECT REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEES***

The Chair shall recognize the chairperson of each standing committee and then each special committee to report for no longer than five minutes on the committee's activities since the previous meeting.

- a. Committee on Academic Affairs, Senator Jawad: first meeting Friday October 24th at 11am, new meeting time will likely be 1st and 3rd Mondays
- b. Committee on Advancement of Bakersfield College, Senator Perez: discussed previous resolutions and what to do with them; BC Southwest pantry will be open in January; Dream Center Establishment; discussing plans for when CSS building is in process of demolition and rebuilt
- c. Committee on Government Operations, Senator West: discussed the dissolution of BCSGA Department of Public Relations and Student Activities, dissolution of managerial roles within each department (likely to go into effect for FY27); drafting more scholarships and agreements

12. **NEW BUSINESS**

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

- a. DISCUSSION: Recap of Homecoming Week from October 6th to October 11th.

Vice President Moore: school spirit on display; Homecoming parade

Director Griepsma: improvement on campaigning timeline for Homecoming Royalty; getting Student Orgs and departments to participate in the parade; restructuring path for float

Secretary Galindo: students not being aware of events going on campus

Advisor Cordova: explained short-staffing and few people planning out events

Senator Serna: had some students who did not know about events, lack of communication and how to get the word out more effectively

Advisor Cordova: plans for a digital messaging system that will be sent through messaging apps

President Mackey: suggested digital A-frames to save money on promoting; radio system on campus to advertise events

b. DISUSSION: Presentation on CalFresh Assistance & Resources for Students.

Motion sought by Vice President Moore to table Agenda item 12b until next meeting, motioned by Senator Ramirez, Seconded by Senator Jawad.

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

President Mackey on behalf of Director Griepsma: SSCCC Resolution Writing workshop via Zoom on Friday October 24th, 2025, via Zoom; Calendar invite was sent out with more info.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:57pm on October 22nd, 2025, by Vice President Moore