

BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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SENATE BODY

Wednesday, February 4th, 2026

4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

BCSGA Boardroom, Campus Cen

Meeting Zoom link: <https://kcccd-edu.zoom.us/j/87484152588?pwd=srbUXLnr4bvzeILH9zjGyVfLAZbLea>

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting called to order @ 4:13pm

2. ASCERTAINMENT OF QUORUM

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

VP Moore- Present

Senator Serena- Absent

Senator West - Present

Senator Perez -Present

Senator Jawad - Present

Senator Garcia - Present

Senator Hernandez-Excused

Senator Lara - Present

Senator Melchor- Present

7/9 quorum has been met; a bona fide meeting can be held.

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, January 21st, 2026.

Minutes has been accepted.

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.

5. 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. Resignation of Mr. Emiliano Serna from the position of BCSGA Senator-at-Large

LOR has been read and accepted

- b. Committee Changes

The Senate may make changes to committee or department assignments.

No changes at this time.

6. 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

Notice that all senators are online, glad everyone could make it, Vp Moore was unable to attend Town Hall last week because of an incident on campus with petitioners on campus

- b. Senators

Senator West- gov opps meeting info will be sent out, meeting will not happen tomorrow,

Notes:

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Senator Lara- was able to get with his team and host an event with a guest speaker coming onto campus, rundown of their experience on how politics work

Senator Melchor- Nothing to report

Senator Jawad- touch base on activities committee and the new events process

Senator Garcia- Exec. Meeting and committee was a bit rough but will get better

Senator Perez- last week met with Adv. Cordova and met with program director to help finish resolution, lockdown of main campus interrupted the pantry event

c. Campus Life Programming Board

Advisor Cordova- we have put together an event Monday feb. Night to teach students about Rawmadah, Wednesday Feb. 11 spring rush on main campus, Holiday closure next week, celebrating Valentine's Day as well next week, stay connected on social media for more events coming up, we do have a new protocol for planing events, details will be sent via Teams, Programing was prior only in charge of the final stage of an event now a 2 week notice is needed and planning stage happens 4 week prior

d. BCSGA Advisors (∞ mins.)

Last week has been high pressure and understanding most officers attending via zoom but hope to see officers in person next meeting, Confidential therapist are available to every student and info was sen via email to all BC students, Emergency planning will be review with BC Execs., BCSGA Election's is in full swing but closes on the 27th of Feb., a piece of the training wether you are running or not; #1 if you are running you must attend one meeting, #2 no BCSGA clothing or advertising can be used while running, #3 no defacing or vandalizing other candidates flyers or promotions, No one has permission to use any OSL or BCSGA services, #4 campaign cannot be held if confirmation has not been giving by OSL department, BCSGA should be knowledgeable of the rules for running in the elections of the BCSGA. Best way to get answers is to email: studentlife@bakersfieldcollege.edu

7. 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

President Mackey- Yesterday was a turning point for our student here on campus, students don't feel safe or are worried rightly so, I felt inclined to reach out to students in person today and I have a couple of statements from the students and pushing for extensive training to our faculty and staff and students. Students have reported that most faculty were not prepared for an emergency and needs to be addressed, students should not have to use a trash can in the corner as a bathroom, its our respoisnility to go out and reach our students and know their thoughts on matter such as this.

b. Department of Student Organizations

ICC meeting will be held on Arvin campus, form will be giving out to update meeting times in the new semester, proposition will be brought to next meeting to fast track a new resolution, Campus rush 11am-4pm, this an opportunity to bring in new people for the clubs on campus and will have some fun activities

c. Department of Legislative Affairs

Tabled for elections, advocated for DSPS students to get more funding for hotspots, KCCD to make sure that bc is compliant with emergency protocol collaborating with senators Gavin and Jawad with this, making an outline for a reoccurring event of roleplaying after the renaissance fair, silver platter event, continue to push online campaign, on coming workshop Feb 6th on 9+1

rights, students will learn their 9+1 rights and explore the rules. KCCD web link is not working at the moment.

d. Department of Finance

Budget committee, finance meeting info will be sent out soon aiming for march 2nd in the morning nothing solid yet, concerns for the lockdown procedures were very unsafe feeling, 2nd Pres. Mackey on more training is being need.

e. Department of Secretary

Updating the binders for all officers

f. KCCD Student Trustee

Absent

8. 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

Senator Jawad- a new form is available for professors to use in event that a student is joining the military

b. Accreditation & Institutional Quality Committee

Nothing to report

c. Assessment Committee

Nothing to report

d. Budget Committee

Discussion about convocation and commencement coming up, salary increase, more in depth review will happen next meeting

e. College Council

Nothing to report

f. Curriculum Committee

VP Moore- Not able to attend meeting

g. Equal Opportunity & Diversity Advisory Council (EODAC)

Last meeting did not meet quorum, Senator Perez was unable to make the meeting but will recap next meeting

h. Enrollment Committee

No report

i. Facilities & Sustainability Committee

Senator Perez- Meeting was held today going over the charge and making suggestion and planning any changes was most the meeting time. Double checked and BCSGA does have voting rights (2 votes)

j. Program Review Committee

Nothing to report

k. Safety Advisory Committee

Director Greipsma- nothing to report, gatherings topics and concerns from students to bring up in first meeting which is Pending and no date yet

***(Professional Development will be added next agenda)**

l. Technology Committee (TechCom)

Senator West- technology request overview, Librarians are asking for free printing to student, meeting times were discussed but will remain the same. Senator Garcia- March 2nd will be the next meeting

9. 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

Unable to do meetings on Wednesday anymore, will be adjusting the new meeting times.

- b. Committee on Advancement of Bakersfield College, Senator Perez

Nothing to report

- c. Committee on Government Operations, Senator West

Made major changes to the COBRA last year and have a few things set on the agenda for next meeting for details on the COBRA

10. FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION

The Senate shall read the legislation for the first time and then may choose to refer to committee.

- a. DISCUSSION: Expanding Medical Education, Housing, and Sustainable Community Health Through a UC Medical School Partnership with Bakersfield College

1st reading, Edits have been recommended and sent back for review and rewriting.

Director Greipsma- The resolution is addressed to KCCD Board of trustees is that correct or is this resolution meant to address Bakersfield College instead.

11. SECOND READING OF LEGISLATION

Legislation listed has already been read once on the Senate floor or approved for fast-track and thus are considered for approval by the Senate.

- a. DISCUSSION: Implementing A New Inclusive Emergency Light System on All Bakersfield College Campuses

2nd reading, questions on how the light would look, images were brought up to show a potential light systems, a deeper dive on searching for up to date products/ systems,

Roll call Voting for approval of resolution

Senator West - Aye

Senator Perez -Aye

Senator Jawad - Aye

Senator Garcia - Aye

Senator Lara - Aye

Senator Melchor- Aye

Vote is unanimous, “Implementing A New Inclusive Emergency Light System on All Bakersfield College Campuses” resolution has been approved

12. NEW BUSINESS

Items listed have not already been discussed and thus are considered for Senate consideration.

- a. DISCUSSION: SSCCC Resolution Process Presentation, Director Griepsma

Resolution process is ending. All senators are encouraged to push forward resolutions,

*Senator Perez moves to extend meeting time to 6:15pm

*Motion has been seconded by Senator West and Jawad

Going over SSCCC format as seen on the SSCCC website.

- b. DISCUSSION: Student and Safety Concerns about Petitioners on Campus

VP Moore- wanted to bring this to discussion prior to the lockdown.

President Mackey- petitioners are getting more and more aggressive towards our students

Director Brown- most petitioners are not checking in at OSL

Advisor Cordova- wants to push to ideas to lobby for change and maybe more restrictions on petitioners, even thought they are entitled to their first amendment rights. Protocol is in place for petitioners however it is not mandatory at this time. College safety is an option if students feel like they are being harassed or are being detained by petitioners.

*Motion to extend meeting to 6:25pm

Senator Lara- maybe implementing a badge system to give petitioners

Senator Perez – asking for clarification

President Mackey- the badge needs to be identifiable and distinct to BCSGA badges

Director G- petitioners are not likely to return and leave badge , another concern is that the petitioners may hold on to badges and bypass the sign in in future days.

Adv. C- looking at other campus is a good place to start and come up with ideas on how we can control the petitioners without violating anyone's rights. A focus on safety for our students the best way of looking at the issue with the petitioners

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

No announcement

14. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm