

# BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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## SENATE BODY

Wednesday, February 18th, 2026

4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

BCSGA Boardroom, Campus Cen

Meeting Zoom link: <https://kccd-edu.zoom.us/j/87484152588?pwd=srbUXLw4bzgILH9zjCjVjfl4ZbLea>

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### 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

4:07 pm

### 2. ASCERTAINMENT OF QUORUM

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

VP Moore -P

Senator Melchor -A

Senator Hernandez -A

Senator West -P

Senator P -p

Senator Garcia -P

Senator Jawad -P

Senator Lara -P

6/8 quorum has been met, a bonfide 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, February 4th, 2026.

Minutes has been reviewed and approved

### 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. Committee Changes  
*The Senate may make changes to committee or department assignments.*

President Mackey - still a vacancy for Curriculum committee

Senator P- who was previously on the committee?

President Mackey – Director Griepsma

Vp M- meetings are every other Thursday at 2:30-4:00 pm. Is anyone willing to fill the position

President M- will hold the seat until it is assigned to a senate that is available

### 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

Senators should not be afraid to speak up and are encouraged to voice their opinions and push items on the students behave

- b. Senators

Senator P- EODAC meeting two Fridays ago and attended campus rush, event with smoothly  
Senator W- Info sessions have had a couple students show up and also tabled campus rush and  
the campus wide painting seemed to be a great hit.

Senator J-did some community hours and got to hear students ask for pantry to increase their  
hours, elections info sessions have gone well, and the Ramadan event well great and thanks for  
helping out

Senator G- nothing to report

Senator L- noting to report

c. Campus Life Programming Board

Advisor Cordova- showing flyers for the elections, QR code will take you to the elections  
packets. New event “Spin to Win” is an opportunity for students to socialize with BCSGA all  
students are invited. Elections date will be changing to be on the same timeline with all KCCD  
and will move to April. Also inviting everyone to sign up for March in March by Feb. 20 @  
12pm. “How to start a student organization workshop” is also coming up. “Women’s history and  
more” a snapshot in time will highlight women that have left an impact on the world.  
“Renaissance Fair” will happen during spring filing March 25 @ 4-7pm. Director Brown is  
working on bring “Towns People” to talk about civil rights.

d. BCSGA Advisors (∞ mins.)

Advisor Cordova- hoping that everyone is taking care of themselves, booking link is on outlook  
and looking forward this semester

## 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

Looking into safety protocols and is demanding for better training and transparency. As president  
I have pushing students concerns to the head of the institution. When we are sitting in these  
spaces and need to voice the concerns of the students

b. Department of Student Organizations

Absent/Circled back

Next ICC meeting will happen this Friday @ Southwest Campus

c. Department of Legislative Affairs

Absent

d. Department of Finance

Nothing to report

e. Department of Secretary

Nothing to report

f. KCCD Student Trustee

## 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

Care for students that are in the military or at joining during the semester. Military Absence  
request Form draft has been made but in absence of some committee members this item got  
pushed to next meeting.

b. Accreditation & Institutional Quality Committee

RSI is the main focus and are making suggestions to Academic Senate committee, a rubric is  
being designed for hybrid classes

c. Assessment Committee

Nothing to report

d. Budget Committee

Nothing to report

- e. College Council

**Focus on providing training for staff and students**

- f. Curriculum Committee

**Generally going over courses and crn and updates are needed to be made and 86% of courses are named incorrectly**

**Notes:**

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- g. Equal Opportunity & Diversity Advisory Council (EODAC)

**Large portion of the meetings is echoing on safety and what other campuses have done in these scenarios. They have produced dates for conversations on Feb 24 value of campus diversity, March 24th and April 28th**

- h. Enrollment Committee

**Nothing to report**

- i. Facilities & Sustainability Committee

**Nothing to report**

- j. Program Review Committee

**Nothing to report**

- k. Safety Advisory Committee

**Nothing to report**

- l. Technology Committee (TechCom)

**Have not met**

**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

**Nothing to report**

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

**Nothing to report**

- c. Committee on Government Operations, Senator West

**New time for Gov Ops meeting and will finalize soon. Items on agenda is review of the COBRA, and ironing out the disciplinary portion of the cobra.**

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

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

- a. DISCUSSION: Physical or Digital Reference Binders for Student Government Officers

**Pros and cons were weighted and a roll call poll has be made**

**VP Moore – Physical**

Senator West - Digital  
Senator P - Digital  
Senator Garcia - Digital  
Senator Jawad - Physical  
Santor Lara – Digital  
Dire Griepsma - Digital  
Dire Dirden - Digital  
President Mackey – Physical  
6/9 in favor for Digital only

b. DISCUSSION: Student Services Program Sticker Presentation, Director Dirden

Changes to sticker colors and requirements, guidelines, team and department roles on what category they will be tracking.

Director of Org- club based points

Director of Finance- monthly audits & logs events

President & VP- approve Red/Gold tier each semester

Senators- sign in sheets points

QR codes will be used to track and scan points and a sign in on Microsoft Forms will be included.

Senator J- how will student update their status on a daily basis

Director D- fleshing out the program is something that is still be worked on in the next finance meeting

Senator J- where is the color showing up?

Director D- the office will hand out a physical sticker and it is tracked online

Senator J- is this the same sticker that is the student services sticker?

Director D- yes, it is the same one

Director G- would some task of tracking be passed on to the Campus Life Board Programing since they handle events.

Senator W- the colors are finalized, correct? Some language is not clear on perks between red and gold.

Director G- how is the setup of getting the colors on order or can you receive them in any order

President M- the sticker is setup to graduate from tier to tier.

Senator J- is the GPA still 3.0?

Director D- yes the presentation is just an example.

Senator West- Motion to extend time 6:10pm

Senator Perez- I second

Motion has been passed, meetings time will extend to 6:10pm

c. DISCUSSION: Student Safety and Transparency Concerns on Campus

VP M- the forum that was held had poor advertising and few students were able to attended.

President M- when it comes to dealing with trauma the school is trying to offer help with one on one therapy and the best thing we can do is keep the channel open.

Secretary Mendez- how are we handling the event and having some Bcsga members attend to pass on the information that was giving to the larger student body

Advisor Cordova- Briefly collaborate with BC to get the event going and offered to help in the future with these events and collect the information to put into language more accessible to students

President M- it is up to us to advertise these types of events

Secretary M- moving forward how can we ensure information can be sent out quickly with out it being premature

Senator P- solution could be to send out a message thru canvas

VP M- coming up with a way to communicate with all students

Senator G- the event was not sent via text message, but the lockdown warranted a Tex message so should the event after the fact

President M- what is for sure is that training is needed to keep everyone on the same page following the same procedure.

**11. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

No announcements

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

6:09 pm