

BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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SENATE BODY

Wednesday, July 15, 2026

4:00 - 6:00 p.m. BCSGA Boardroom, Campus Center

Meeting Zoom link: <https://kccd-edu.zoom.us/j/87120624545>

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

At this time, we invite those who wish to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance to please rise. Participation is voluntary. Anyone who prefers not to participate may remain seated. We recognize the Pledge of Allegiance as a unifying civic tradition and a practice commonly observed in governmental meetings across the country. Thank you for respecting the choices of others as we begin.

3. **ASCERTAINMENT OF QUORUM**

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

5 out of 7 senators were present

4. **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, June 17 and Wednesday, July 1.

The meeting minutes were approved.

5. **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 comments.

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 will be dismissed if missing a Senate meeting becomes a recurring thing.
- b. Senators
Senator Warren is working on physical wellness resolution.
- c. BCSGA Advisors (∞ mins.)

7. **ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO INTERNAL STANDING COMMITTEES**

The Senate may elect a Chairperson of each Senate Internal Standing Committees. The Senate may consider the character, professional competence, physical or mental health, or other matters permissible, of certain individuals during consideration of this position. Then, the Senate will consider a binding resolution to appoint a senator as the Senate Officer established by the BCSGA Cobra.

- a. Election for Senate Members for Government Operations Committee

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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- b. Election for Senate Members for Advancement Committee
- c. Election for Senate Members for Academic Affairs Committee

Senator Alvarado become the senate member of academic affairs committee, votes were in her favor.

8. DIRECT REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE

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. Report from Chairperson of Academic Affairs Committee, Senator Gilford
- b. Report from Chairperson of Advancement Committee, Senator Alvarado
Meeting will be on august 25 at 10 am.
- c. Report from Chairperson of Government Operations Committee, Senator Ayala
Senator warren gave a proposal to amid cobras. THE LAST SESSION wanted people to have to use AI to create a syllabus for their classes, and he mentioned that. He mentioned doing student parent help. The last session left us with some work and went over to see how they are responsible for laws. The chair wants to do a formal process for electing BCSGA. Teachers have been seen using cigarettes, whereas this is a smoke free campus. Making sure all the addition are added to the new cobra when it needs approved .

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
- b. Department of Legislative Affairs
- c. Department of Finance
- d. Department of Student Organizations
- e. KCCD Student Trustee

10. APPOINTMENT OF SENATORS TO PARTICIPATORY GOVERNANCE COMMITTEES

Pursuant to chapter 2, section 04(f) of the BCSGA COBRA, the BCSGA President shall appoint currently enrolled students and officers to serve on Bakersfield College participatory governance committees. The Senate will consider a binding resolution confirming the appointments with the respective committees. Participatory governance committee representatives serve as the official student voice in college governance and are responsible for representing student interests, attending committee meetings, and providing both written and oral reports to the Senate in accordance with Chapter 2, Section 04(g) of the BCSGA COBRA. The Senate may consider the qualifications, availability, experience, and other matters permissible under the California Brown Act when considering appointments. Pursuant to the Brown Act, deliberation and action on appointments shall occur in open sessions.

- a. Appointment of Senators to Participatory Governance committees

11. NEW BUSINESS

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

- a. DISCUSSION: Executive Leadership Operating System (ELOS) Rollout: Shared Governance, Committee Representation, and Reporting Standards
ELOS is designed, so that in every committee meeting, you can use it as a template and fill in the blanks to help u with what is happening during the committee meeting.
- b. DISCUSSION: CSU, Bakersfield: Challenge Course Team Bonding Training Recap from Participants

Everyone said it was a great learning experience, cheering each other and learning how to help each other. Advisor Miss Cordova mentioned that next time we can think of an idea without physical involved. Everyone gave different ideas.

- c. DISCUSSION: Email signature set-up for BCSGA Officers
- d. DISCUSSION: The process of writing resolutions and the tools in MS Teams to support you
 - The Senate will receive guidance on the process for drafting resolutions and using MS Teams to support Senate work

Senate resolution template is in teams under documents. Right now, we are saving it there. Later on, it needs to be saved under the committee you are working with.

- e. DISCUSSION: Upcoming campus-wide events
 - New Student Convocation, Renegade Nights, Student Involvement Fair, and Weeks of Welcome

We plan on recruiting more senators at the student convocation; it will be on August 18. Renegade nights are when services are open beyond business hours, so that students can come in anytime. Renegade night will be after the student's convocation. From 12-4 on renegade night, we will be helping students find their classrooms. Sep 3, student orgs come to student involvement fair. The first and second week of school is a week of welcome; we will have different activities. We will point students to their classrooms.

- f. 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. S.B Appropriations Bill for the BCSGA Annual Budget (FY27)

We passed and fast track the cobra. The correction from annual budget to cobra was made during live senate meeting.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

On Saturday, September 19 7 am-10 am, MADD is during an event, they wanted bcsga to table over there.

13. ADJOURNMENT