BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

1801 Panorama Drive, BCSGA Boardroom | Bakersfield, California 93305

SENATE BODY

November 09, 2026 **3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.** **BCSGA Boardroom, Campus Center**

Meeting Zoom link: https://kccd-edu.zoom.us/j/87484152588?pwd=srbUXLw4bvzeILH9zfGyVfL4ZbLead.1

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Senate may present the Pledge of Allegiance. Any present members may host and participate in the Pledge of Allegiance. If no members are willing to host the Pledge, this item on the agenda may be skipped. No present members may be called out or reprimanded for not participating in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ASCERTAINMENT OF QUORUM

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

4. CORRECTIONS TO THE MINUTES

The Body will discuss and correct minutes from previous meetings.

a. The Body will consider the approval of minutes from the meeting held on Wednesday, September 23, 2026.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

This segment of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the Body 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 Body 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)

a. Campus Leadership Dialogue with Vice President of Instruction, Jessica Wojtysiak concerning instructional matters, student success, and opportunities for greater collaboration between the administration and student government.

6. RECEIPT OF CORRESPONDENCE TO THE SENATE

The Senate will present received communications. No action will be taken on communications, other than referring to committee. The Senate may make changes to committee or department assignments.

a. Resignation of VP Zaina Jawad
b. Resignation of Senator Pro-Tempore Sa'kai Gilford
c. Parliamentarian Advisory Opinion on the Vacancy of the Office of the VP

7. ELECTION OR APPOINTMENTS OF 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 the Brown Act during consideration of this item. Under the Brown Act, the meeting may not be closed.

a. Election of a Chair for the purpose of continuing the presiding Senate meeting. If no nominations are made, the current chair will commence the remainder of the said meeting.
b. Appointment of Emely Chavez for the position of BCSGA Justice
c. Appointment of Roujeh Alzaher for the position of BCSGA Senator-at-Large
d. Review of BCSGA President's Nominations for BCSGA Vice President Appointment: Senator Gerrardo Herrera and Senator John Korcok
e. The Senate shall nominate and elect the BCSGA Vice President to the Office of the Vice President
f. The Senate shall elect the Senate Pro-Tempore and the Chairperson to the Senate Committee on Academic Affairs

Agendas are posted 72 hours before the meetings commence in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act. Actions may not be taken on the matters considered during this period until specifically included on an agenda as an "Action Item". Agendas are posted at the BCSGA bulletin board in front of the Bakersfield College Campus Center and online at www.bakersfieldcollege.edu/campus-life/bcsga. If you would like to request a copy of any of the agenda items or supporting materials listed, please contact the Office of Student Life at (661) 395-4614 or studentlife@bakersfieldcollege.edu.

BCSGA supports providing equal access to all programs for people with disabilities. Reasonable efforts will be made to provide accommodations to people with disabilities attending the meeting. Please call the Office of Student Life at (661) 395-4614 as soon as possible to arrange for appropriate accommodation.

8. OATH OF OFFICE

The Parliamentarian (or Vice President, if absent) shall administer the oath of office for all newly appointed positions or elected officers.

9. 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 (3) minutes, save the advisor who has infinite time.

a. Vice President
b. Parliamentarian
    a. Accountability of the Membership
        i. Reports
        ii. Office Hours
        iii. Petition for Missed Hours
        iv. Unexcused/Excused Absences
c. BCSGA Senators
d. BCSGA Advisors (∞ mins)

10. APPOINTMENT OF SENATORS TO BCSGA INTERNAL COMMITTEES

The Senate will recommend members to each of the BCSGA Internal Committees. Then, the Senate will appoint senators as members to the BCSGA department established by the BCSGA COBRA. The senate may consider the character, professional competence, physical or mental health, or other matters permissible under the California Brown Act, of certain individuals during considerations of this item. Under the brown act, the senate may not close the meeting.

a. BCSGA Internal Committee Changes
b. Appointment of Senators to BCSGA Internal Committee Changes

11. APPOINTMENT OF SENATORS TO DEPARTMENTS

The Senate will recommend members to each of the BCSGA departments. Then, the Senate will appoint senators as members to the BCSGA department established by the BCSGA COBRA. The senate may consider the character, professional competence, physical or mental health, or other matters permissible under the California Brown Act, of certain individuals during considerations of this item. Under the brown act, the senate may not close the meeting.

a. BCSGA Department on Finance
b. BCSGA Department on Legislative Affairs
c. BCSGA Department on Student Organizations

12. 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. 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 character, professional competence, physical or mental health, or other matters permissible under the California Brown Act, of certain individuals during considerations of this item. Under the brown act, the senate may not close the meeting.

a. Academic Senate
b. AIQC
c. Assessment Committee
d. Budget Committee.
e. College Council
f. Enrollment Management Committee
g. EODAC
h. Facilities and Sustainability
i. TechCom
j. Professional Development
k. Program Review
l. Safety Advisory Committee

13. REPORTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

The Chair shall recognize the Executive Officers and Departments to report for no longer than three (3) minutes on the activities since the previous meeting.

a. Office of the President

b. Department of Student Organizations
c. Department of Legislative Affairs
d. Department of Finance
e. Department of Secretary
f. Elections Commission
g. KCCD Student Trustee

14. REPORTS FROM THE PARTICIPATORY GOVERNANCE COMMITTEES

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

a. Report from Academic Senate
b. Report from AIQC
c. Report from Assessment Committee
d. Report from the Budget Committee.
e. Report from College Council
f. Report from EODAC
g. Report from Facilities and Sustainability
h. Report from TechCom
i. Report from Professional Development
j. Report from Program Review
k. Report from the Safety Advisory Committee.

15. FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION

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

a. DISCUSSION: Senate Resolution: Oppose any further reallocation of library space or use of library space as "swing space"

16. FAST-TRACK LEGISLATION

A Senator may move legislation to be considered for fast-track at this meeting, moving legislation directly from first reading to second reading.

a. ACTION ITEM: Consideration of Fast-Track for Senate Resolution Senate Resolution: Oppose any further reallocation of library space or use of library space as "swing space"

17. SECOND READING OF LEGISLATION

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

a. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM: Senate Resolution: Oppose any further reallocation of library space or use of library space as "swing space"

18. NEW BUSINESS

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

a. DISCUSSION: Senate discuss on Campus Leadership Dialogue with Vice President of Instruction Dr. Jessica Wojtysiak.
b. ACTION ITEM: Consideration of Further Senate Engagement and Potential Assignment to a BCSGA Internal Committee.

19. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair shall recognize in turn BCSGA Officers requesting the floor for a period not to exceed one (1) minute.

a. SSCCC Advocacy Academy | December 4–6| As of November 5, the delegation is departing at December 3 at 11:00 AM
Advisor, Dr. D will accompany selected student government leaders to Santa Clara for leadership and advocacy training with student leaders from across California.

20. ADJOURNMENT