

# BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thursday, September 17,  
2015

5:15 to 6:15 P.M.

SGA Executive Board Room

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**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER\***

The meeting was called to order by Senator Sanchez at 5:26 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL\***

*A two-thirds quorum must be established to hold a bonafide meeting*

The following members were present: Senator Sanchez, Senator Nichelson, Senator Graves, Senator Chavez, and Nicky Damania, Ph.D.

The following members were absent: Senator Zavala

The following members were excused: none

2/3 quorum was met, thus a bonafide meeting was held.

**3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

*The Committee will discuss this agenda and may choose to amend or edit the agenda. Upon conclusion of the discussion the Committee may choose to adopt the agenda.*

- a. It was moved by Senator Chavez and seconded by Senator Graves to adopt the agenda for Thursday, September 17, 2015.

**Discussion:** No further discussion occurred.

The motion passed by majority vote of "aye" through voice vote.

**4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

*The Committee will discuss those minutes and may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion the Committee may choose to adopt the minutes.*

- a. It was moved by Senator Chavez and seconded by Senator Graves to adopt the minutes from August 27, 2015.

**Discussion:** No further discussion occurred.

The motion passed by majority vote of "aye" through voice vote.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT\***

*The Chair may elect to take public comment on any action items on this agenda. The Chair may impose reasonable limits on the length members of the public may speak which is stated before comment commence.*

- a. There were no comments made by the public.

**6. INDIVIDUAL REPORTS**

*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 five minutes.*

- a. Chair, *Senator Sanchez*: Thank you all for being here.

- b. BCSGA Advisor, *Dr. Damania*: No report given.

**7. OLD BUSINESS**

*Items listed in this agenda item have already been read or discussed once and thus are considered for approval of the committee*

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**8. NEW BUSINESS**

*Items listed in this agenda item have not already been read or discussed once and thus are considered for approval of the committee*

- a. It was moved by Senator Graves and seconded by Senator Chavez to approve **ACTION ITEM:** Allocation of funds in the amount of \$2000.00 for the purchase of a canopy for the Renegade Stage for Campus Center TB150: Campus Center Fee

**Notes:**

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**Discussion:** It was discussed that the canopy is the covering for the stage area found near the cafeteria area, and it is to be used for present and future events. It was expressed that there have been general quotes provided, but not for the specific dimensions of the canopy and for who will build it. There was expressed concern in that the committee was not completely sure that the full price of the installation and purchase of the canopy would be \$2000, but it was reminded that the allocation allows the process to occur for each Director to purchase their required items as need be. If it did cost more than \$2000, then the committee would be asked of again to approve the final remaining allocation if they agree. But if not, then the canopy could already be purchased since some quotes are time based. The Senators voted as follows:

Senator Graves- Yes

Senator Chavez- Yes

Senator Nicholson- Yes

The voting was tallied as follows: 3 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain.

The main motion passed by majority vote through roll call vote.

- b. It was moved by Senator Chavez and seconded by Senator Nicholson to approve **ACTION ITEM:** Allocation of funds in the amount of \$1500.00 for the purchase of a BCSGA Tent for the for Campus Center TB150: Campus Center Fee

**Discussion:** It was discussed that the BCSGA tent would be similar to the other mobile pop-up tents. It was discussed that the price for one tent would be less than \$900. Additionally, the allocation being asked for would allow for the purchase of more than one tent.

The Senators voted as follows:

Senator Graves- Yes

Senator Chavez- Yes

Senator Nicholson- Yes

The voting was tallied as follows: 3 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain.

The main motion passed by majority vote through roll call vote.

- c. It was moved by Senator Graves and seconded by Senator Chavez to approve **ACTION ITEM:** Allocation of funds in the amount of \$1000.00 for the purchase of a mity-lite tables for Campus Center TB150: Campus Center Fee

**Discussion:** It was discussed that the mity-lite tables are the 6 foot long tables. The allocation is for the purchase of several tables, and *not* the cost of \$1000 for one table. It was expressed by a committee member that they are aware that BCSGA has at least 20 tables, but some do have wear and tear. Unless these were some sort of “fancy” tables, then it might be in the better interest to find cheaper tables, or to not allocate it. It was explained that in example of the past home football game, it was still very difficult to obtain tables that BCSGA has already purchased. So by allocating these funds, it allows the association to have access to tables already stored in the pantry instead of spending a lot of time in waiting and trying to obtain tables when it is in a time of crucial need.

The Senators voted as follows:

Senator Nicholson- Yes

Senator Chavez- Yes

Senator Graves- Yes

The main motion passed by majority vote through roll call vote.

- d. It was moved by Senator Chavez and seconded by Senator Nicholson to approve **ACTION ITEM:** Allocation of funds in the amount of \$\$3,425.93 for the purchase of an Anchor Beacon Portable Sound System for the Renegade Stage for Campus Center TB150: Campus Center Fee

**Discussion:** It was addressed by Director Espinoza that the purpose of purchasing another portable speaker system is because in a recent previous event there was a clear issue in obtaining a speaker that could be transmitted at the rally. Additionally, it seems very necessary when there are two events occurring at the same time and both need a speaker system. It was further explained that this speaker system has a Bluetooth feature. A committee member expressed a concern in that it could be just a

scheduling issue, or whether or not it is actually necessary to invest in a speaker system at the moment. Also, that to make sure that these purchases are very much in mind of the benefit of the student body, and to be very cautious in the allocation of funds. It was addressed by another member that the purpose of these allocations is for the purchase of items for a long-term purpose and not just a short-term.

The Senators voted as follows:

Senator Nicholson- Yes

Senator Chavez- Yes

Senator Graves- Yes

The main motion passed by majority vote through roll call vote.

## 9. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS\*

*The Chair shall recognize in turn Officers requesting the floor for a period not to exceed three minutes. The total time for Comments and Announcements before the first reading of legislation shall not exceed fifteen minutes.*

- a. Senator Graves: I am very happy with the manner in which these items were discussed and how they were considered. Additionally that we can provide these items for the benefit of longevity and of the students. I just ask that this committee take to heart that this is real money, and to take into account the purpose of what we are doing.

## 10. PUBLIC COMMENT\*

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- a. Director Lyons: I just want to thank Senator Graves for posing the right questions when regarding these matters and allocations. It shows that the members are really taking into consideration all aspects of how this will affect short-term and long-term.
- b. Nicky Damania, Ph.D.: It is very important that all senators do ask those important questions to make sure that all information is clear as to why, how, and what is being purchased/allocation. It does seem extravagant, but I very much appreciate that the committee has approved these allocations. I did forget to mention earlier that the purpose of the new sound system is to replace our current old one, and so that we could use one for the Delano campus as we are trying very much to incorporate all events over there as well.
- c. Senator Chavez: I want to bring up to the committee, as a form of asking where to redirect this idea, that there is a need to incorporate a 24 hour study room on campus. This room would not include any electronics, only outlets to charge items that students bring, and that can still use the campus internet connection. (The senator was redirected to take the item to the Committee on Advancement.)

## 11. ADJOURNMENT

- a. It was moved by Senator Graves and seconded by Senator Chavez.

**Discussion:** No further discussion occurred.

The meeting was adjourned by Senator Sanchez at 6:03 p.m.