

BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 16, 2016

5:15 to 6:00 P.M.

Executive Board Room

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER*

The meeting was called to order by Senator Sanchez at 11:13 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL*

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

The following members were present: Senator Sanchez, Director Mendoza, Senator Graves, Senator Chavez, Senator Nicholson, and Advisor Damania.

The following members were absent: none

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. Senator Sanchez sought any objections to adopting the agenda for Thursday, February 16, 2016.

Discussion: No further discussion occurred.

In seeing no objections, the agenda was adopted.

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 Director Mendoza and seconded by Senator Graves to postpone the adoption of the minutes from February 11, 2016.

Discussion: It was addressed that the minutes were not yet ready.

Senator Sanchez sought any objections to the main motion. In seeing none, the item was postponed for the next meeting.

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

Notes:

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7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

- a. There were no items to be considered under old business.

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 Nicholson approve the allocation of \$3150.00 from TA100-CCA Grant for the registration of 21 students to the BCCCC Conference
Discussion: It was addressed that under the eligibility of the CCA grant, it must be an office, department, or service from Bakersfield College that is not funded by the Office of Student Life or BCSGA, whereas this group does not meet any of those qualifications. It was also addressed that the BCSGA Department on Student Organizations had already made an exception to WECOMM for a prior grant, as well as having reached their \$1000 limit if they were looking to apply for a SOF grant. It was further expressed that it is in the best interest of the committee to not set an example that seems as though BCSGA is favoring WECOMM or other students. A member of the committee expressed that it is also not in the best interest of BCSGA to set a precedent in that the association is funding an interest group. Additionally, the committee had discussed the “rights” and “wrongs” of the policy to approve the allocation. It had been rebutted that it is a conference to better the student’s professionalism, that the previous Chancellor was going to be speaking, and that this was an unequivocal experience for the students wanting to attend. It was then countered that the request first given stated that the students were to be volunteers, but at this meeting they were posed as being conference attendees. As such, it was questioned how the volunteers would fully benefit. If the students are to be volunteers, then it would seem fit for the Black Caucus to fund their attendance instead. If the students are to be attendees, then it might be fit for BCSGA to fund their attendance. But it was then expressed that it is not WECOMM and some BC students attending, but that it is now just regular students looking to attend. This particular conversation further made the allocation request unclear. It was also expressed that this request is very close to the conference date and it was still unclear why it was so late. If what would have been the “club’s” request and their fail safes did not work, then notice should have been given far more in advance to help remediate the issue.

**** It was moved by Senator Nicholson to move to the previous question. There was no second and the motion died.****

****It was moved by Senator Chavez and seconded by Director Mendoza to move to the previous question, such that discussion ends.**

Discussion: It was expressed by Senator Graves that further discussion is necessary for this item. Other members felt that the discussion had been exhausted and they are ready to vote.

The members voted as follows:

Senator Graves- No

Senator Chavez- Yes

Senator Nicholson- Yes

Director Mendoza- Yes

The motion passed by majority vote of yes, with the votes tallied as 3-1-0, and discussion was terminated to go straight into a roll call vote for the allocation.**

The members voted as follows:

Senator Graves- Yes

Senator Chavez- No

Senator Nicholson- No

Director Mendoza- No

2/3 majority was not met, with the votes tallied as 3-1-0, and the allocation was not approved.

- b. Review of Finance Department’s structure.
 - i. Bill titled, “Finance Department Revisions Amendment.”

Discussion: It was addressed that the senate bill looking to be submitted to the Senate body is about making the committee on finance become a department, and to make the Director on Finance become the chair of the department. It is currently not on the Senate's agenda, but it will hopefully be passed through following meetings to come.

****It was moved by Senator Chavez and seconded by Senator Nicholson to suspend the orders of the day and move to item 11. Adjournment.**

Discussion: No further discussion occurred.

Senator Sanchez sought any objections to the main motion. In seeing none, the motion carried.**

9. ADJOURNMENT

a. It was moved by Senator Graves and seconded by Senator Chavez to adjourn the meeting.

Discussion: No further discussion occurred.

Senator Sanchez sought any objections to the main motion. In seeing none, the meeting was adjourned at 11:29 a.m.