

BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Monday, March 6th, 2017

3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Executive Boardroom

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the chair, Director Zavala, at 3:34 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL*

A majority quorum must be established to hold a bonafide meeting

The following members were present: Director Zavala and Senator Montero-Garcia.

The following members were absent: Senator Cooper

The following members were excused: None

2/3 members were present, quorum has been established, and a bonafide meeting can be held.

3. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

The Body will consider any amendments to the agenda.

Seeing no amendment to the agenda, the agenda has been adopted as is.

Director Zavala moved to approve the amendments to the agenda, seconded by Senator Montero-Garcia. The motion passes.

4. CORRECTIONS TO THE MINUTES

The Body will discuss and correct minutes from previous meetings.

- a. The Body will consider the approval of unapproved minutes from the meeting held on Monday, November 21st, 2016.

Director Zavala: Under Item 8.a for Discussion, at the end of the sentence after “\$35,000.00” is said, the word “stain” should be corrected to “strain.” Under Item 9.a. for Discussion when Senator Cooper is speaking, the word “consistence” should be corrected to “consistency.”

Director Zavala moved to approve the corrected minutes for November 21st, 2016, seconded by Senator Montero-Garcia. The motion passes.

- b. The Body will consider the approval of unapproved minutes from the meeting held on Monday, January 23rd, 2017.

Seeing no corrections to the minutes, the minutes will be approved as is.

Director Zavala moved to approve the minutes for January 23rd, 2017, seconded by Senator MonteroGarcia. The motion passes.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT*

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None.

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, *Director Zavala*

As you may or may not be aware of, this semester will begin with the BCSGA election for new BCSGA officers and senators. This means our term is coming to a close and I would like to finish all of our immediate task before then, as for the new term I will be re-running for this position as the Director of the Finance Department. I am hoping that by the end of this semester, we will have

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completed our evaluation of the free GETBus passes for students, that way we can place it on the ballot to be voted on.

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

7. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be non-controversial by the Body and will be enacted by one motion without discussion unless a member of the Body calls an item(s) for a separate vote. Items called into question from the Body will be considered after the conclusion of new business.

- a. ACTION ITEM: Approval of BCSGA/KVC Appeal Gelonnie Madrid Declined.
- b. ACTION ITEM: Approval of BCSGA/KVC Appeal Patricia Ruiz Declined.
- c. ACTION ITEM: Approval of BCSGA/KVC Appeal Norma Gonzalez Declined.
- d. ACTION ITEM: Approval of BCSGA/KVC Appeal Emmalyn Tuhin Declined.
- e. ACTION ITEM: Approval of BCSGA/KVC Appeal Breana Bingham Declined.
- f. ACTION ITEM: Approval of BCSGA/KVC Appeal Danielle Tipton Declined.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Items listed have already been discussed once and thus are considered for approval by the Body

- a. Review of the: "Student Fee Handbook" Discussion:

Director Zavala: We will first begin with the discussion of the mandatory student identification card fee, under the guidelines of the fee it is prohibited for the administration to charge students for an I.D. card, however this does not prohibit them from offering I.D. cards for free. We at BC do not charge for the BC I.D., however, if we were allowed to charge, we could offer benefits including discounts at the bookstore and earlier registration dates. Next we will discuss fees charged through student organizations, which states that organizations cannot charge fees through the student body if the student body has no power to levy those fees, also a student organization can charge an optional activity fees so long as they state it is optional to their members, it is stated within their club's constitution and is approved by BCSGA. Next is the provisions on field trips, it states that the District is prohibited from charging students participating in a field trip a fee if its purpose is intended to be used for planning the trip or paying for district equipment, such as gasoline or transportation. However it is permitted to charged students if the money is to be used for food and lodging and other incidental expenses. It is also prohibited for students to be denied from participating in a field trip if they cannot pay a fee, this is true for both required and optional field trips. Only students participating in the field trip can be charged a fee if there is one. Next is the mandatory fee for use of practice rooms, which states that colleges are given the freedom the build practice rooms funded by the students through an optional fee for free reign and use by students; this is separate from a school's facility, which is paid for by the District. Next is the Technology fee, this fee pays for student's use of the internet, email, computer labs and computers. This fee paid for all but 2% of the computers on campus, the remainder can be

charged to students as an optional fee so long as those students are required to use the technology for their courses. However this is prohibited if the district receives state funding. Next we have the Late Payment Fee, which is related to the enrollment fee. The enrollment fee must be paid at the time of enrollment by students, however in the event that it is not paid before students are enrolled, the district is allowed to withhold grades and transcripts from said student. If the student still does not pay their fees, the chancellor's office may charge additional fees. Next is cleaning fees, which state that a flat fee is charged to students who do not keep their chemistry lockers clean. If the locker is damaged, the fee will still be charged, though in most cases students will not be charged regardless; it is optional. Next, breakage fees are

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charged to students if an accident occurs which damages district equipment within the chemistry department. The purpose is so that the district can reimburse the money to pay for new replacements. If students ever damage district property on purpose, the district will seek disciplinary action if necessary. And finally, the transportation fee, we have discussed this fee thoroughly as it pertains to the GETBus which may allow students of Bakersfield College to get a free GETBus pass. In order to accomplish this goal, we would need an accurate number from GETBus on the total cost, as well as a way to collect fees from students if this ever comes to fruition. We would have to have this put onto the ballot for the upcoming election if we want to make this a reality, as well as contact public safety and any other departments that would be involved with this.

9. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS*

The Chair shall recognize in turn BCSGA Senators 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.

None.

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11. ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

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