

BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Tuesday, August 11, 2015

5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m

BCSGA Executive Boardroom

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER*

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Senator Herndon, at 5:06 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL*

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

The following members were present: Senator Herndon, Senator Zavala, and Senator Galvez

The following members were absent: Senator Philley

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 Herndon sought any objections to the adoption of the agenda.

Discussion: There was no further discussion.

There were no objections to the adoption of the agenda made by the committee members, such that 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. There were no minutes to be considered by the committee.

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 Herndon*: Thanks to all who came to the first meeting.
- b. BCSGA Advisor, *Dr. Damania*: Recall that the purpose of this committee is to ensure that all of the internal processes of BCSGA is adequate, are in working orders, and to review the COBRA such that BCSGA is operating according to the COBRA.

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

- a. There were no items under old business for the committee to consider.

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. Senator Herndon opened up nominations for appointments of Vice-Chair to the Committee of Government Operations.

Discussion:

Notes:

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Senator Herndon nominated Senator Galvez to the appointment of Vice-Chair.

Discussion: Senator Galvez accepted the nomination.

i. It was moved by Senator Galvez and seconded by Senator Zavala to approve the appointment of Senator Galvez to Vice-Chair to the Committee of Government Operations.

Discussion: There was no further discussion.

The votes were as follows:

Senator Galvez: Yes

Senator Zavala: Yes

The vote was tallied as follows: 2 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain.

The motion passed.

b. BCSGA Deans' Liaisons for Committee on Academic Affairs

Discussion: It was expressed that the document amends Title 3, chapter 4, section 3, subsection a. of the COBRA which addresses the minimum and maximum requirements on the number of members that must be on a committee. The reason that Director Lyons was pushing this amendment is for the committee on Academic Affairs to have large amount of Senators on the committee. The committee on Academic Affairs corresponds to 9 deans on campus, and there is a need for Senators to be assigned as a liaison to each one of them. As such, the amendment would have COBRA read "Each committee shall be composed of at least three but not to exceed nine members unless prescribed by the Senate. An exception to shall be the Standing Committee on Academic Affairs which will be composed of at least 7 members". It was expressed that the previous BCSGA session had senators who corresponded to certain deans, or departments, on campus, where the senators would provide a report to Senate. This has been replaced by instead of providing reports to Senate, the reports and issues of students pertaining to academics will be given specifically to Academic Affairs. There was only 2 senators on the committee, and it was clear that there must be more committee members such that each department is equally represented. But it was suggested that the appropriate amendment should be to the charge for the Standing Committee, which is Title 3, chapter 4, section 4, subsection a, item 1, since the change is specifically for that committee to have 7 members, and not changing the general rule of how many members each committee must have.

c. It was moved by Senator Zavala and seconded by Senator Galvez to table Review of COBRA 101.01
Discussion: It was addressed for the Senators to come into the next meeting with any markups from reading all of Title 1.

There were no objections to tabling the item. As such, Review of COBRA 101.01 was tabled.

d. It was moved by Senator Zavala and seconded by Senator Galvez to table Review of COBRA 202.01 through 202.05

Discussion: It was addressed for the Senators to come into the next meeting with any markups from reading Title 2, sections 1 through 5.

There were no objections to tabling the item. As such, Review of COBRA 101.01 was tabled.

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 Herndon: 5 p.m. will be the time for the rest of our biweekly meetings for this committee.

10. 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.

11. ADJOURNMENT

a. It was moved by Senator Galvez and seconded by Senator Zavala to adjourn the meeting.

Discussion: There was no further discussion.

Senator Herndon adjourned the meeting at 5:43 p.m.