



Associated Student Government

Agenda

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Associated Student Government of Barstow Community College (ASG of BCC) will hold regular meetings on the First and Third Wednesday of every month from 12:00pm through 1:00pm in the Game Room unless otherwise posted. All meetings will be presided over by the ASG President.

The ASG of BCC reserves the right to amend the agenda at any time.

Date: 10/15/14

Time: 12:03pm

Location: Game Room

Call to Order:

I. Roll Call / Sign In

- Director of Student Life and Development: Joann Garcia – Present
- Faculty Advisor: Ibrahim Aboud – Present
- ASG President: Madelynn Mitchell – Present
- Vice President: Tyler Osejo – Present
- Treasurer: Maricela Angulo – Present
- Secretary: Sean White – Present
- Senator of Academic Affairs: N/A
- Senator of Communications: Tresse White – Present
- Senator of Arts and Humanities: N/A
- Senator of Health and Environment: Iolani Elisara – Present
- Senator of Student Services: Clemente Rodarte – Present
- Senator of Fort Irwin: Kris Mintun – Present
- Senator of Athletics: Kathryn Mendez – Present
- Senator of Career Technical Education: Neil Navarro – Tardy
- District 9 Representative: Wayne Brown – Present
- Student Trustee: Sophia Manzanares – Present

II. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes:

Move: **Ms. Mendez** 2nd: **Mr. Rodarte**

III. Calendar:

- Tomorrow is College and University Day from 11am to 1pm.
- The PTK Blood Drive is October 23rd in the lower parking lot.
- The Mardi Gras Parade is on Saturday, October 25th.

IV. Items of Business:

A. Senate approval for Kris Mintun to switch from Senator of Ft. Irwin to Senator of Arts and Humanities.

i. **Unanimous Aye, No Objections, No Abstentions**

V. Approval of Expenses:

A. Approval of club expenditures for Native American Club for their Halloween Fair.

- i. Candy from Food 4 Less. Not to exceed \$50.00.
- ii. Cash Box. Not to exceed \$75.00.

B. Approval of club expenditures for Native American Club to purchase remaining club members' ASG Stickers. Not to exceed \$40.00.

C. Approval of expenses for generic shirts from Print n' Play. Not to exceed \$200.00.

Move: **Mr. Mintun** 2nd: **Ms. Mendez**

VI. Officer Reports:

(Limited to 3 Minutes Each)

- ASG President Mitchell – **Everyone is aware of the elephant in the room. Please note all ASG and school regulations before putting your name on any document, that is extremely important and that is something that definitely needs to be addressed. Also I will be in my office to answer any questions pertaining to this. Switching gears, Lights of Learning is coming up. If your group or athletic team would like a booth please talk to me or Joann and either of us can point you in the right direction for that.**

- Vice President Osejo – Hello, my name is Tyler Osejo and I am in the loop of ASG and I understand everything that is going on here at Barstow Community College. I want to bring to your attention the victimization I have suffered within this past week. I need to bring this to your attention, not for myself or the protection of me, but for the protection of the Barstow Community College students. I have false allegations against me of slander and harassment. These allegations have no documentations behind them; they are all word of mouth. And for the protection of me and the protection of you, I don't think the accusers Madelynn Mitchell and Maricela; I apologize, at this time I don't know your last name. Shouldn't be in positions of power because they have abused it. In her reign of office Madelynn Mitchell has...

Madelynn Mitchell: Tyler, if I may, Ms. Joann, I do not believe that this is allowed due to this is an officer report and not a personal report.

Tyler Osejo: This is a report though, I am informing...

Joann Garcia: Let's just stick to our Student Government because all that are concerned in hearing all of these rumors, that is something all of the advisors will meet about on Friday with the administration. There are things going on here that have been done out of order and we will take care of it on Friday. It's like a personnel issue so we can't discuss it. But as advisors working we follow the agenda and an officer's report should be what the officers are reporting; we have a parade coming up, we have Lights of Learning, and not all these other things. That will be addressed later. We're not going to sit here and discuss. And Tyler, please just talk about all the good things you've done for ASG and talk about the good things that are going on. That's all personnel and we are going to address it as advisors. We're not going to do this today because we have a bunch of stuff going on and we do not have time to discuss this. We're not going to talk about this until we have all of the facts. We're still doing our investigating from here on to Friday and we have scheduled our meeting, we will call Tyler in and will call the ASG in. And the ASG, you have to remember, does have the authority and the right to vote someone out, to make decisions, to make approvals; that is their job. And an officer report needs to be about events and activities happening on campus. Just make sure as a students that you have rights to, you rights to come and see Abe and myself and say 'these things have

been brought to my attention and I would like to know the facts before I take a stand.’

Tyler Osejo: Ms. Joann, I feel like I’m being censored...

Joann Garcia: You’re not censored, we’re all having a program and we are sticking to our agenda. Just give an officer report. You can come in and see Abe and me because you haven’t met with us and we’re going to call you in to meet with you as well as (ASG) and we will address things that aren’t true. When we have a board meeting at the college we have a time where anyone can come and say whatever they want, but that is not an officer’s report. We’re getting sent a lot of mixed messages right now with him speaking, her speaking; what I’m hearing is she can get up and say she isn’t appreciating her name being brought up. That’s not what this meeting is about. This meeting was called because it is a student government meeting to address things that are on the agenda. We don’t want to get off the agenda. It’s an officer’s report; everyone here should be reporting including me and Abe. If we have nothing to say, we say ‘nothing to report.’ Now at the end we have open floor discussion which is where things can be brought up. If you want to call me or Abe or email us, we are open to that too. So we are here to address our student government and the things that are happening; the things are coming up because you guys are involved with it and we want everyone here to have a good college experience. No one wants to quit, leave or be upset because of student life here at the college. So let’s just stick to that and respect for your advisors Tyler. It is emotional when someone says something about me or them it gets emotional because no one likes it. But we are here to address what is on the agenda and once we are done with the things on the agenda then we can have our open floor discussion at the end. We are not going to sit here and discuss this and have people run to left field with it because there are always two sides to every story, remember that. If you have something you want to address, put it in writing, because otherwise it’s all verbal. On Friday I will be sitting down with our vice-president and Heather and Abe to go over the documentation before us.

Johnathan Avina: With all due respect, but an officer report is a report on the officer. So, by that logic he should be able to report on his status and what his business is. If there is some sort of accusation then we should be aware of it.

Madelynn Mitchell: If I may, as a president, and again this is out of conduct because it's I'm the one who addresses you, and that is following the brown act. However, an officer report is not about that, but if that was an agenda item then yes he may. However, as of right now it is all verbal and paperwork is being processed and it is a 'closed door issue' as of right now. So, as a student, he may at the open floor discussion he can bring this up, but in an officer report it is unacceptable.

Tyler Osejo: In my defense, in my report I am not able to report because I feel threatened in my environment. I was not able to function this week in the office at all because of the atmosphere that surrounds this allegation.

Joann Garcia: Again, we are not going to discuss this because it is still under investigation. We are all going to follow the agenda and we will have an open floor discussion at the end of this meeting.

- Treasurer Angulo – I would like to ask all of the clubs to submit pictures of their events.
- Secretary White – Please make sure all club secretaries sign your meeting minutes and agendas when they are submitted to me for ASG approval.

VII. All Other Reports:

(Limited to 3 Minutes Each)

- Senator Mendez – I was able to talk to some of the athletes and the coaches to ask them to participate in the parade. I am wearing the breast cancer awareness basketball game.
- Senator Elisara – I sit on the safety committee and we still have not met yet but if you have any safety concerns
- Senator Rodarte – Two weeks ago I went to the shared governance council.
- Senator Mintun – My committee has not met yet.
- Senator White – I sit in the IEC committee and it has been cancelled.
- Senator Navarro – I am senator of CTE and had an unofficial CTE meeting and we have.
- Region IX: Wayne Brown – We had a region 9 meeting at VVC
- Student Trustee: Sophia Manzanares – I have attended the All College meetings and the Shared Governance committee.

VIII. Advisor Reports

(Limited to 3 Minutes Each)

- Joann Garcia – Tomorrow we have an earthquake drill at 10:16. Also please sign up for the Mardi Gras Parade for participation.
- Ibrahim Aboud – I would like to ask Tyler to give us as advisors all of the evidence that he has gathered and we will discuss it.

IX. Club Reports:

(Limited to 5 minutes each)

- Alpha Gamma Sigma – We have finally got our advisor last week. We are accepting our member fees.
- Asian Pacific - inactive
- Black Student Union – Nothing to report.
- Callboard – Midterm munchies madness and everything is a dollar in front of the LRC. We are also having our Sweeny Todd/Beetlejuice on October 24th at 6pm. There will be concessions and trivia prizes and a costume contest.
- Club for Christ – We have a bake sale on Oct. 21. During that time we will be handing out raffle tickets.
- Cosmetology - Absent
- Career Technical Education – At this point in time we do not have any officers and will be taking elections tomorrow.
- Inter-Club Council – Disbanded.
- Native American – Oct 30th, we will be having a haunted house hosted by our club.
- Phi Theta Kappa – We are having a Gold Canyon Candle sale which part of the proceeds go to the club and the rest back to Gold Canyon. We are also having a bake sale.
- Science – We had our 2nd fundraiser and it as a really good turnout. Our next one will be next Thursday at noon in the IPAC.
- Veterans – Absent.

X. Adjournment – 12:29

XI. Open Floor Discussion (If Applicable)

Attendee 1: I wanted to know with this ongoing investigation who will be the acting vice-president of the ASG or is Tyler still going to be acting vice-president?

Tyler Osejo: From other recourses I have heard that there was an announcement of another VP at the Leadership Conference. A student did claim them as the new VP already. I don't know who that is, Maddy do you have anything you would like to add?

Madelynn Mitchell: Again, that is a rumor, Tyler will be the acting vice-president until formal documentation is done and there is a meeting in which we will address this topic and at that point the senate will then vote on the decision whether Tyler will cease to be vice-president and then there will be a vote at the following meeting on who will assume the position. But, as of right now, Tyler will be the vice-president.

Attendee 2: Why is he up for dismissal?

Madelynn Mitchell: Again, that will be discussed at a later meeting. AS of right now rumors have gotten out and this is not a public matter at this time.

Attendee 2: And this will be an open meeting?

Madelynn Mitchell: Of course.

Attendee 3: If this is not up for public discussion, then you guys are the body and you represent the body, well we are the body and we represent you. We're the ones who voted you in ultimately. So why isn't it an open subject?

Madelynn Mitchell: There are internal affairs. You can go to a board meeting and they can have; it's the same policy and you can go. However, there is a lot of things that have gone on prior to before it's open to the public. Same thing here, you wouldn't go out and not make sure you don't have your ducks in a row before you said anything to the public, correct? That is all we are doing. This is an internal affair until a decision is made and paperwork is filed and evidence has been gathered.

Until then it is not a public affair because that is how rumors have gotten started and stories have been misconstrued and the truth is so far away that you can't get it back. And unfortunately that is what has happened.

Attendee 3: Wouldn't bringing this to public dismiss all of the rumors?

Madelynn Mitchell: We cannot control what is being said out. We can only control what we do as an organization and honestly we have to have paperwork and documentation when someone is actually up for dismissal when someone is actually up for dismissal. Yes, there has been paperwork already and yes, there has been internal discussion, but they as a senate make the decision and that will be a public meeting. However it is ASG's right for us to vote a member out. It is not a public right. You guys can do it through a petition however you must follow procedure. But as far as this is particular situation as an ASG internal affair and it is ASG's ultimate decision. However, the public will be notified at the appropriate time and once we can sit here and honestly say, with all of our ducks in a row, this is what's going on.

Attendee 4: Aren't students allowed to look at the documentations because what it sounds like when you come to a verdict by saying he's either in or out that's when we are going to know. And we won't be able to put our opinions into it as students. As students, a lot of people came because they are concerned about Tyler Osejo as vice-president and the allegations put against him. Hearing what he is being accused of is very concerning because it's his future at stake. Accusations of harassment go way further than a lot of people think.

Madelynn Mitchell: I completely understand. However, the dismissal of Tyler as a vice-president of ASG is an ASG internal affair and the public has no say in that. Of course there is a different approach if it was a public matter but as far as this specific case it is an internal affair. You may come in and I have no problem showing you documentation of the allegation showing you the infractions that he has committed. However, if you don't come in, I can't disclose any information. And that goes for everyone.

Attendee 4: Are we allowed to get that information and put it in the newspaper to show other students because a lot of students are not aware of this.

Madelynn Mitchell: That's why we invite everyone to come to our meetings which are always posted so we can answer any questions. When it is the appropriate time documentation will be made public, the agendas will be posted and everyone will have an adequate amount of time to understand what is going on and they can be here for that time. There will be a meeting that will be dedicated to just that. At that point everything will be made public and discussed and that will be the appropriate time to approach this matter.

Attendee 1: When are you going to have this meeting?

Madelynn Mitchell: What happens is because this is such a blown up case and there are rumors and there are accusations of harassments on both sides and discrimination. This has now gone past our ASG and our constitution and this is now an administration issue. After they have come to a decision then we can further our part in this. That is when you as students will see what they need to. As of right now ASG cannot move any further in this matter.

Attendee 1: Regardless of outcome, how will ASG recover from this, because now everyone is going to be afraid to talk to each other?

Madelynn Mitchell: Unfortunately, that is what happens whenever people take internal affairs and make them public. ASG will do our best to come up from this and regardless of the outcome I hope that everyone still trusts ASG as the governing body here. We're people too and we try our best and we have the right, we reserve the right, to, if we feel that someone is not doing their job, to terminate them under specific guidelines. As of right now, ASG's hands are clean. And that is all I am going to say as of that.

Attendee 4: With the executive board meeting, wasn't there no advisory? So, if you guys are saying that we have to go through the right process, even though you guys didn't do it, why is it that on our part we have to follow the rules when you yourself as president did not follow the rules?

Madelynn Mitchell: If you're addressing whenever we presented the petition to Tyler, that was not an official meeting; actually that was nothing. We closed the doors to respect his privacy. I understand you

have a personal relationship with him and therefore if these are personal questions that you can address them to me in my office.

Attendee 4: No, they are actually directed towards you and Maricela...

Madelynn Mitchell: ...and Sean.

Attendee 4: ... because you two are the ones accusing my brother of harassment and discrimination.

Madelynn Mitchell: Again, I can provide documentation of the harassment if you would like to see them. However, you may see them at the appropriate time.

Attendee 4: I would like to, I would really like to.

Madelynn Mitchell: And that will be after the administration reviews it.

Attendee 5: Are you following the Robert's Rule from the workshop that we just went to? Are you following that process?

Madelynn Mitchell: Yes, we are also following the Brown Act. I have researched both of them and the way we make our agenda and the way we conduct our meetings are superb according to our guest speaker and according to documentation.

Attendee 5: It says you reserve the right to amend the agenda at any time. And according to our guest speaker, you should not be making amendments.

Madelynn Mitchell: You can make amendments to an agenda that is in the Robert's Rule of Order and the Brown Act and you may make amendments to an agenda. He personally did not like making amendments.

Iolani Elisara: With all the accusations and rumors going around about Tyler's situation. I just want to remind students that we as an organization, it doesn't just come down to harassment. There are other things that we actually took into consideration. There are duties and hours, so I don't want everyone to just get the whole it's just harassment.

There are a lot of other things that we understand and we've talked about. And when we talk about documentation; it's not just harassment, it comes down to duties.

Attendee 1: If it comes down to duties, how do you expect this man to continue with his position if he can't be here? I can't see him doing his job effectively while he's being investigated.

Tyler Osejo: If I can answer your question, when it comes down to the hours and obligations I've been told to do, I have evidence that I will bring to you guys as students that I have done my assignments. When it comes to the hour sheets, I don't have that resource. We haven't had hour sheets in 4 weeks now and the hour sheets we do have, I don't have that availability. What I do have is emails and documentations of contacting clubs and getting contact back from them.

Attendee 6: We aren't going to really get anywhere in this meeting, we cannot vote on anything nor further the process of anything. So, if we just wait until ASG can get back to us with facts and to let us know what we need to know, that is when we will gain an understanding. So if we just wait then all of our questions will be answered.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 29th, 2014

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