BY-LAWS
Bakersfield College Agriculture Club

ARTICLE I - NAME

SECTION A.
The name of this organization shall be Bakersfield College Agriculture Club; a Bakersfield College non-profit organization hereinafter may be referred to as the "Ag Club."

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

SECTION A.
The purpose for which this organization is formed is as follows:

1. To promote campus and community awareness of California Agriculture and to seek support for the agriculture programs and events of the Bakersfield College Agriculture Department and the Bakersfield College Agriculture Club.
2. To provide scholarships and learning experiences for selected Ag Club members who wish to further their education.
3. To help finance Ag Club members' trips to agriculture conventions, conferences and contests.
4. To provide assistance to the Bakersfield College Agriculture Club members.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION A.
The Ag Club shall be composed of seven or more members. Any student enrolled at Bakersfield College or institution belonging to the Kern Community College District, regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age or handicap, who is interested in agriculture and/or its related disciplines, and willing to accept supervision from the student leadership and faculty advisor(s), may be considered for membership. Honorary members may be appointed by the Executive Board of Directors.
ARTICLE IV – ELECTIONS AND OFFICERS

SECTION A
Election of officers for the Club shall be held annually at the May meeting.

SECTION B
Elections shall be by ballot. Officers will be elected by a majority vote of the membership present.

SECTION C.
Nominations shall be made from the floor for new officers to be at the April meeting. Nominations will be held for the general make up of the team (not individual offices). Installation of officers will be held in conjunction with the May BC Ag Awards Year-end meeting.

SECTION D.
The officers of the Club shall be as follows: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Inter Club Council Representative and Historian. After the election is completed the new officers will evaluate their leadership positions and decide which leader fits in each office. In the case multiple leaders interested in the same office, the overall ballot count will be used to make the final decision.

SECTION E.
The newly elected officers shall take office immediately upon installation at the BC Ag Awards Year-end meeting and serve until successors are elected and installed. No officer shall serve in the same office for more than two (2) consecutive years.

SECTION F
Vacancies of office occurring during the year shall be filled with recommendations by the Executive Board of Officers and faculty advisor(s) and approval of the membership for the unexpired portion of the term.

ARTICLE V – OFFICERS

SECTION A. President
The president will serve as the executive officer of the Ag Club, preside at all meetings of the membership, be an ex-officio member of all committees, exercise general supervision over affairs of the club, and perform other duties as are ordinarily incumbent upon a President. He or she shall represent the club in all relations and the school and perform a like function in their behalf in relation to the club.

SECTION B. Vice-President
The Vice President shall perform such duties as are ordinarily incumbent upon Vice Presidents and such other duties assigned to them by the President or
faculty advisor. The Vice President will chair meetings in President's absence and membership.

SECTION C. Secretary
The Secretary shall keep and maintain all records of membership, attendance, meeting minutes read minutes, newspaper or mailed announcements.

SECTION D. Treasurer
The Treasurer shall keep and maintain all records of fees, dues and monies collected and disbursed in the form and manner prescribed by the faculty advisor and under the rules and regulations prescribed by Bakersfield College.

SECTION E. Inter Club Council Representative (ICC Rep)
Inter Club Council Representative (ICC Rep) shall represent the Ag Club at the Bakersfield College Student Government Association Inter Club Council meetings.

SECTION F. Historian
The Historian shall photograph, video and record club and Ag Department events. The accumulated year's history will be presented at the Year-end BC Ag Awards presentation.

ARTICLE VI – MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

SECTION A.
The Club shall be open to all students with an interest in Bakersfield College Agriculture.

SECTION B.
The Executive Board of Directors shall establish membership in three categories as follows:

1. Active Members - Active members shall be those who (a) attend meetings with reasonable regularity, (b) show and take an interest in affairs of the Club, and (c) pay semester dues.
2. Supporting members – Supporting members shall be those who (a) are inactive, and (b) pay dues or contribute.
3. Honorary members - Honorary members shall be those designated by the Club.

SECTION C. The Executive Board of Directors may recommend termination of any membership by a two-thirds (2/3) vote. The club may terminate any membership by a majority vote of the club membership present and voting at any regularly scheduled meeting.
SECTION D. Semi-annual membership dues for the Club shall be fixed at the Annual meeting of the Club.

SECTION E. The Executive Board of Directors shall consist of the officers of the Club and the faculty advisor(s).

ARTICLE VII - CLUB MEETINGS

SECTION A.
Meetings of the Club shall be held every month during the Fall and Spring school session. With the annual meeting being held at the end of the school year. The time and place shall be designated by the Executive Board of Directors.

SECTION B.
Special meetings may be called with notification.

SECTION C.
Only active members are eligible to vote.

ARTICLE VIII - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

SECTION A.
Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall govern the Club in all cases to which they are not consistent with these by-laws or special rules of order that the Club may adopt.

ARTICLE IX - FINANCES

SECTION A.
All expenditures made by the Club on behalf of the BC Agriculture Club, or any other organization, shall comply with the Bakersfield College and Kern Community College District's guidelines.

SECTION B.
All financial drives or other fund raising activities shall be in conformity with the purpose of the Club.

SECTION C.
The treasurer shall present a financial report at each regular meeting and an annual audited report.
ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS

SECTION A. Amendments to these by-laws shall be made by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the active membership present after having been proposed at the previous meeting and accepted for inclusion on the agenda at such previous meeting.

Agriculture Club President
Garrett White

Agriculture Club Secretary
Kaitlyn McCoy

Faculty Advisor(s)
Chris McCraw, Lindsay Ono & Sally Sterns

Date Adopted