

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF KERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

In re:

RESOLUTION NO. R-03-25

AUTHORIZATION TO

Approving the Use of Remote Attendance)
for Student Government Meetings)
Under AB 1855)

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Ralph M. Brown Act and Assembly Bill 2449 provide guidelines for teleconferencing in public meetings, allowing for remote participation under specified conditions; and

WHEREAS, on September 14, 2024, Governor Gavin Newsom signed Assembly Bill 1855, which authorizes recognized student body associations and student-run organizations within California community colleges to conduct remote meetings without the requirement of "just cause/emergency circumstances" exception or a limit on the number of remote meetings; and

WHEREAS, AB 1855 will be in effect from January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025, expanding access to student government meetings through alternative teleconferencing provisions to promote inclusivity, accessibility, and increased student participation; and

WHEREAS, the Bakersfield College Student Government Association (BCSGA), the Associated Students of Porterville College (ASPC), and the Student Government of Cerro Coso (SGCC) each have submitted resolutions requesting authorization to utilize the alternative teleconferencing provisions granted under AB 1855; and

WHEREAS, the Kern Community College District Board of Trustees recognizes the importance of student engagement in governance and supports efforts to enhance participation while maintaining transparency, public access, and compliance with quorum requirements;

RESOLVED

1. The above recitals are true.
2. This Board declares its approval of the Use of Remote Attendance for Student Government Meetings Under AB 1855 for the purposes set forth in the Recitals to this Resolution.
3. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kern Community College District Board of Trustees formally approves and authorizes the resolutions by Bakersfield College Student Government Association (BCSGA), the Associated Students of

Porterville College (ASPC), and the Student Government of Cerro Coso (SGCC) to adopt the use of remote attendance for their meetings under the provisions of AB 1855; and

4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all virtual meetings conducted under this authorization shall remain accessible, transparent, and in compliance with all public participation requirements, effective immediately through December 31, 2025.


The Resolution set forth above was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: 7 NOES: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTENSIONS: 0

GOVERNING BOARD OF THE
KERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT


John Corkins, President of the Board

I certify that the Resolution is a full and correct excerpt from the Journal of the Board of Trustees of the Kern Community College District pertaining to the adoption of the Resolution at a meeting held on March 13, 2025.


Authorized Agent of the Board of Trustees of
the Kern Community College District
Steven Bloomberg, Chancellor