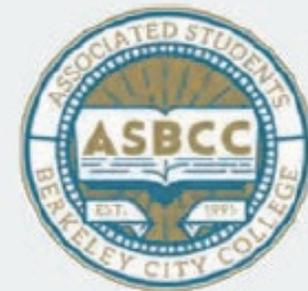


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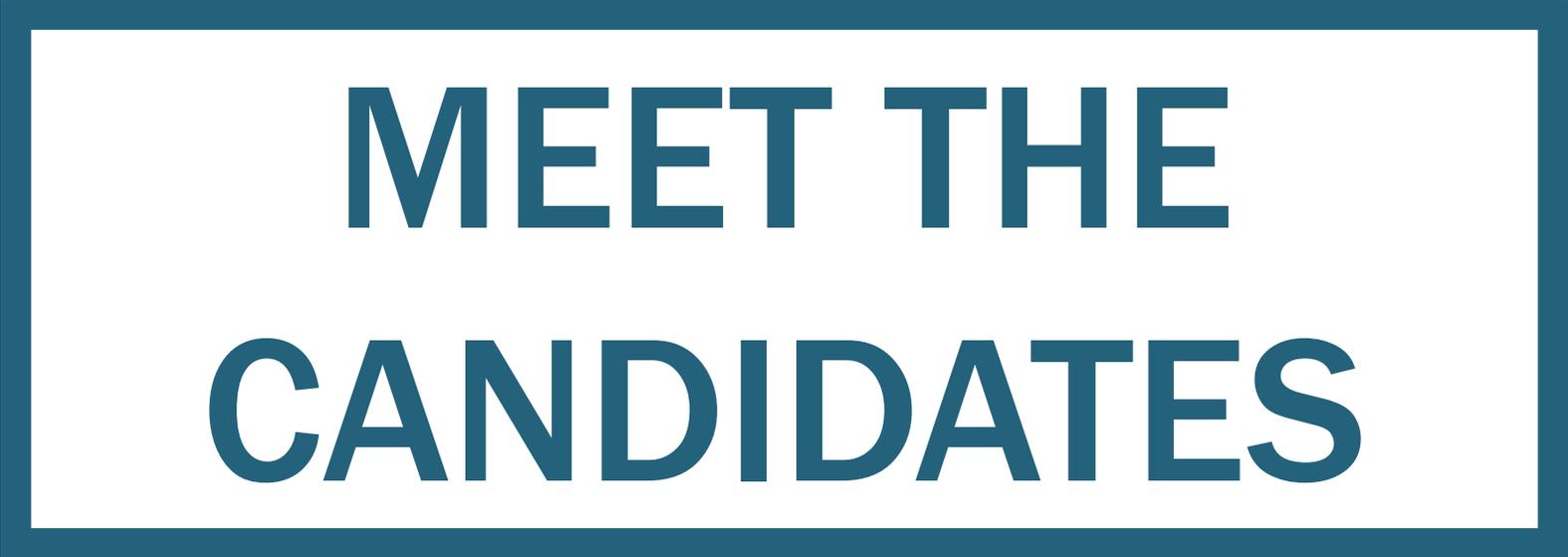
VOTING PROCEDURES

VOTER'S GUIDE:

Use the Berkeley City College's Voter's Guide to get to know all candidates' missions better.

HOW AND WHERE TO VOTE:

Online voting will begin on Monday May 11th and end on Tuesday, May 12th. The website link will be posted on Berkeley City College's student election page.



**MEET THE
CANDIDATES**

PRESIDENT

LIAM ZHU



My name is Liam Zhu and I'm a sophomore studying business administration. Having been both an East Bay local for 10 years and an international student prior, I feel humbled having had the chance to adapt to the local vibes while keeping a first-hand understanding of the often daunting transition our international friends experience every year.

In the recent past, I was:

One of two students nominated by the Director of Student Activities to attend the Compact20 National Conference in Seattle, representing BCC's civic engagement efforts.

Planning Team and Counselor Staff for a Leadership Training Summit at Cal Berkeley, hosting 68 accepted attendees ranging from professionals around the country to Cal, DVC, and BCC students.

Appointed as an Auxiliary Member for ASCOM in the 18-19 academic year at College of Marin, from which I have learned how other colleges run their student governments.

Through the last administration's hard work, the groundwork has been laid out for us to tackle non-tuition costs (textbooks, transportation, etc.) amongst other issues head on. As President I will use my relationship with student leaders at several other colleges to open up new opportunities for the better success of our collective JUCO student population.

I believe that building a long-standing house is not an overnight project, and can only be built brick by brick starting with a strong foundation. For this reason I am personally prepared to commit at least 5 years to track the progress of projects we take on this year, so that the following administrations may successfully carry on the legacy.

Feel free to reach out via email and ask me about the 7 key issues I've identified, as well as the policies and solutions I've prepared in response. I'd love to listen to your concerns and suggestions as well—let's start a conversation.

PRESIDENT

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Berkeley City College is well known for its high transfer rate to the UCs especially UC Berkeley, which makes it stand out from the other community colleges. However, aside from its academic achievement, I believe there is much room for further development in the school's welfare system, and the year I spent in the Associate Students of Berkeley City College (ASBCC) makes me have a more comprehensive point of view to be the one who make changes. For instance, right now in response to COVID-19, all the classes have been delivered remotely. Under this special circumstance, I want to build a social network platform for BCC students to socialize and make connections. By using the social media app Slack as the tool, students will be able to populate their networks even at home. I also want to invite the graduates to our BCC network since they are more experienced and will be able to guide the new students on their transfer journey. I believe this program can make BCC more than a place to study but also the 'sweet home' for all the students. At the same time, I think students with excellence performance should be rewarded with scholarships. During the year in BCC, I saw many students contribute themselves to improve the school system in variable ways. They worked together voluntarily to create a better campus. I believe they deserved the price based on the merit alone.

The online social media platform and scholarship program will be the programs I will be working on this year. I will also continue my Transportation program aiming for a decent price for Bart tickets. Let's make BCC a better place!

VICE PRESIDENT OF PROGRAMS

SHARON AHAZIE



My name is Sharon Ahazie. I'm Nigerian, I major in Political Science, I currently serve as a Senator on the ASBCC, and also an E-Board member in the Black Student Union in Berkeley City College. I initially entered the student government to be involved with club activities and participation. My passion for government and interest in social good is the reason why I ran for Senator last year and the same reason why I have decided to run for **Vice President of Programs** this year. During my first semester as a Senator, I worked alongside another Senator who led the planning of a Career Fair. We invited a number of companies and organizations to meet with students concerning job opportunities and possible internships. I hope to continue to have more inclusive conversations, to better understand and serve the student body effectively.

VICE PRESIDENT OF FINANCE

CHENGYU LI



Do you feel like textbooks are too pricey?

Do you wanna reduce the cost of your college education?

Imagine that you could use a \$249 textbook for free in all of your classes.

I am Chengyu Li but I'm mostly known as Ree on campus. I am running for Vice President of Finance for 2020 to 2021 academic year. I have a dream that every BCC student will never have to pay for a textbook ever again.

Everyone knows that textbooks are too expensive. As a student and a tutor at BCC, I am in contact with countless students and friends every day. It seems like the textbook problem has no way of being solved. I heard the voice of the students. I can't persuade myself to ignore them. I'm going to make the changes to our student's needs. After I secure the nomination of the Vice President of Finance position, I will use my newfound responsibility to help our student body and build a free textbooks system for BCC. All you will need is to show your Peralta student ID.

Moreover, I want to hear more voices from students and clubs. They should receive their reasonable investment funds.

The college's door is opening for everyone, but I don't want the cost of a college education to reject people. I want to operate with our other members to bring substantial progress for BCC. Vote for me. I am Chengyu Li and I speak for you.

VICE PRESIDENT OF FINANCE

NATHAN WEI



Nathan is a first-year student running for VP of Finance next year. Majoring in business administration and with a past internship in the Haas School of Business up at UC Berkeley, he believes these curriculums can help him find success in managing the financial operations with the ASBCC community. Nathan's primary goal for BCC is to provide all clubs their financial needs before the first half of each semester so more socials and activities in the student body can happen. Nathan also wants to provide more support in EOPS, CalWORKs, and textbook vouchers so that the students can be given the support they need for their academic success. While this position greatly affects BCC, Nathan will make sure he is hearing the input from other students and the community of the BCC to achieve democratic principles on decisions. Overall, Nathan wants to make sure our community has the financial resources they need while promoting student connections and support programs.

VICE PRESIDENT OF PUBLIC RELATIONS

DANIEL BUI



Berkeley City College can be an incredibly rewarding experience, one where connections are made, opportunities are found, and success is achieved. For many students though, it's easy to feel lost and overwhelmed. Coming into BCC, I didn't have a lot of support or guidance on my classes, programs, and resources in order to thrive. For a majority of students, I know I'm not alone. With the help of some alumnus, I was able to find opportunities to excel in my classes while exploring my passions. I had the pleasure of interning for Councilmember Rigel Robinson, creating cultural events at the Teen Center, and more. None of this would have been possible if I didn't receive help from others who have been in the same situations. That's why I am running to be your Vice President of Public Relations, so I can hopefully, reach out and help other students going through the same obstacles too. Whether you're an international student, a high schooler taking cross-enrollment, or a returning student; I want to make sure that resources and opportunities are not just transparent, but accessible for you to pursue your goals.

Thus, here are some key visions that I hope to achieve:

1. Utilize social media platforms. ASBCC has an Instagram and Facebook, but both have been inactive since 2017. I seek to renovate these accounts and use them as platforms for student resources, questions, opportunities, and more.
2. Create a representative feedback system in the office of Public Relations for students to voice their concerns and opinions, allowing students to have a direct voice on issues that matter to them most.
3. Publicize and expand the number of opportunities for international students, undocumented students, and those coming from disadvantaged backgrounds. This would take the form of internships, programs, and scholarships for students to pursue.

SENATORS

SARAH AHAZIE



Hello, my name is Sarah Ahazie. I am an international student from Nigeria and my major is Business Administration. I have always had a passion for helping people in every way I can, that's why I have decided to run for senator for the Associated Students of Berkeley City College. As someone that's transferring next year, the transfer center has made it easy for me to understand what I need to do to have a relatively easy transfer. So, as a senator, I want to be able to help students with anything and everything related to transfer. Transferring can be overwhelming sometimes but I hope as a senator, I will be able to make transfer as smooth as possible.

SENATORS

ANMOL BHULLAR