



Malcolm X Bobby Seale Black Student Union @ Merritt College



Monday, January 26th, 2026 | 11:00am- 12:30pm

12500 Campus Drive, Oakland, CA 94619

ICC Chambers, R-126

[**Zoom Link**](#)

BSU Regular Meeting

Mission: The mission of the black student union is to create a safe, inclusive and empowering space for students of African ancestry to learn, grow and thrive. Rooted in the principles of unity, cultural pride and self determination. BSU is committed to promoting racial pride, academic excellence, student activism and community service.

We strive to build a strong sense of belonging by celebrating the rich history, culture, and contributions of people of African ancestry while addressing the social and educational challenges that impact our communities. Through dialogue, mentorship, cultural events, and collaborative action, the BSU works to uplift Black voices, cultivate leadership, and inspire collective efforts toward equity and justice both on campus and beyond.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Black Student Union @ Merritt College, Malcom x Bobby Seale will hold a

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Regular meetings held every Second and Fourth Monday from 11:00am- 12:30pm

The meeting information is noted below:

The Black Student Union @ Merritt College, Malcom x Bobby Seale reserves the right to suspend the orders of the day if necessary to conduct business. All Black Student Union @ Merritt College meetings are held in locations that are wheelchair accessible. Other reasonable accommodations may be provided upon request. Persons requesting such accommodation are requested to notify the

Advisor of BSU, Carmen Johnson cjohnson@peralta.edu no less than two (2) working days prior to the meeting. Efforts will be made to meet requests made after that deadline. Contact the President at merrittxseale@gmail.com for agenda related items.

I. CALL TO ORDER-

II. ROLL CALL:

Position & Name	Present	Absent
President- Akaasha Ziya		
Vice President- Davina Malbrough		
Treasure- Alani Payne		
Secretary- Monique Choyce		
Club Council Representative- Monique Choyce		
Director of Media- Syuri Taylor		
Advisor- Carmen Johnson		

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA -

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES-

V. PUBLIC COMMENT {BROWN ACT §54954.3}

This segment of the meeting is reserved for members of the public to directly address the Black Student Union @ Merritt College on any matters that are within its jurisdiction and not on the present agenda. A time limit of three (3) minutes per speaker and twelve (12) minutes per topic will be allowed. The law does not permit any action to be taken, nor extended discussion of items not on the agenda. The opportunity for public comment on items that appear on the present agenda can be taken at the beginning of each item. The Black Student Union @ Merritt College may briefly respond to comments made or questions posed. To place an item on a future agenda, contact the President at merrittxseale@gmail.com.

VI. Reports

President | 5 Minutes

Vice President | 5 Minutes

Treasure | 5 Minutes

Secretary| 5 Minutes

Director of Media | 5 Minute

Advisors | 5 Minutes

Old Business

VII.New Business

A. Black History Month

President | 20mins | Discussion/ Action

The Board will discuss and take action to plan black history month events for the 10th and the 24th of February.

B. Training

Vice President | 20mins | Discussion/ Action

The Board will discuss and take action to go over training materials for the brown act and roberts rule.

C. Extra Credit Opportunities

President | 20mins | Discussion/ Action

The Board will discuss and take action to coordinate with instructors for students to receive extra credit for attending and participation in BSU meetings or events.

D. Community Partnership

President | 20mins | Discussion/ Action

The Board will discuss and take action to identify individuals on campus and external partners to collaborate and help move BSU forward.

E. Fundraising

President | 20mins | Discussion/ Action

The Board will discuss and take action to go over and plan fundraising ideas.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reserved for members of Black Student Union @ Merritt College to make announcements and no discussion will occur and no action may be taken.

IX. ADJOURNMENT -