1. Welcome and Introductions
   a. The following were present at today’s meeting: Danny Williams (co-chair), Everette Brooks (co-chair), Preston Allen, Camille O’Bryant, Ricardo Ortega, Myraline Whitaker, Staci Shoals, Annie Holmes, Jeff Alexander, Michael Mabry, Brittany Henry, Terrance Harris, Rochell Daney

   a. Members present acknowledge the work that Camille and Preston did the past few years.
   b. Camille and Preston are preparing the report for President Armstrong. We had multiple home visits, social events, 2 Black Legacy Weekends and helped alums with the process of establishing a chapter for Black Alums in the Cal Poly alumni association.

3. Annual Meeting Schedule
   a. BFSA will meet from 12:10-1:00 on the 2nd Wednesday of each month (exception = December.
   b. Stay tuned for updates about meeting locations for winter and spring quarters (Everette)

4. By-Laws
   a. Danny reminded everyone that they received the by-laws via email and that there were no changes pending at this time.
      i. MOTION: Terrance Harris (first), Camille O’Bryant (second) – approve the BFSA By-Laws as distributed via email last week. Motion Passed

5. Committees
   a. Everette reviewed the current points of information about and membership on various committees
      i. Web-Gardening = Staci Shoals. If anyone has information for the BFSA web page, please send that information to Danny or Everette and they will work with Staci to make sure the web page is up to date.
      ii. Scholarships = Melissa, Jeff and Terrance. Terrance is currently serving as liaison to the Cal Poly Black Alumni (CPPBAA). CPBAA is also working on developing scholarship avenues/options. BFSA should continue to collaborate with CPBAA to make sure we are telling students about possible scholarship options.
      iii. Black Legacy Weekend = Preston, Myraline, Camille, Juliette, Terrance and Everette. Ultimate goal is to transition Black Legacy Weekend to CPBAA. Preston distributed save the date cards for 2015 Black Legacy Weekend
      iv. Academic Achievement = Michael and Brittany
      v. Community Outreach = Myraline, Rochell, Staci and Danny
      vi. Events/Programming = Juliette and Jeff

6. Web Page Update
   a. Staci is doing an excellent job keeping the BFSA Web Page up to date. She will post meeting minutes, general announcements about events on the web page.

7. Fall Quarter BFSA Events
a. Home visit – Sunday, November 2nd from 2:00 – 5:00 at Danny and Marsheila’s home (Arroyo Grande). We will start publicizing the event in a few weeks. Faculty and staff are welcome to stay longer than 5:00 p.m. to continue socializing and community building.

b. CPBAA 2nd annual Tailgate and Barbecue (see flyer) – November 15, 2014
   i. Cal Poly Football versus UC Davis
   ii. Athletics has set aside an area in the Mustang Coral for the CPBAA

c. Thanksgiving Potluck – Sunday, November 23 from 4 – 7 p.m. (?) at the SLO Senior Center
   i. BFSA will provide the turkey
   ii. Potluck
   iii. Students will have chance to compete for prizes for the best dish, best dessert, etc.
   iv. More details forthcoming

d. White Elephant/Black Rhino Gift Exchange from 12:10 – 1:00 on Wednesday, December 17 (UU 216)
   i. We agreed that those who participate in the gift exchange would spend no more than $10.00 on an item
   ii. Details forthcoming

8. Special Events
   a. Joint FSA Reception
      i. Camille indicated that there are currently no plans for a joint FSA Reception at this time. We had a nice time last fall. Hopefully the FSAs (faculty and staff associations) will get together and plan something soon.

   b. BEACoN Program
      i. Camille distributed brochures and provided a brief explanation of Cal Poly’s BEACoN Mentor program. BEACoN stands for Believe, Educate & Empower, Advocate, Collaborate and Nurture. She, Jennifer Teramoto Pedrotti (PSY) and Bob Flores (Ag Ed) are the first three faculty members named to serve in this role. The objective is to work collaboratively with faculty, staff and students to help students find their academic voice and boost their confidence. The ultimate objective is to increase retention and graduation rates among students from underrepresented groups and help them be as successful as possible at and beyond Cal Poly.

   c. Campus Climate Survey Results
      i. Annie announced that the executive summary would be release today and that the entire results will be shared during open forums next Thursday (October 16). There will be focus groups and workshops throughout November so that faculty, staff and students can share their responses to the survey results and help the university plan for specific action items

9. Treasurer Update
a. Thanks to some generous sponsors and those who pay dues, we do have some money in the BFSA account

10. Membership Dues
   a. Membership costs $30.00.
   b. We need to update the membership form for academic year 2014-2015
   c. Everette and Danny will send the membership forms as soon as they are ready.
   d. Right now we can only accept cash or checks. Using PayPal for dues is not very cost effective at this time

11. Other Business
   a. Ricardo announced that the MCC is conducting a search for another coordinator who will work primarily on coordinating events/programming for Black students
   b. Annie and Everette are serving on the Martin Luther King Jr. planning committee in Paso Robles and hope to have BFSA involvement as much as possible

12. Adjournment