

Kresge Parliament – 3/14/13

Start: 6:30 Quorum: 12 Ice Breaker: What is something you are proud of this quarter?

Guest: Scott Berlin – Director of Hospitality and Dining Services, UCSC
Parliament invited Scott to discuss our Town Hall meeting poll in regards to the Owl's Nest Café. The poll made it very clear that those who responded want to go back to the menu from 2011-2012. Scott explained that they are in discussions regarding next year but for spring quarter they will try a variety of new items and the success will shape the final menu for next fall. Items include burgers, Asian bowls, chips, bottle sodas.

- Q. How will you know if something is popular? A. Use current suggestion note system.
- Q. Advertising the changes is going to be important, how will that be done?
A. We have a campus web site with updates and promotion in the dining halls.
- Q. Is it possible to have a Parliament Rep. for Dining Services during these discussions?
A. Foodies meet Thursdays at 8 a.m. – these are open sessions soon to be posted
- Q. What is a Foodie? A. There are 5 sister college student positions. These students are supposed to survey students, eat and work @ Dining Halls, show up at Govern. mtgs. Applications for the next year are posted spring quarter. Position includes housing credit and salary. Check the campus ERS – possible opening for this spring quarter for P/K.
- Q. Will this new variety include items from last year or are they totally new offerings?
A. To start they are from last year – burgers and rice bowls.
- Q. Will prices be grouped to = the \$8 swipe? A. Still looking at pricing and getting new menu boards.
- Q. Will the new boards be more aesthetically pleasing like other campus venues?
A. Going towards digital menu boards that can be updated daily.
- Q. Are different operating hours an option? A. Currently no – this is something that would affect your Housing rates and recharges – you should take this up with CAO M.Y.G. A college request would be required.
- Q. What about closing for a day or two during the week so we can have Friday night and weekend hours?
A. It is possible but sales would have to be high enough to justify the changes. There are currently no cafes open on Friday evenings for a reason. Kresge is not the only patron of the Owl's Nest. There are more people on campus during weekday hours.
- Q. Is adding breakfast (at least breakfast burritos) a part of the current discussion?
A. Not for spring quarter.
- Q. Is there anything Parliament can do to assist in this exploratory period? We have discussed creating a college wide on-line survey regarding the Owl's Nest.
A. Again, this Café is not just yours but dining services does put out a spring campus survey and maybe we could collaborate on that effort with specific questions for Porter/Kresge.

Debrief: Parliament appreciates Scott's visit. New members had never heard of a Foodie? It will be important to get the word out about changes and what students do like. Should we form an Owl's Nest Committee to stay involved in the process? We do need to show continual interest for any real changes to occur. How about a Rep. to attend some of the Thursday a.m. staff meetings?
Bailey and Aimee volunteer to attend at least one meeting per month and report back to us.

Parliament Updates: Parliament has received our requested funding confirmation from the Bone Marrow Registrations Drive – our \$130.00 did go towards the rental of Sammy the Slug mascot.

Outreach: Parliament needs to reorder our "Give a Hoot" tee shirts: 50 = \$9.79 each, 75 = \$9.49 each and 100 shirts = \$9.18 each. If we order more, we will save Parliament money in the long run.

We would like to order 100 and split the total cost with our Carry Forward budget money = \$459.00
Kelsey motions for 100 shirts, Lucas 2nds 11 Hoots. 1 Screech - Approved.

Mariah will email M.Y.G. for Carry Forward budget approval NTE \$459.00.

Council of Chairs Meeting: Lucas for Mariah - Today(3/14) with Police Chief Owies at the Global Village Café. - Talked about recent events both on and off campus. Also thefts of bikes, wallets & computers. Suggested all students use Lojack technology to track computers down. A second naked run occurred last week - this year alone \$5000 in damage has occurred to the pool from these runs. Not in support of this run ending up in the pool – both a safety and lost property issue for students.

4/20 was discussed as a damaging feature to UCSC because it continues a negative image of this school. Owies noted in national polls, UCSC is listed in top 5 pot schools. Additional issues the day of with illegal vendors, credit card fraud and under aged children some as young as 2. Most participants are not community members. Plan to increase police presence quite a bit, close West Side entrance, triple fines – a lot of student outreach is needed to reduce attendance.

New: starting a late night escort service with the CSO's. Anytime from 8pm to 2:30 am they will meet you on campus. Call Dispatch 459-2100. Hoping to create student positions for this service adding employment opportunities & on the job training for students interested in law enforcement. Library referendum for Measure 42 is no longer on the ballot, V.C. Alison Galloway is going to cover the expense for one year to further study the issue.

Approval of minutes: 3/7/13 Minutes approved with SUA correction – not veto power but hold Lyle motions, Kelsey 2nds. 4 Hoots, 8 abstain= Approved

Committee Report Backs

SUA: Lyle & Kelsey – Student Guest David Sugar addressed the body regarding the UC system investments in fossil fuel companies. UCSC, especially, should not be involved with doing damage to the environment. He has data to show it could be just as efficient to invest in other companies. Wants funds transferred, this would not be a significant difference in money. Family Student Housing visited to report no progress with their living conditions, rent still going up, mold still a huge issue and families are dropping out = too expensive. Asking for SUA support with negotiations. Constitutional Amendment off the agenda since the colleges approved sponsorship for spring ballot. IVC Shaz presented his Slug Shuttle funding request for tee shirts for volunteers. Heated discussion followed with unprofessional interactions between the officers. Funding approved. Timeline for elections next quarter and Election Commissioner bi-laws – clear rules this year so things hopefully run smoother. Example: All complaints must include SID# to be considered. \$250 for reimbursement of officer position campaigns – max spending limit is \$350.

Core Council: Lyle – Finally met with 8 of 10 college attending. Went over history, current budget that should be \$2600. (\$1300 a year) from Measure 7 funding. Staffing issue – suppose to have a paid intern or staff member liaison to the council but don't. SUA SOFA committee suggested for alternative funding source location if Core dissolves. Major concern regarding this plan is SOFA is dysfunctional at best and more budget money will not help that situation – creates a funding monopoly on campus that does not service non SOAR/Media/OPERS orgs like KMEC/PRIDE.

Aimee motions to vote to maintain Core Council at next meeting, Lucas 2nds: 7 Hoots, 3 Abstain, 2 Screech = Approved

Announcements:

Pet a Dog Stress Relief: Science Library 6-8pm Friday 3/15 & McHenry - Saturday 3/16

Late Night Breakfast: Sunday 3/17 at 11pm in the Town Hall

Tea & You & Me: Meet Mariah this Sunday 3/17 2 to 4 pm J bldg. Rm. 204, Bring your own mugs.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:06 p.m. Good Luck on Finals!