

Kresge Parliament – 4/4/13

Start: 6:32 Quorum: 10 Ice Breaker: What was your favorite part of spring break?

Guests: Shaz, Max & Tony of SUA

Three students who would like to run for positions with SUA next year introduced themselves and asked for signatures on the required petitions to get on the spring ballot. This is only to get on the ballot – not an endorsement or campaign stop.

Shaz is running for SUA Chair, Max for Internal Vice Chair & Tony for External Vice Chair.

Guests: Jeff Wildenboer, Owl's Nest Manager & Scott Berlin, UCSC Dining Svcs. Manager

Scott and Jeff came to discuss the new changes at the Owl's nest for spring quarter. They have added new items like burgers, chicken sandwiches and several alternatives: falafel patties, sweet potato fries and more vegetarian and vegan items including a vegan bun made here at UCSC.

Jeff spoke about his interest in a marriage of East/West flavors. The floor was opened for questions.

Q. What about breakfast? You already have eggs and bacon in your pantry? Could you make breakfast burritos again? We would like to have breakfast past 10:30 a.m. in the morning.

A. Breakfast items are still be discussed but sales will have to support these items.

Q. Would like to make request for more vegan options like at Banana Joe's.

A. Again, sales would have to support such additions. We cannot supply everyone's favorite ingredients.

Q. Please add Avacado as option for salads, crepes, sandwiches etc. Also Portobello mushrooms!

A. Yes, we are aware of of the love of avocados. Mushrooms are traditionally less popular

A. Also looking at bread alternatives like flat bread wraps etc.

Q. How will you advertise the new menu items.

A. The campus website for Dining Services and Facebook posts

Q. What about table toppers for the halls and/or a campus wide email including off campus folks.

A. We need to take this slow and get use to the changes in food ordering & customer #s.

A. D.S. only has access to on campus emails.

Q. What is the best way to let you know customer comments?

A. Comment cards are available or go on-line at <http://diningcomment.ucsc.edu>

Q. We like to read the comment cards – could they be posted more centrally?

A. Yes, we have a new corkboard over the coffee table – we could use that space.

Debrief: Parliament appreciates the changes to the Nest and Scott/Jeff coming to our meeting.

It is very important spring quarter to fill out comment cards or go on-line as next year's menu will be based on what happens this quarter. Keep pushing for breakfast.

Parliament also discussed advertising options but has decided to wait and see how things go.

A good suggestion was also made to ask that comment cards be handed out with each meal.

Treasury Report: Rachel – After winter quarter expenses, we had \$149.89 left. Added to our spring budget of \$1400.00, we now have an operating budget of \$1549.89.

Parliament Updates:

Parliament Members Dinner: We annually plan a dinner meeting in the middle of spring quarter to celebrate this year and brainstorm for next year. Please think over where you would like to go this year. The restaurant has to be in the P.O. system like Mobo Sushi. We have about \$20.00 per person.

Give a Hoot shirts: The new shirts have arrived and all sizes are available at the Programs Office.

Kresge Community Service Day is Saturday, April 13th from 10 – 2 p.m. All are invited to help clean up the Del Mar Elementary School in Live Oak. Franklin Williams, Kresge Service Learning Instructor, will provide lunch. Carpooling from Kresge lower parking lot will be at 9:30 am. Please tell you friends and were appropriate footwear.

Approval of minutes: 3.14.13 Minutes: Mariah motions to approve, Lyle 2nds. 6 Hoots, 4 abstain = Approved

Committee Report Backs

Core Council: Lyle – Core council has voted to keep going and schedule 4 – 5 meeting per quarter to review funding requests from SOAR, Media and OPERS orgs. The meetings this quarter will be Wednesdays 7-9pm, third floor of the Bookstore bldg. Lyle needs to resign from the position, if we can come up with a new Rep. for spring.

SUA: Lyle, Carl, Kelsey(?) If you want to intern for SUA applications are due tomorrow 4/5. Academic Senate is working on the annual student class survey. There will be a meeting April 8th at the Health Center, Mural Room 8 -11 am to discuss the student insurance cap. SUA is working on the budget details for next year. The Resolution regarding UCSC investments in non-environmentally friendly companies is still being discussed. A call is out for each college to elect an elections commissioner to help with the spring election. They are charged with local publicity and meeting on any discrepancies. We need to appoint a commissioner by April 12th. UCSC's got talent is happening next week - feeder events are happening at the 5 sister colleges 4/8 – 4/12.

Dining Svcs. Mtgs: Carl & Bailey - The foodie meeting included chefs and other higher ups alongside the student foodies. They appear to be trying to put more emphasis on the Perk coffee Bar at Jack Baskin. Recommendation was made to add nutritional values on menus? Apparently slider bars are not popular in halls - major complaint - really greasy. Spring Spotlight guests really eating the pizza and burgers. Discussing tempura and spring rolls for meatless Mondays. Terra Fresca has a new menu. P/K currently does not have foodie rep.- needs to be on staff with dining services. 9/10 taco bar a mess – mixing up meat and tofu. Campus food fair coming u soon – stay tuned. Considering a stamp card for meatless days to encourage people to try the meatless offerings all around campus. Next meeting will be at Oakes.

Representative Elections

Elections Commissioner Representative: Need to go to meetings only when there is an issue and promote voting during election week. We will finalize next week.

Core Council: Core Council is a funding body. The council meets to discuss which organizations to fund. The current budget is \$26,000. Meetings are some Wednesdays 7pm – 9 p.m. and there might be pizza. Anna is interested. Lyle nominates her, Carl 2nds. 10 Hoots. Approved.

Announcements:

Come up with an Acronym for Parliament's Dining Svcs. meeting representatives.

The best one will receive a home baked cupcake from Mariah!

Music Co-op Concert – Friday 4/12 8 to 10pm at the Town Hall – 4 acts + refreshments

Call for Kresge OL's for next year is out – Deadline to apply is 4/12

Porter chalk Festival Sat. & Sun. 4/6 & 7 in between the Porter Apartments. Refreshments.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:50pm.