# Kresge Parliament - 5/30/13

Start: 6:33 Quorum: 16 Ice Breaker: Favorite moment from Kresge Parliament this year?

#### 2013 Parliament Award

Lucas shared the Student Volunteer Center 2013 Campus Org. Award to Kresge Parliament and accompanying gift basket. Ceremony was held Wed. 5/29 at the University Center and included all the students on campus dedicated to community service. This is the third year K.P. has been recognized and the first time we got the campus award for organizations – Way to go Kresge and Franklin Williams, Service Learning instructor @ Kresge.

### **Outreach**

Community Service tabling for St. Francis Soup Kitchen Part II: Day 2 of 3 we have raised another \$90 this week for a total of \$190 from our Otter Pop donation drive at the P/K dining hall.

**Swing Force –** Lucas – no update from Risk Services.

# Candidates for 2013-2014 Chair

Rachel Finn – spoke about her high school experience with Youth + Government delegation and post as Secretary. Youth Admin at summer camp and Parl. Treasurer. She would like to provide icebreakers that are more penetrating + Parliamentary procedures that are more closely followed.

Lucas Holifield – spoke a lot – big part of Kresge for two years; Parl. Treasurer, SCOC Rep. CoCKS, OL for two years, Swing Force lead, FishRap staff. High School experience and he would like to provide many additions to Parliament including Parliamentary procedures, advertising, Constitution review, new positions: V.C., Historian, Publicity Officer & Refreshment Coord. Make an effort to include Porter transfer community, ban laptops @ mtgs., attendance follow-ups, bring projector for documents, annual review of Constitution for updates.

**Deliberations:** Parliament discussed qualifications of both candidates who stepped out of the room. Carl motioned to elect Lucas as Chair, Lyle 2nds 10 hoots, 3 abstain = Approved

**Approval of minutes:** 5/23/13 Minutes: Kelsey motions to approve minutes with corrections, Bailey 2nds, 11 Hoots, 5 Abstain = Approved. (Forks - 5-day meal plan food on 6/8 & 9.

## **Report Backs**

SUA: Lyle - Started with the new budget, Council of Chairs presented great compromises including SUA parking permit reduction = \$198. each to be used as they like, USSA membership = full \$8,000 with the stipulation they change the wording in the by-laws. The tech intern for the SUA chair & the local affairs intern have been merged. The SCOC financial proposal was accepted. The SUA budget has been approved. Next was a resolution to pathway to citizenship, which benefits student aliens who are attempting to gain full citizenship while in college. They passed the conflict free campus initiative regarding Congo mining. Then the ongoing discussion resumed on the resolution to divest from Israel companies making "war" profits: Is it an Apartheid or not? Both side spoke on their points and time ran out after midnight. Note: Resolution would be a symbolic gesture since the Office of the President will not take action one way or the other.

# **Parliament Deliberation:**

The Resolution was read aloud. A lot of conflict is over wording and should SUA approve it as is.

Should UCSC students stand up and make a statement about these human rights violations as they specifically pertain to the Israel/Palestinian conflict. No new info on the differences between the companies or financial ramifications of divestment for UC.

Carl motions 2 no & 1 yes vote for Kresge – Ariel 2nds 4 hoots, 8 abstain, 4 screeches More discussion - confusion on why this conflict is the only one being spotlighted for human rights. Rachel motions 2 no & 1 yes vote for Kresge – Jansen 2nds 4 hoots, 8 abstain, 4 screeches Discussion tabled

FORKS: Carl – Meeting @9/10 Dining Hall, removed Mountain Dew and added lemonade. Question of Pepsi vs. Coke – new contract. Dining Hall survey is out right now with prizes. 5-day meal plan holders can enter the dining hall the weekend before finals. Finals week, dining hall meals will be 3 dollars. Next meeting is 8 am at Crown/Merill and will be the last meeting of the year.

Academic Senate – Lisa – no report

SUGB: Jane - June 3<sup>rd</sup> to June 7<sup>th</sup> free breakfast will be served at the Student Union. 9:30 am to 11:30 a.m. where you can get a ticket for a Friday 5 to 7 pm free dinner.

SCOC – Lucas – A closed door session; appointments were made for next year. C4 is tomorrow – Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup> 5 – 7 p.m. at the Redwood Lounge – Quarry Plaza – great food/cake

#### Deliberations continue....

Another vote is attempted to help out SUA Reps. for their next SUA meeting on Tuesday. Lucas motions for 2 yes and 1 no, Anna 2ds. 4 Hoots. 7 Abstain. 3 Screeches = Approved.

### **Announcements:**

C4 is tomorrow at the Redwood Lounge 5 to 7. Free cake.

Kresge presents Pride is Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> – walk at noon, festival at 2pm Kresge Lower St. Walk in wilder: a short walk in wilder followed by a picnic. Sunday @ 2pm at the I Lounge. Next week is Parliament's group picture – be there...

At this, the propitious end of our glorious chair and leader Mariah's reign as head of Kresge Parliament, we gather today to not only commemorate her reign, but to begin anew. As much glory has been garnered this past year, may this glorious organization flourish even more in the next! All hail Mariah, and congratulations to Lucas, may your fame be everlasting! And so it goes.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:07pm.