

Kresge Parliament – 4/29/10

Meeting Start: 6:36 PM – No ice breaker

Quorum: 7 voting members

Guest: Jean Marie Scott – Associate Vice Chancellor, Colleges and University Housing Services

Re: Kresge East/Redwood Grove

Decisions were made quickly; housing was faced with challenges when the enrollment numbers for next year changed. Housing had to work with campus to figure out how/where they would fill bed spaces with a cut down on frosh to 3200 (500 less students); 5 million dollars of funding that would be lost if those spaces were not filled. There will still be a large number of Kresge students in the R.G. Initially Kresge East was part of Graduate Housing but there were not enough grad students to fill the space. Similarly, the J/K Apts were part of Porter but could not be filled. In addition to changes in Kresge College, there were also changes in Porter College and many colleges changing themed housing. Porter Apts will also be multi-college. There is a construction project on hold in Crown/Merrill. New Apts will replace current Apts, which will be used for inter-college housing. The construction is part of a 19,500-student enrollment increase in the long-range development plan. Will hover at 16,000 students for the time being.

Programming: where will the programming fee go/come from? Still to college affiliate or to RG? – College membership fees are in a pool of money. There's a formula- a certain amount of money comes into the college government. Housing receives a certain amount of money for each bed. Will have no effect on college government funds. Will R.G. be a part of Kresge college nights? – Not if they're not Kresge students.

Capacity: There will be more than enough capacity to house everyone who signs up. If Kresge College has an overwhelming response, housing would look to find ways to reallocate beds to Kresge. Kresge can expect 1,400/1,500 affiliated students, on par with the other colleges.

Transfer students: Next year UCSC can expect 950 transfer students (campus wide). New transfers will be placed in Porter B building. Transfers may move after fall quarter. It will be an intensive transfer-specific program. New transfer students do know about living in dorms beforehand. It has already been integrated into the transfer applications.

College system: The college system is not getting picked apart. The integrated model (ie the college system) is the best way to run a college – per Jean Marie.

Porter: Will Porter ever be just Porter students? – Not yet sure. Housing was supposed to do the best they could in the fastest time possible.

The future of East: Will we ever be getting Kresge east back? – Too soon to say

Dining: Will meal plans revert to being optional for Kresge students? – Housing will look at dining next year and reassess how the system is working and in what ways it isn't working.

Claudia Parrish from STARS and Kathy Cooney, Porter/Kresge ACAO were also present for this discussion And stayed for more Q & A - Main point: Feedback is essential from the students – speak up!

Writers House: There will be some frosh living in Porter as a part of the Kresge-campus Writers House.

Transfers: During Spring Spotlight there was a day dedicated to transfers. 80-100 transfer students attended.

Housing options: 21+ (CAs/RAs will be 21+), single gender, substance free, academic intensive, outdoor area

Dining Hall: P/K Dining Hall is only open 5 days a week. (Porter Café is now open) If we want it open more, we need to speak up and are we willing to give up something else in the budget. If we want the dining hall open more, it won't be free and we won't get asked what we'll lose (ie performance space time in the hall)

Misc: Proud of the way Parliament has conveyed their opinion in a direct and mature way. We have represented the Kresge Community and the administration has listened. Must keep up the communication and speak from the “why” and don't make accusations.

Budget Requests:

CIP didn't come to meeting

Representatives from Measure 45 want to come talk to us again.

Nestor motions for Measure 45 reps to come next week, Will seconds. Passed by consensus.

Updates

Woodstock Pizza fundraiser: Woodstock is available on Mondays in May. Kameron will set date and notify other college senates. All funding will go toward Habitat for Humanity in Chile.

Approved by consensus.

Mailroom: Kameron will be meeting with the college Provosts to discuss the status of our mailroom,

Report Backs

SUA - Nestor: Sue Matthews and Jean Marie Scott were present. Global Brigades requested \$8,000, MCF requested \$6,000 and College Republicans requested \$1,000 (didn't present). Survey results indicate that people are disappointed with current situation, will have to attend extra quarters to complete degrees etc. For elections: need 33% of student vote for referendums to pass. Academic Senate voted to not continue narrative evaluations – students can request evals, if they know to do so?

Announcements

Campus Elections 18th – 25th, anyone who wants to volunteer talk with Josh, \$25 stipends/gift cards,. Parliament can't represent/endorse any candidate running for office, Voterpalooza, May 24th at Oakes College.

Queer Fashion Show on Friday April 30th and Saturday May 1st. Tickets are \$6.00. Doors open at 8:00 and the show starts at 8:30 p.m.

Glitterball, Friday April 30th from 10:00pm to 1:00am at the Merrill Cultural Center

May Day Summit at Classroom Unit 2, on May 1st. Will discuss immigration, Dream Act etc.

Slug Slim Bike Race – Sunday, May 2nd starting at Colleges 9 + 10 – traffic will be diverted on campus Sunday morning.

Nestor motions to end meeting, Jackie seconds. Motion passed by consensus.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:03 pm

Next meeting 5/6/10, 6:30 PM, Parliament Meeting, Kresge Seminar Room 159