

Kresge Parliament – 3/1/12

Meeting Start: 6:35 Quorum: 7 Ice Breaker: No icebreaker

Budget Requests QSU – Nestor – Requesting \$300.00 for Queer Prom expenses to be held tomorrow, 3/2, in the P/K Dining Hall. Only gender inclusive forority on campus. Event allows students to express themselves in a safe environment. DJ AD and Police security expenses They have asked all colleges for support – early tickets were free - \$2 at door. Total budget \$3000. Includes decorations, beads, linens, streamers, DJ, Venue rental/tech, security, photos, advertising

Deliberations Parliament supports this event, some concern about it being tomorrow
Lyle motions to fund \$150, Cathy 2nds 5 hoots, 1 abstain **\$150 Approved**

Budget Requests for next week Kinetic Poetics /2nd request – bringing a film and Q + A session with directors – You Belong Everywhere – Portrait of a living poet – Porter Dining Hall – date?
Lyle motions for invite, Doug 2nds 1 hoot, 1 screech, 4 abstain – We need more info – will request org. resubmit their request -

Parliament Updates

Scott Berlin (head of Dining Services) has accepted our invitation and is coming next week to discuss the Owl's Nest with three additional staff members.

Meeting of the Chairs: Meeting held last Saturday, 2/25 - discussed outreach. Only three colleges (Porter, Kresge & Stevenson) showed up.

Strike Discussion - Campus closure today 3/1

The strike provided educational discussion and a concert/speakers pertaining to tuition issues. West entrance was also closed all day.

Some members of Parliament felt that the strike was ineffective and misplaced resources
Issues are not being solved and corruption is not being dealt with year after year

Question was raised, How else to get message across?

Members reminded not to use "we" as point makers

Lobbying is a better solution – VOTE!

Question was asked – could this be done without shutting access?

Idea: Camp in after school gets out in June – keep school going to get money worth...

Money waste is a concern – paid day off for many faculty and staff, contractors, vendors

Police look bad for not keeping open the access – regardless of limitations

Violent nature towards vehicles/pedestrians was not supported by organizers but happened.

Approval of minutes - No minutes

Report Backs

Academic Senate held 2/29 – Doug - Low turn out- ended early - discussed upcoming strike. Alison Galloway didn't want to appear to be against the students. Meeting was all discussion. Professor's voiced concerns over our student college preparedness and class sizes. Health care costs were discussed. Cost of living/tuition was discussed. Family Student Housing issues discussed. Student Health Center might change their business model to a pay-per-visit type model. Student Academic Senate Rep. spoke – wants campus to think more holistically -

SUA: Lyle - A letter is going to be written to EVC Galloway regarding the committee forum and the selection process for one rep for 10 colleges. Mary Virginia discussed strike/buses/etc. She requested 2-3 buses for March 5th. March 7th is hearing about education and Cal Grant GPA

changes. Amanda needs case studies. FSH Co-op resolution was passed. Constitutional Amendment concerns were discussed: how to implement transition, executive branch issues, composition of voting membership, college constitutions. overturning committee actions, Non articulated org. appointments, terms etc.

Choice was to not eliminate college representatives, but re-organizing elected constituencies. New plan is one elected college rep, one appointed college rep, student org rep, 10 representatives per division. Non-articulated organization reappointment: left as is. There are no term limits or two-year terms. Executive: people had concerns about veto power. Agreed to lose right to veto if you miss two meetings. Requires two or three executives to veto instead of 2/3. Overturning committee actions: no conclusion. Next week they are deciding whether to implement the constitutional amendments.- going to be a very long meeting....

SOFA: Doug – 3of 7 requests presented and discussed- Vietnamese Student Association \$500. The Vagina Organization/ Monologues at Stevenson Event Center March 9-11 \$1,200 Familia Equis \$1,600 for Queer People of Color Conference March 30-April 1. Delta Sigma Theta received \$550 for Collegiate Retreat for four students – due to quorum issue last week – approved in absence. Dedicated 32% of total budget so far. – Clarified quorum is 7 including Amanda.

Announcements:

Ed Talks – Tuesday, 3/6 6pm-8pm in the Kresge Town Hall – 3 speakers
KMEC/PRIDE Planning – Wednesdays – 6 p.m. Student Lounge
CoCKS – Sundays – 6 p.m. Student Lounge

Meeting Adjourned: 8:05 p.m.