Kresge Parliament – 12/6/12

Start: 6:32  Quorum: 13  Ice Breaker: What are you most looking forward to on winter break?

Budget Request next mtg: Red Wheelbarrow, the student publication, is requesting $400. for printing expenses associated with their free booklets. Lucas motions to invite, Kelsey 2nds 10 hoots, 1 abstain = Approved

Outreach: Last week, Parliament voted to purchase custom gavel pencils for outreach. Pencil color and ink lettering colors were discussed with a vote coming down to blue pencils with gold lettering Daniel motions to fund NTE $400. Lyle 2nds 10 hoots, 2 abstain = Approved

2013 Parliament Representative Nominations:
   Secretary: Aimee has stepped down. Mariah nominates Matthew Pilgrim 10 hoots, 1 abstain, 1 screech = Matthew Approved
   Core Council Rep: Anna has conflicting class next quarter so she is stepping down – Rep. appointment is limited as proposal to disband Core is up for vote at Jan. meeting. Lyle volunteers 9 hoots, 1 abstain, 1 screech = Lyle Approved
   SUA Rep: Aimee’s appointment was for fall quarter only. Mariah nominates Kelsey Rousseve 9 hoots, 2 abstain = Kelsey Approved
   Academic Senate Rep.: Scotty has stepped down. Next meeting is 1.30.12 at 2:30 p.m. at Stevenson Event Ctr. Nomination was tabled until next meeting.

Provost Proposal: Last meeting Juan spoke to the membership regarding student engagement and the opening of Common Ground, a joint effort between our faculty/students to combine efforts to bring more programming to Kresge with an academic nature - one goal - to improve the reputation of our community campus wide. He asked the membership to get involved with Common Ground activities and to possibly become a stakeholder by producing an additional program per quarter in support of this mission.

Parliament discussed the pros & cons of committing to another program. We currently attend our weekly meetings, 10 members for 6 committees also attend another meeting as representatives to Parliament and we are already committed to a community service project each quarter. Generally, student government is not a programming body but a political body providing a voice for all the students through discussion, deliberation, representation and funding. Perhaps, this request would be a better fit for our 12 Kresge Community Assistants and/or KMEC (Kresge’s Multicultural Education Committee) These two teams produce educational programming and KMEC has access to a similar budget as Parliament. The membership discussed the “Town Hall” format of inviting the entire community to one of our Thurs. meetings and there was general support for this idea. Possible topics: the swing set proposal and spring elections. So, at this time, Parliament is not willing to commit to another program but we are in support of Common Ground and invite any community members to attend Parliament.

Parliament Updates: Swing Force Committee members (Lucas, Carl & Lyle, Anna) met with CAO Mike Yamauchi-Gleason and Provost Juan Poblete to go over the plan to install a tire swing in the Kresge Meadow. The goal to bring awareness of our meadow space and create a communal space for students to interact outside the classroom. Safety issues are a major concern for Mike and Juan would like to see the addition of permanent seating to enhance the plan. Lucas will continue writing up the proposal including budget. Carl created a graphic showing one tire swing surrounded by a continual, half circle bench. Committee is still open to ideas so send your constructive thoughts to Lucas @ lholfie@ucsc.edu
Fundraising will be a big aspect of plan – suggestion was made to sell “name bricks/tiles” for the bench to help raise the necessary money to complete this project. Naming the bench area for a larger donation, also an idea.

Approval of minutes: 11.27.12 minutes approved with the SUA report back correction – Bone Marrow Registration Drive funding was discussed not yet approved as of 11/27. 8 hoots, 5 abstain = Approved

Report Backs: SUA – Lyle – Not a long meeting – Discussed the Library Survey that is out - submission deadline is tomorrow (3rd – 7th) After a lengthy discussion, a Treasurer was approved; Eric Rueben. Slug shuttle up and running with TAPS temporary financial support but rides are filling up fast - reserve your seat ASAP.

SCOC – Lucas – C4 was successful, all three of our SUA representatives attended. Porter/Kresge SCOC reps. will host their Carnival outreach event on Saturday, Jan. 26th in the Kresge Town Hall from 3 – 5 p.m. Volunteers are needed and welcome - please talk to Lucas.

Announcements: Late Night Breakfast – this Sunday at 11 p.m. in the Town Hall
The CA’s will be hosting a Casino Night in February – James Bond theme.
The January College night is 1/30 in the P/K Dining Hall. Theme is Breakfast in America.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:20 p.m. Happy Holidays!