

Kresge Parliament – 5/22/14

Meeting Start: 6:34 Quorum: 11 Ice Breaker: What are you doing for the long weekend?

Budget Request: Black Sistahs' United (no show, didn't receive a reply from them?)

Budget Requests for next week: none

Parliament Updates:

-Logo Design for mug order: Lucas came up with some type options and showed us what the logo would look like cup sized. Gul motioned to approve \$310 for 108 mugs, Anna 2nds, 11 Hoots = Approved.

-Parliament was again nominated for a Volunteer Center Service Award. Ceremony is Wed. may 28th 5-7 at Terra Fresca, Alumni Room. Bailey, Lyle, and Bethani will go as representatives.

-Parliament's amended Constitution passed during the campus elections by 80% so we have a new Constitution now that includes new officer positions for 2014-2015.

-Nominations for 2014-2015 Chair and Vice Chair: Lucas talked about each of the positions before nominations. Lucas nominated Lyle for Chair, Bailey nominated herself for Chair, Anna nominated herself for Chair and Lucas and Carl nominated themselves for Vice Chair. Each nominee will present next week as to why they would best represent Kresge Parliament.

-Owl's Nest Manager, Jeff Wildenboer, will visit Parliament next week for year-end summery. Bailey asked how people feel about the food right now? Owl's Nest has had a huge employee loss and are having consistency issues; portions are off, employees may not be fully trained and cost concerns. Six cheese sticks for about \$3, too expensive. The smoothies are pretty expensive, maybe offer a half size. Banana Joes has a lot of great vegan/vegetarian options that are not at the Owl's Nest. More pasta options would be good. Coconut flan was delicious and the banana splits last year were very good. Curious about Coke vs. Pepsi contract.

-Outgoing SUA Chair Shaz will also be coming by to visit with the new Chair, Justin Lardinois.

Report Backs:

-**FORKS:** Carl was unable to go to meeting this a.m.

-**SUA:** Miina, Gul, Winnie – iclickers loan program approved for S & E Library; Space Concert w/ DJ Friday at 9/10 Lounge; Upper Quarry restoration project presentation looked very good and making great progress but they will need money to execute the plan, \$6 million (phase 1 Access) \$7.5 million (phase 2 Buildings), New plan is ADA compliant; they will not be getting rid of the big stage boulder, it will obstruct some seat views. Hoping for "Name" donor to step up. Compassion Resolution was presented; CJP presented, with 25 members, an updated version of their Resolution; University Socially Responsible Investment", now comparing their struggle as an apartheid but not explicitly saying it is an apartheid; Counter point made that at any given moment, the Regents stock portfolio changes like a snap shot. Some controversial companies are no longer even included so our representatives are going to ask why they are bringing this up again; neutrality is important; how does Kresge want to vote? SUA Rep Miina feels that there is no need to pass this resolution based on observation, it is upsetting too many people in our community and the Regents are not obligated to follow the vote and excluding other student views is never the answer. Gul and Winnie feel the same. Jansen motions to vote three "no's", Lyle 2nds, 11 Hoots = Approved. SUA Officer Pay Resolution presented asking for a drop in pay by 25%, which would be \$750 a month, a savings of only \$1500; officers do get paid a lot but Santa Cruz is an expensive place to live and officer positions are a full-time job; officers put in a lot of work and time; It was presented as Porter Senate supported but this is not true; Parliament wants our reps to vote "no"

on the Resolution. Discussed USSA membership fees again, Gul feels we should be part of USSA because it would be beneficial to the campus. They do a lot of great work in the policy realm that benefits all students in many ways. A spending cap is being considered.

-SUGB: Tara didn't go because she had a doctor's appointment. Her event Finals Breakfast is the Friday before finals.

-SCOC: Jansen - Casino Night for 8/Oakes, planning to have a DJ, May 23rd 9pm-12am Oakes Learning Center and Guzman Room. C4 will be happening May 30th South Western dinner 5-7 pm Cervantes-Velasquez Room above the Bay Tree Bookstore, they will be electing members of the steering committee, if we want to be on the committee, you must be nominated by an SCOC member. People can also start applying for committee membership on committees – see Jansen.

-Academic Senate: Sawyer - Hiring 16 additional faculty. Chancellor Blumenthall spoke, working on long-term plan for campus, Naplitano is in agreement. Funding campaign going well = goal \$300 million is at \$70 million for campus, with additional \$150 million. Admissions trying to increase Academic preparedness for frosh, trying to predict what kind of GPA they should have if they attend UCSC. Trying to do own scoring instead of copying UCLA and Berkeley. Trying to get more funding from out of state students and international students. Increasing preparedness of transfer students. Trying to make appeals process simpler. Comm. on Comm clarified process for approving members, On-line class value was discussed, Retirement plans/payments and daycare issues discussed. More affordable options are needed. Berkeley has a great day care model but UCSC has had many recent cut backs due to budget issues.

Approval of Minutes: 5.15.14 Jeff "Wildenboer" not "boar", Miina motions to approve the minutes with correction, Tara 2nds, 7 Hoots, 2 abstain, 1 Screech = Approved.

Announcements

-Volunteers for PRIDE, orientations are May 28th, 5 pm Seminar Room or May 29th, 12 pm in Kresge Student Lounge.

-Carl's Mug painting: Wed. May 28th 2-3:30 pm - Kresge Upper Street while supplies last

Meeting Adjourned: 8:05 p.m.