

Kresge Parliament – 5/29/14

Meeting Start: 6:34 **Quorum #:** 11 **Ice Breaker:** What's your favorite thing about Lucas?

Updates: Owl's Nest Manager is unable to attend this evening and is out of town next week. SUA Chair Shaz Umer is coming for one last visit tonight around 7 p.m.

Treasurer's Report: Jansen - Parliament has \$1231.98 remaining in our budget for this year.

Election of Chair:

Anna Dobrokhodova has rescinded her nomination for the 2014-2015 Chair position.

The two remaining candidates, Bailey Scott & Lyle Green-Nickerson, both gave their presentations on their qualifications for the job.

Bailey spoke about her qualities; outgoing, reliable, good communicator. She would like to see more community service from the Kresge Community, she would encourage Parliament to reach out to Frosh by tabling in the fall. She volunteered for each of our Community Service projects, passionate about giving back to college she loves, served as Parliament Treasurer, served on Study Center and Meadow Committee this year. She is a dedicated student and Parliament member.

Lyle spoke about her qualifications; she has served as Secretary, SUA Rep. Core Council and Academic Senate Rep. She loves Parliament and has been an active member for three years. Her skill set and knowledge will help run efficient meetings, she will push for outreach and engagement and is very excited about our new Current Events position. As a second year CA, she knows she has the time to commit to Parliament next year.

Parliament discussed the two candidates—Gul motioned to elect Lyle, Bethani 2nd 9 Hoots = Approved

Owl's Nest Discussion

With the manager unable to attend, Parliament discussed the positive and negative sides of this year at the Nest and Anna volunteered to send a letter to Jeff on Parliaments behalf.

Pros: Rice bowls have been good. The specials have been very good and desserts, coconut flan and the green smoothies. The items in bulk are great. Sandwiches have been good this year. Going back to the original menu has been very successful evident by the long lines. Gluten free teriyaki is awesome. The art and new furniture has given a nice atmosphere to the space.

Cons: Concerned about how they do not cater to \$8 meal swipes, The Boba can be too sweet, or Consistency of portions needs to be addressed especially between to go and stay in orders. The smoothies can be predominantly one flavor and not mixed all the way. Crepes should be thinner. No gluten free break choice, Acai bowls have not been consistent portion sizes.

Suggestions: have a choice with milk or soymilk, offer half sized smoothies at half the price, change from Pepsi to Coke contract, more vegetarian and vegan options.

Report Backs:

SUGB: Tara - Did not meet this week. Pool/Ping pong event tomorrow (Friday), bring a partner, Student Union Building 2pm Prizes include G.C's to Bookstore and chocolate.

SCOC: Jansen - Starting to get new appointments for next year done, so if anyone wants to be a part of a committee, start applying now for next year. Tomorrow C4 5-7pm, Cervantes-Velasquez Room above the Bookstore. Planning to dress-up semi-formal. Oakes/8 Sister SCOC event happened – small turn out for their casino night. Kresge/Porter had the biggest turnout of SCOC events this year – yeah! Steering Comm. electing officers for next year – candidates need to be nominated by a current member.

Guest: Shaz Umer – SUA Chair

Shaz made a special effort to visit Parliament one more time even though Tuesdays SUA meeting has him embroiled in the Israel Divestment Resolution controversy and the UAW Strike talks. Gave a BIG thank you to Parliament, our SUA Representatives and our staff advisor. He really appreciates our time and support throughout the year. It was his privilege being Chair of SUA. He will be returning in the fall to finish his course work. One last event for the old and new Chairs – lunch with the Chancellor on Tuesday, June 3rd – email invite coming soon.

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SUA: Miina, Gul, Winnie – Last meeting Tuesday from 8 p.m. – 3 a.m. to discuss and approve the budget for next year and discuss and vote on the CJP Israel Divestment Resolution.

The budget balanced with a new general programming fund of \$26,000. Members will be able to ask for no more than 10% at a time – basically SOFA rules. Still USSA Member but not Leg. Com. – the one is more beneficial and affordable for UCSC. Resolution to lower Officer pay from \$1000. to \$750. did not pass after another long discussion – new points included tax consequences and actual workload. The Compassionate University Resolution passed, of course.

CJP was given 2 hours for comment on their Resolution. It was a very emotional and intense discussion – the gallery of their supporters went 5 rows deep. Finally, a vote was taken, Kresge voted 2 no, 1 abstain. The Resolution did not pass the 2/3 threshold so further discussion took over the SUA. And then the by laws were suspended and a second vote took place – Kresge voted 3 no. The Resolution passed 50% with everyone upset and confused by the outcome. Our SUA Representatives reported SUA was not a safe space, there was so much anger even with the presence of campus police. One of our Reps. also reported being confronted outside of the meeting by a CJP supporter who berated her for the Kresge Parliament vote. Also of note; there is no campus escort service available at 3 a.m. in the morning.

FORKS: Carl – no report, had to study.

Update: Volunteer Center Awards Dinner

Kresge Parliament was again awarded for our group community service this year. We were nominated by Franklin Williams, Kresge Service Learning Instructor. Lyle and Bethani represented at the dinner held Wed. May 28th from 5 -7 p.m. in the 9/10 Alumni Room next to Terra Fresca. We received a certificate, a \$20 gift certificate and muffin making supplies. Great job Kresge!!!

Election of Vice Chair:

Our two candidates, Carl Eadler and Lucas Holifield, spoke about their qualifications for the new position.

Carl spoke about his readiness to step up. His Program Assistant position supporting this role, being a faithful member, only taking 17 units next year and having the time to volunteer for Kresge.

Lucas spoke about creating the new position, his experience to fulfill the position including being Chair, his passion for the success of this new role, his three years as a member with normal class load. Parliament discussed the two candidates, Tara motioned to elect Lucas, Miina 2nd, 6 Hoots, 4 Abstain = Approved.

Approval of minutes 5/22/14: Anna's name was spelled with 1 "n". Jansen motions to approve the minutes with correction, Anna 2nd 8 Hoots, 1 Abstain, 1 Screech = Approved.

Announcements:

-Friday May 30 - Queer Prom - 9/10 Multicultural Purpose Room, tickets \$5 for two, \$3 for only one person, and \$7 at the door for two people.

-Friday, May 30 – UCSC OPERS Spring dance classes show – 8 p.m. OPERS dance studio

-Fri./Sat./Sun. Theater options; Tartuffe, Rent, Stupid Fucking Bird 7:30 p.m. (Sun. 3 p.m.)

- Saturday May 31st Kresge presents PRIDE – 12 noon parade, 2 p.m. festival on Lower St.

- Saturday, 5/31 Midnight Movie: Zoolander performed by Slugs in Fishnets

- Wed, June 4th – Kresge Pizza Party 5-6:30 pm at Kresge Town Hall – ceramic owl painting -

Need volunteers for Kresge Commencement Saturday June 14th, talk to Pam Ackerman at the Programs Office for more information. Late move out on Sunday, June 15th.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:01 pm