Kresge Parliament – 03/05/15

Start: 6:32 pm   Quorum: 13   Ice Breaker: What are you most proud of?

**Budget Requests**: National Society of Black Engineers – Denzel
NSBE is seeking $500 to help sponsor the 15-16 students who will be attending the 41st Annual NSBE Convention held this year in Anaheim March 25 – 29. NSBE holds weekly meetings with a goal of increasing the number of black professionals. The Org. is more known back east and has chapters in the most states with the lowest number of members. Members give back by mentoring students and community service. The conference includes workshops, seminars, networking and a career fair with big name companies. Not sure how many Kresge students are going and not sure if funding can be used for registration?

Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers – Nine of their members will attend a conference in Merced March 13th – 15th, three of which are Kresge affiliates. They are seeking $500 to refund members for their registration fees. The conference, total budget $1050, will allow them to meet members from other North Cal schools interested in engineering as well as attend workshops. They are also fundraising by tabling and having a MESA Day. Reg. fee alone was $46. - $49. each.

**Deliberations**: National Society of Black Engineers – Good presentation but we would like to contact the org. lead to ask who many Kresge students are involved and if funding can go towards reg. fees. Shannon motions to table until next week, Jackie 2nds. 12 Hoots, 1 Abstain = Approved.

Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers – Presentation was not as complete but 1/3 of attendees are Kresge. Shannon motions to fund $150 with the stipulation that it go to registration fees only, Nick 2nds. 11 Hoots, 1 Screech, 1 Abstain = Approved. $150.

**Potential Guests**: Access 4 All – Health Center referendum supporters would like to come talk about the importance of funding this $110. fee per quarter, per student. Would allow Health Center access for all students with only a small percentage of students actually having to pay the fee due to return to aid figures. Carl motions to invite start of spring quarter, Shannon 2nds. 12 Hoots, 1 Abstain = Approved.

Green Building Student Alliance – They would like to speak to Parliament about sustainable building they would like to see on campus especially the west side envision project. Tara motions to invite start of spring quarter, Florence 2nds. 12 Hoots, 1 Abstain = Approved.

**Funding Request for next week**: Smith Renaissance Society – They are seeking $250 to help host a field trip event for local foster kids to come to UCSC to promote higher education. A meal, transportation and entertainment will be provided. Bethani motions to invite, Carl 2nds. 13 Hoots, = Approved.

**Community Service**: Parliament has decided to save the funds raised through our winter tabling day and add it to our Spring Quarter community service project – TBA.

**Parliament Business**: We need a new Academic Senate Rep. for April 22nd and May 29th from 2:30-5 pm at Stevenson Event Center. Shannon and Carl both volunteer. Parliament discussed the qualifications of both candidates. Tara motioned to elect Carl as the new Academic Senate Rep, Nick 2nds. 11 Hoots, 2 Abstain = Approved.

Student Government Referendum – Pam – College Programs Coordinators are looking to increase the student government fee from $10 per quarter to $12. The increase is needed because the cost of all things supported by this fee has gone up in the last 15 years. (Commencement, Orientation, student staff salaries etc.) If the majority of student governments approve, the referendum will be
proposed for the 2016 election. Parliament is in favor of this small increase.

Approval of minutes: 2/26/15. Shannon motions to approve the minutes, Tara 2nds. 8 Hoots, 1 Screech, 4 Abstain = Approved.

Report Backs:
Council of Chairs – Lyle – COC would like to host an even for all members of student government to mingle with each other, while providing workshops and food. They would also like people to submit designs for advertising the event. Although the event is scheduled to be on April 25th, it is subject to change.

SUGB – Tara – SUGB has pushed the date of their “Open House” to Monday, March 9th from 12-2 pm. They are still working on the Resisting the Pit campaign and are looking at many locations as a possible temporary home for organizations and clubs in the Student Union Building. Additionally, they have funded themselves for needed computer repairs for all student use in the SU.

SUA – Shannon – SUA has made a resolution to leave out the incident that occurred in Kresge a month ago for the Solidarity with LGBTQ event. Additionally, they have taken out the signing portion where it is asked that signers specify their gender.

SFAC – Carl – Meeting was used as a team builder for members. Also attended the Fee Advisory Committee meeting. They reviewed lab and art studio fees. Some course fees have been lowered but there has been a small net increase in overall course fees.

SUA – Shannon, Jackie, Winnie –Updated the Solidarity/Support Petition for the Chancellor – removed the specific college name of Kresge and the question regarding gender identity. An awkward presentation with the Cycling Club regarding their funding request. Discussed Tuesdays protest that shut down HWY 17 & HWY 1.

World Café: Jackie - Monday the meeting “Designing Kresge” is open to all 5 – 7 p.m. in Seminar Rm. 159. There will be a presentation from the Long Range Development Committee followed by dinner.

Announcements:
Fri. 3/06 “Science and Art Open Mic”: Town Hall, 7 – 9 pm
Fri. 3/06 Celebration for Porter Squiggle Restoration 1 – 3 pm.
Fri. 3/06 C4: Committee Reporting & Food - Cervantes Room, Quarry Plaza building 5:30 pm
Mon. 3/09 World Café “Designing Kresge”: Seminar Room 159, 7 – 8 pm
Mon. 3/09 Dream Catchers: craft event in the Student Lounge, 7 – 8:30 pm
Fri. 3/13 Math Club - Approximately Pi Day event: Science Hill, 9 – 5 pm
Mon. 3/16 Finals Breakfast: Student Union Building, 10 am
Mon. 3/16 CARE Fundraiser: Coffee for sale at the Science & Engineering Library

Meeting Adjourned: 7:50 p.m.