Kresge Parliament – 1/28/16

Start: 6:30 p.m. Quorum: 14 Ice Breaker: What did you want to be when you grew up and what about now?

Guests: Seamus – SUA VP Academic Affairs

Here to promote the class survey – sent out this week to find out important opinions on class enrollment issues. Goal is to have 2000 submissions – looks long but is only about 10 pages. Survey will chart how things are working presently and hopefully improve the future. Currently we have three stages for classes – closed, shuffling and enrolled. 1 of 3 students enrolled in a class plan to drop, drops prompt movement, waitlists and issues for crashers. 56.9% get their classes, 29.9% get 2 classes and 14% are unable to enroll. Of the 25% who crash, 69.1% eventually get in the class – good but not great. Shuffling gets you behind with quizzes and homework assignments. Additionally, the online system is clunky – not unusual to wait 5 minutes & the refresh button is scary. The site crashes on sign up days, is confusing with credit caps and enrollment codes. 64% believe they are not on track to graduate in 4 years even though the University promises a 4-year education. In the future, we need more money to fix the sign up system, create more classes, hire more teachers and TA's. Survey results will help with this argument. So TAKE THE SURVEY!!!! Those who submit the survey are entered into a raffle for Boardwalk tickets and Baytree G.C's. Seamus will email the power point presentation and the previous survey data.

Budget Requests: Scientific Slug Magazine – Alex and Dani Science research and art mag going to annual format from 2 per year. Requesting an additional \$300. to help expand to 40 pages and 900 copies. Budget is \$4,461. still need \$1,161. Both presenters are Kresgians, they meet weekly and will distribute here at Kresge College.

Deliberations: Good quality, asking for 2nd time this year – already gave them \$150. Submissions are from attending group members some are Kresge. Hana Motions to fund them \$50. Florence 2nds 7 Hoots, 3 Screeches, 4 Abstain = Approved.

Budget Requests for next week: CSA Lunar New Year Banquet – (Chinese Student Association) Requesting \$800. of a \$4800. budget to help with expenses for their annual celebration. Expecting 250 students and will be selling tickets. No date, time or location included? Jansen motions to invite with needed details to come, Jackie 2nds 8 Hoots, 1 Screech, 4 Abstain = Approved.

Fish Rap Live – school paper requesting \$300. for their expenses publishing 3 issues per qtr. High readership and credit for sponsors. Sawyer motions to invite, Sam 2nds 7 Hoots, 7 Abstain = Approved.

Parliament Updates: Secretary – Max is unable to attend every meeting due to an internship. We need a new Secretary – no volunteers at present...

Calpirg presentation debrief: Resolution to lower threshold of paying members from 20% to 15%. Parliament feels they harass students a lot and are not popular. It is also hard to opt out once you join. Therefore, Kresge's two SUA representative will vote no on the resolution. Jansen motions, Britny 2nds 12 Hoots, 2 Abstain = Approved.

Winter Community Service – St. Francis Soup Kitchen – Carl has sent a Doodle looking for 3 students per a day to volunteer. Please fill out for next week.

The RA's have submitted a letter of request for prizes for their Casino Night Feb. 19th. Hoping Parliament will provide some swag for the event. Letter attached.

Parliament supports this all Kresge event and would like to provide 4 combo packs: cup, pencil and magnet. Jansen motions 11 Hoots, 2 Abstain = Approved.

Clarification – Max is also a SUA Rep. The Constitutions states all SUA Rep's. will attend all Parliament meetings. VC Sawyer confirms. Alternate Hana King is willing to step up as needed. Jansen motions for a switcheroo, Jackie 2nds 7 Hoots, 7 Abstain = Approved. Note: SOFA meets on Wednesday – Hana and Max will work out those details.

Academic Senate – meets once this quarter – Friday, Feb. 12th 2:30 – 5 p.m. at the Stevenson Event Center – we need a representative – Sam Cardenas volunteers – thank you Sam!

Approval of minutes: 1.21.16 – Correction: Calpirg is not a student run org. it is state run with paid staffers. Jackie motions to approve, Sawyer 2nds 11 Hoots, 3 Abstain = Approved.

Report Backs: SUGB – Juan – Recap of last year, update on budget. Working to split budget from OPERS currently 70/30. Working on language for ballot entry. Presenting to SFAC.

Council of Chairs – Carl – Both our Chair and VC were unable to attend last meeting. Planning a UCSC student government mixer at the MPR 9/10. More info to come.

SCOC – Hana – New officer appointed to fill Jansen's position, still open committees in need of student representation. Apply through the SUA@ucsc.edu - Committees, SCOC, How to apply. Reminder – Oakes/8 outreach event is tomorrow – 1/29 with free tacos and a raffle.

21 Days of Kindness – group meeting next week before Parliament.

SUA – Jackie, Liza & Hana – Meeting ended at 9:30 p.m. – yeah. Seamus presented about the class survey, Colleges Against Cancer requesting \$3000. for Relay for Life on May 5th weekend. 9/10 Garden request for \$4000. Funded with their goal to de-colonize our food habits (don't support big food supply businesses) Discussed limiting the stack rule, discussed moving around budget items, Bone Marrow Donor event presented a video – fully funded at \$1320.

Current Events: Liza – Local: New Brighten Beach got a sinkhole this week from heavy rains and huge tides coinciding. It is 60 feet wide. Nation: Zika Virus is now a WOW epidemic coming from Brazil. Mosquitos are the source and it goes undetected in host. Causes birth defects mainly small head sizes. Bizarre: Breast milk jewelry is now available from a Texas artist. The milk is refrigerated with a preservative, then shaped, colored and top coated for wearing – go moms!

Announcements: Next week Mike Y. G. will be our guest, please think of questions for him. Sat. 30th – Inside Out – the movie at Cowell/Stev. Dining hall – 7 p.m. – free Wed. 3rd – DIY Lanterns – 7:30–9 p.m. Town Hall – supplies provided Fri. 5th – Kresge Strikes Back – laser tag – 7-9 p.m. Town Hall Sun. 7th – Big Game Bash – super bowl party – 3:30 p.m. Town Hall – refreshments

Meeting Adjourned: 8:08 p.m.