**Kresge Parliament – 3/31/16**

Start: 6:36  Quorum: 11  Ice Breaker: 1 thing you’re looking forward to cleaning up (literally or figuratively) this spring?

**Budget Requests:** Annual UCSC Campus Cleanup – Bella from Zero Waste
She passed around their budget and stats from their event last year. The goal of this event is to clean the campus and to bring up the issue of the amount of waste around campus. They want to educate people on the subject of keeping the campus clean and how to reduce waste. They will give a t-shirt to everyone who participates in the event. They also would like to feed their volunteers. Money would be given to the Zero Waste Team (under the Sustainability Office). Q. Are you doing industrial composting? A. Yes Q. How do you volunteer? A. I just created a registration form on our Facebook page and will send them to all governments. Q. Are you requesting funds from SUA? A. We did and we did not receive any from them. Q. Is it just the Zero Waste Team doing this? A. As far as official orgs, the SSA’s are working with us and independent, passionate volunteers. Budget $1800. Requesting $200.

6th Annual UCSC Bone Marrow Donor Drive – Alexis, Crown Chair
They are spreading the word and encouraging volunteers for this event. It will be 10:30 – 4:30 p.m. on April 13th at the Porter Hitchcock Lounge and on the 14th at the Namaste Lounge. People will be swabbed to see if they are eligible donors and added to the national registry. Hope to make people aware of how bone marrow donation is easy and pain free. 3 of 4 matching donors will have blood transfusions, the 4th a procedure with anesthesia. The second part is advocacy to change the rule for who can donate. More info: deletebloodcancer.org. Contact them if you would like to be a part of the advocacy staff or show up at the event and sign up to volunteer day of. This event is funded by SUA. All volunteers get a red tee.

**Deliberations:** Shane reports that we currently have $2043 (this includes carryover) for spring qrt.
Annual Cleanup: Really cool and fun. Close to Kresge’s heart as we are more “forested” than the other colleges. They came last year to talk about the event but did not request funds. $150 seems appropriate with other colleges chipping in. Stipulation: Cannot be used for food. Tara motions to fund $150 with the stipulation, Hana 2nds. 6 Hoots, 4 Abstain = Approved.

**Parliament Updates:**
- The Seminar Room 159, the place Parliament usually meets, has gone through some renovations over spring break. However, they were not exactly for the better. With its new wooden floor, it has become difficult to hold our meetings in there and we have had to move to the Student Lounge for our meeting. Our Provost was in charge of the renovations and we will write a letter to him with our concerns. Juan motions to have the Activities Office reserve the Student Lounge for Parliament meetings until the acoustics in the Seminar Room are fixed, Hana 2nds 10 Hoots = Approved.

- 21 Days of Kindness: Carl - Meetings are at 5pm on Mondays; the next meeting will be in Pam’s office. The goal being that we have our community pledge to do 5 acts of kindness every day for 21 days. Almost all the events for 21 Days are just about finalized and ready to go. Tabling 12-5 on April 4th & 5th with a Kindness Gathering at 5 p.m. next Friday (8th). Another event TBD on April 14th and an Open Mic at the end of the 3 weeks 4/24. Mike Yamamura-Gleason suggests we use carry forward funding for refreshments & supplies. ($50 would be for food for Gathering, $50 for refreshment for an Open Mic 4/24 with a $100 dollar buffer for miscellaneous expenses. Non-Kresgians can be a part of Secret Owl, although we expect mostly Kresgians and Porter people. The campus wide email for 21 Days will go out on Monday. Jackie motions to use the carry forward to fund $200 towards Kresge’s 21 Days of Kindness, Juan 2nds. 7 Hoots, 3 Abstain = Approved.

- Volunteers for tabling and Gathering: Carl has sent out a sheet in an email for volunteers to sign up and brought a paper copy. Carl will make a Google doc and share it with everyone including phone numbers.

Open Mic 4/24: We agreed to have the open mic from 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm. on Upper St., rain location Town Hall. Check your calendars to see if you can volunteer between 6:30 – 10 p.m.

- Council of Chairs: They are planning to have another cross college event. They would like to have a student summit this quarter on April 14th at the Stevenson event center. They are asking $100 from each college, making it $1000 cumulatively. The money should be sent to College 8. With a keynote speaker, they are expecting approx. 200 students from ethnic orgs, colleges govs. and guests from others orgs. The food is planned to be from Santa Cruz Taqueria. However, reports from Carl says that this is not very organized with emails like “Do we have a keynote speaker yet?” Other than food, we do not know where the money is going. Their intent is good, but we require more concrete details. We have decided to request a budget and table the funding request for next week.
Spring Community Service: Franklin is coming next week to talk to us about the 2016 Community Service Day April 16th from 9:30 – 1:30 p.m. The day includes cleaning at the St. Francis soup kitchen, Bay View Elementary, Del Mar Elementary and the Homeless Garden Project. We can have this be associated with Parliament’s showing of kindness/volunteer service this quarter. Any interest is cleaning Bay View at the bottom of the hill that Saturday = Yes, 6 students have volunteered so far.

Parliament Business Dinner: Our annual spring dinner is coming up soon. We had the choice between April 28th and May 5th for the date and after methodically choosing to have a game of rock-scissors-paper to decide, the date will by April 28th during our regular meeting time. Tara motions, Hana 2nds, 10 Hoots, 1 Abstain = Approved. Carl, Tara and Pam all have cars. We still need to pick a location included in the CruzBuy system. Suggestions include: Mobo Sushi, Ponos Hawaiian Grill, Palomar and Saturn Cafe. Juan motions to table, Sawyer seconds.

SUA rep: With Liza having to step down last quarter, we have an available third SUA rep. position. We have had alternates go temporarily. Tara has a different schedule this quarter and is willing to volunteer. Juan motions for Tara, Hana 2nds. 10 Hoots, 1 Abstain = Approved.

Approval of minutes: Correction “Turn Down for Watt”. Sawyer motions to approve with the correction, Tara seconds. 8 Hoots, 3 Abstain = Approved.

Report Backs:
-SUA: Hana, Jackie, and Max - The co-ed/multi gender bedroom proposal got tabled until next week. They spoke about funding and logistics for this year’s QTPOC (Queer Trans People of Color) Conference, which will be at UCB. SUA wants to take over operations of the Stevenson Coffeehouse to prevent it from being run by Dining Services.. The SUA body as a whole was very excited. They want to sell alcohol to cover costs and have a “Thirsty Thursday”. Parliament’s reaction was mixed.

-SCOC: Hana - Committee on International Education - appointed 1, Committee on Academic Freedom - denied 1, Natural Reserves - appointed 1, Campus Housing Planning Committee - denied due to no available positions. C4’s spring event will be in June, accepting suggestions for food vendor. We suggest Pacific Thai or Pono’s. The Porter/Kresge SCOC outreach event will be an art show at the Bridge Gallery May 6th. A call for artist work coming soon. Large budget for food.

-SUGB: Juan – Strategy meeting for spring quarter.
-Current Events: Liza – Local - A trio of thieves have stolen $3000 worth of Mach Razors from our local Costco. Surveillance caught the two men and one woman stealing and walking out of the store. California: UC has been called out for not serving Californians – too many out of state/international students who are admitted under separate standards. Bizarre: Laura Eisenhower, a descendant of President Eisenhower, has concluded that vegan diets will increase our chance of meeting “sky beings”. Although not a vegan herself, the spiritual healer also says blessing our meals is important as well.

-Elections: Election season is coming up and we are required to have a college Elections Commissioner by April 7th. There is a small/medium time commitment with a stipend. Max and Sawyer are interested in the position. Vote will be next week.

Announcements:
Wed. 4/7 - KMEC PRIDE Forum – Town Hall 7 – 8:30 p.m. All are invited and encourage to attend.
Weekly meetings in the Student Lounge – PRIDE 7 p.m. KMEC 8 p.m.
Fri. 4/8 – DIY Apple Pies – Town Hall – 7 – 8:30 p.m. – come make a self serving in a jam jar.

-A UCSC Equestrian team rider is going to zone finals and if they place first or second, will go to Nationals.
- ESLP Monday night lecture series in Town Hall. The class meets from 7pm to 9:30pm weekly.
- Franklin Williams and the Kresge Envisioning subcontractors from New York will be our guests next week
-Carl attached the SUA meet n’ greet meeting info to your last email. Several opportunities to participate.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:08pm