Kresge Parliament – 4/7/16

Start: 6:34  Quorum: 13  Ice Breaker: What was the deciding moment that made you choose your major?

Guests: Jolie Kerns of Kresge Envisioning had to reschedule and Franklin Williams was a no show. SUA - Julie and Sarah
They came to tell us about the upcoming LRDP open meeting here next week. Since Kresge is getting renovated, we should be informed. This next meeting is about redevelopment in general and more information on what is capping our enrollment. It will be in Seminar 159 here in Kresge with Sarah Latham, Dean Fitch and Felix Ang. The next meetings will be about student life, transportation and one with the Chancellor and EVC.
Q. When is the LRDP meeting? A. April 11th from 5:30pm to 7:30pm in 159
Q. Isn’t there a book about LRDP in general? A. Yes, and it's big on the internet.

Budget Requests for next week: Queer Fashion Show (QFS):
QFS is an annual event that is widely known and very popular. The show is very empowering and positively affects all students, not just LGBT community. The dates this year are May 11th, 13th, and 14th. They are expecting approx. 1000+ people over the three shows. They are currently doing auditions. They are requesting $300. In their request, they have stated that their budget is on separate piece of paper. However, there was no budget included. Tara motions to table until more information is provided, Jansen 2nds. 10 Hoots, 2 Abstain = Approved. Shayne will contact them regarding the request.

Parliament Updates:
The Council of Chairs Summit Event: We have received updates that includes more information about the event. It will be at the Stevenson Center on April 14th, but no official time - we assume it will be the same as last time at 8pm. They have gotten the Vice Mayor of Santa Cruz to be the keynote speaker. SUA has funded them $1500. However, when we requested a budget, there was not one. The caterer is Taqueria Santa Cruz. They expect 200+ students, including guests from other orgs. Even with Taqueria Santa Cruz being a little pricey and a keynote speaker, a total budget of $2500 seems like a little too much. Jansen motions not to fund, Shayne 2nds. 5 Hoots, 1 Screech, 6 Abstain = Approved.

Parliament Business Dinner: With a week to think about it, we need a venue for our dinner. Final suggestions are Mobo Sushi, Ponos, Palomar and Saturn Cafe. Hana motions for Mobo, but after discussion, recends her motion. After more discussion, Hana motions for Sebieng, Tara 2nds. 10 Hoots, 2 Abstain = Approved. Liza suggests we have a dinner theme = 60's, 80's, Nerds etc.

Community Improvement: With the end of the year coming up, now is the time to purchase anything to help better the Kresge community. The money for these improvements will be from the bigger carry forward account. Past improvements include benches in the Kresge backyard and improving the Study Center/Writing Center. Suggestion included: improving the study center lighting, more comfortable pillows, staples for the computer lab, whiteboard for the Student Lounge, a succulent garden, Piazzetta black board picnic tables and plant the old water fountain moat and a Book box for free books. Pam mentioned the old phone booths on Lower St. for the book box. (computer room entrance) Max will research book boxes.

Parliament tees: Go get your “Give a hoot!” t-shirts if you haven’t already! We are running out of small sizes. Should we reorder more for next year’s members. Pam will get a cost breakdown. Do we want to order other apparel again but not the sweatshirts. Suggestions include jackets, beanies, hats, buckles or maybe even boxers. Carl will look at what is available and come next week with information.

Academic Senate Rep. for the last spring meeting on May 18th 2:30 – 5 p.m. at Stevenson Event Center. Jackie motions for Shayne, Tara 2nds, 12 Hoots, 2 Abstain = Approved.

Elections Commissioner: Continuing from last week, we need a Kresge representative for the position. A commissioner is basically the judge and jury for any possible offenses that may happen during the election season coming up. The position includes a weekly commissioner meeting Tuesdays at 6pm. Hana motions for Sawyer as our representative, Tara 2nds. 10 Hoots, 1 Opposed, 2 Abstain = Approved.
Spring Community Service: We will be going down to Bay View Elementary to help clean the school on Saturday, April 16th 9:30 – 1:30 p.m. with lunch. Seven are available and Tara and Carl can drive.

Seminar Room 159 update: Sound tiles have been ordered for the room. The cushioned chairs will not be coming back due to the decision of our Provost to create a ‘legitimate’ classroom space. He will be coming next week to talk to us about his vision.

21 Days of Kindness: Carl - Monday Secret Owl tabling was a big success with over 100+ people participating, although Tuesday we were short on volunteers for tabling. The Kindness Gathering for Friday is still happening on Lower Street (Rain location: Student Lounge) 5 – 6 p.m. All are welcome. Next week tabling on Thursday 14th 11 – 1 p.m. Lower St.

Approval of minutes: Correction: “May 18th” should be “April 18th”. Juan motions to approve with the correction, Tara 2nds. 12 Hoots = approved.

Report Backs:
SUA - Jackie, Tara, and Hana:
The BlaqOut Conference had a funding request and was fully funded. The conference will be at UC Riverside this year. There was talk of having an automatic online voter registration for students when they enroll with an option to opt out. However, this could be a problem for multiple reasons including students being ineligible to vote or being automatically registered when it could go against someone’s beliefs, even with the opt out option. There were “UCSA Board for Directors Legislative” updates. The campus wide multi-gendered housing plan came back up, but was, in the end, indefinitely tabled. People felt as if its language was transphobic. The Stevenson Coffee House resolution was adopted and plans are currently being worked on for how students could run the coffee house.

SCOC - Hana:
Committee on Ethnic Programing: appointed. Committee on Affirmative Action and Diversity/ SUGB: denied due to the application being copied and pasted from their previous application.

SUGB - Juan:
They got their ballot on the measure. They went over goals such as campaigning and Juan asked Parliament for campaigning volunteers. He also asked for our endorsement for SUGB and we will talk more about that next week.

Current events - Liza:
Santa Cruz: Officials say students will soon vote on the subject of our NCAA program. Students will have their voice heard on whether or not UCSC should keep NCAA sports. According to a spokesman, about one million dollars is spent on those teams. If they were to go away, the club sports would still stay. National: Pennsylvania Governor has barred state contractors from LGBT discrimination against vendors/contracts. Bizarre: Due to the surge in purchases of adult coloring books, there has been a big shortage of quality crayons and colored pencils. The demand has caused many factories to create more shifts. Many companies across the globe are struggling to keep up to the new demand.

Announcements:
Fri 4/8 DIY Apple Pies at Town Hall 7 – 8:30 p.m.
Wed. 4/13 Community Drum Circle – 7 – 8:30 p.m. Kresge Meadow with Don Davidson
Thurs. 4/14 Pet Rock Palooza – Upper St. 3 – 5 p.m. Come adopt a pet!
ESLP Monday meetings at Kresge Town Hall 7pm. This week is about Makeup – beauty news we all need.

-C4: The next event is on June 3rd from 6:30 - 9pm at the Cervantes Velasquez Conference Rm. The food will be catered by Zoccoli’s and Aloha Hawaiian Grill.
-UCSC’s Got Talent is April 29th at 8:30pm in the Porter/Kresge Dining hall. For information on auditions talk to Hana.
-UC Equestrian Team: Went to zone finals where their one rider had to place 1st or 2nd to go to nationals. Unfortunately, she placed 3rd after a trivia tiebreaker for second.
-Kresge Orientation leader applications are out. Apply and be a part of freshman’s first week and the programs along with it. Perks are included with the volunteer position.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:07