Kresge Parliament – 5/26/16

Start: 6:33 p.m.  Quorum:13  Ice Breaker: What’s something you’re looking forward to?

No Guests or Funding Requests:

Parliament Updates:
Officer Elections: After last week’s nomination’s, Ian Gregorio and Carl Earler were the candidates for Vice Chair while Sawyer Simmons and Tara Parcella were the candidates for Chair. After discussion, Ian Gregorio has been elected Vice Chair. After another discussion, Sawyer Simmons has been elected Chair. Both will take their positions for next week’s final Parliament of the quarter.

Approval of minutes: Correction: Still, not stilling under the Elections report back. 9 hoots, 2 abstain = approved

Report Backs:
Campus Elections for SUA Rep: Carl has been written in and elected to be our SUA rep. He will step down so that Parliament will have control of our three votes.

SUGB: - Juan: Measure 66 passed, SUGB’s $10. per quarter student fee measure to support the Redwood Buildings. Because they did not know the results at the meeting, they discussed what they would do next if they did not get the funding.

SCOC: Hana - SFAC reps: 9 and 10’s rep were elected. Crown denied. Kresge’s rep, replacing Jeff, is Sylvia Grape.

Kresge Housing Committee: Liza - Studio Gang Architects were here and presented plans for all of the proposals with a focus on accommodating enrolment growth. UCOP has mandated all schools try to free up their debt ceiling by having a 3rd party = public-private contractor. The architects really did have an interest in this project and it was obvious they will do a good job.

Pam – The Director of the Charles Moore Foundations was here taking pictures and making notes. Their foundation watches out to make sure remodels are true to the original design or else they sue the organization(s) in question.

Student Representation – there is currently no SUA or GSA rep, coming to meetings. This is troublesome as misconceptions can arise and student backlash. We are not sure how to get representatives for these orgs. but we need to follow up next year.

Current Events: Liza – Local - There are advisory signs at Cowell Beach to not touch the water. Due to the level of fecal bacteria in the water it has become a human health concern. There are multiple sources causing the high levels that have a potential to make people sick. National: Texas and 10 other states filed a lawsuit against the Federal Govern. about bathroom signs regarding gender identification. The federal government has turned the public into ‘laboratories”. Bizarre: US customs at an airport stopped an Arizona woman who was trying to smuggle two packages of meth. The packages were both disguised as burritos. The 23 year old women was attempting to return to America with more than a pound of meth and medamorphine, but got caught with the illegal substances.
SUA: Hana, Max, Tara: SUGB Referenda approved, The Platypus Society came and were fully funded $520. SUA by-law amendments passed. The Armenian Genocide Resolution with a small amendment was also passed.

Book Bin Project: Max - Update on the bookcase/ free library. The money will come from the Kresge Carry Forward. Eric Peterson, Ian’s boss found a possible cabinet that unfortunately did not have the right dimensions. We need to research the company to find out if they make other sizes. As for the proposal, Max is asking for more legitimate reasons as to why we should have this Kresge improvement. One already being a reference to the history of Kresge being a literature college. A suggestion to collaborate with the Writers’ House was also suggested.

Announcements:
Wed. June 1st  Kresge Pizza Party – 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.  Town Hall - free

Hana was nominated twice for CVC and EVC for SCOC. She will be their EVC next year. If anyone would like to be our SCOC rep. next year, talk to Hana.

Graduation still needs volunteers. Talk to Pam for more info and late move out privileges.

We went on a small fieldtrip to Seminar Room 159 (the old meeting space for Parliament) to assess whether or not it has become a suitable space for Parliament for next school year. We discussed the sound tiles and the addition soon of an area rug. All good additions although we noticed the room still has an echo with 15 people inside. Since we don't know how the rug will change the acoustics and do not know what chairs are being purchased, we would like to delay our final official vote on the Seminar Room for Parliament for next year but will release it for fall quarter only.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:00 p.m.