Kresge Parliament – 04/12/18

Start: 6:30 PM Quorum: 12 Ice Breaker: One thing that's overrated, one thing that's underrated?

Funding Requests: Red Wheelbarrow 22nd Annual Anthology – Requesting \$200.

RW is a creative outlet, of all UCSC student submissions published annually. They gather material like prose, poetry and photographs. It is free and by fundraising, they're able to keep it that way. Anyone who helps financially will be mentioned in the publication. Editors compile the submissions that were due in February. Submissions are still accepted for the on-line version. It'll be distributed all around UCSC. Student Media has funded them but they only cover the shortage amount. Total budget \$5030.82

PRISM: Presenting for Queer Prom May 25th 8 p.m. in Town Hall – Requesting \$150. This annual event gets support from the gender-neutral Greek org Theta Pi Sigma and from fundraising. Open to everyone, this community event takes donations but does not exclude anyone for lack of funds. There is a DJ, food, crafts, decorations and advertising. They get raffle prizes from community and local businesses. This year's theme is based around a floral aesthetic. Oakes and RCC have funded. If our funding goal isn't met, we'll pitch in our selves. Any extra funds will help support other queer events and orgs on campus. We had around 250 people come last year. Not sure how many Kresge student involved. Total budget \$835.

Deliberations: Current budget: \$1800

Red Wheelbarrow is 22nd year and local publication requesting \$200 on paper, \$300 in person. Bradley motioned to fund \$150. Nick 2^{nds}, 9 Hoots. 2 Abstain = Approved

PRISM is hosting a Queer Prom at Kresge; a lot of our community can enjoy this event. Requesting \$200. Quinn motioned to fully fund. Ian 2^{nds}, 10 Hoots. 1 Abstain. = Approved

Guests: SUA Officers presenting the 2018 Class Survey: Spreading word about the classroom survey. Survey includes graduation timing, class registration, wait lists, travel times and commuting coastal campus issues, other impacts on educational experience. They're encouraging all students to fill out the survey. It takes about 5-10 minutes. The surveys are helpful in making much needed recommendations to Admin. with tangible impacts. Please fill out the survey. An incentive, 5 students will receive \$40 in flexis.

- Q: SUA receives the data, what happens after? A: The data is used as a platform for the incoming officers, agenda items to follow and discuss. They present the data to students/faculty Spring Qtr.
- Q: Is the data public or available at all? A. No, but if there are more requests for data, maybe...
- Q: How long has survey been out? A: Since the Constitution, for all of Jessica Xu's time here.
- Q: Do you have access to your past data, are there trends? A: I do and no, different Q's. (Jessica)
- Q: How long will the survey be out for? A: Until 04/20/18.
- Q. How many students take the survey? A. Last year's survey was too long = 1600 students.

Budget Requests for next week No budget requests received.

Parliament Business:

-Spring community service: A doodle poll went out to members. Results: #1 Homeless Garden, #2 Beach Clean up. Franklin is organizing a volunteer weekend including the Homeless Garden on Sunday, April 22nd from 10 – 2 p.m. Show of hands, Parliament will volunteer on the 22nd.

-Parliament commencement cord order. Do we want the traditional orange & silver cord or something else for Parliament Srs? Traditional orange & silver is fine. We order 10 to save on shipping. Nick motions \$50 for 10 cords. Ryan 2^{nds}. 11 Hoots. 2 Abstain = Approved -Parliament Swag for 2018: Interest in tees, sweatshirts, socks, beanies. hats. jackets, windbreaker Liza and Ryan feel strongly about socks and beanies. Jos thinks she can provide a new design. Next week = new designs, send them to kresgeparliament@gmail.com.

Suggestions: minimalistic, something trendy, brand = no burning man-style, Hot-wheels long sleeves with flames, checkerboard, Thrasher-skater brand, Fractal design.

- -Kresge Free Book Library Social next week before Parliament 5:30 6:30 p.m. Lower St. Show up early to help with set up. Ryan and Pam will make Costco run; Pam will bring button maker, bookmark supplies and music speaker. Wear Parliament swag.
- -Rec Room Improvements: Ideas to improve this community space...the air hockey table doesn't work? Pool table got rebuilt and felted over spring break. There's also a new dartboard and darts. We could remove Foosball never used. There was talk of getting an arcade game? A new mural would also help.
- -Constitution update from our Vice Chair: Ian Everyone is apart of the constitution update. If we advertise housing point, we need a process of how you get the housing point.
 - -Section 5 would push Section 6. To be identified as a Kresge Parliament member, you should be a Kresge Parliament member for a specific time: Active member for 2 quarters; around 15-20 meetings.
 - -If someone joins spring quarter, we could vote to determine a person's housing point too. New people don't know about the housing point; Chair should inform new members.
 - Chair's responsibility, if student does not meet minimum, to schedule a meeting to discuss the student's possible housing point.
- -SOFA Rep: We need a rep by tomorrow, Friday for this funding body of SUA. Quinn volunteered, Nick motioned to appoint Quinn Chalmers. Ian 2^{nds}, 10 Hoots. 1 Screech. 1 Abstain = Approved
- -Transfer Community Rep: We currently do not have a rep at Porter...

Approval of minutes: 4/5/18 One correction: Jos office hour 7-8 PM at the Owl's Nest on Monday. Nick motioned to approve the minutes. Ian 2^{nds}, 10 Hoots. 2 Abstain = Approved

Report Backs:

SUA: Ian, Jos, Quin - long meeting. Reviewed the Emergency Medical Slugs request for \$6,600. for CPR classes. Got into heated debate about how much to fund. Fully funded. Funding request from Diving In event for first generation students interested in Arts/majoring in art. Asking for \$1000 with about 100 attendees. One of the SUA members requested for fund for making loop buses bigger. Presentation, TAPS is trying to reduce shuttle shifts, Union complaint over reduction in hours, requesting student support for workers. Justice in Palestine funding request for an out-of-state conference \$6000.+/-. Interviews for 2 Elections Commissioner positions was a closed session. Alumni weekend is coming up April 27-29. Looking for volunteers, contact Jos if you can help out.

SCOC: Gavin – Committee recruitment ongoing – New Capital Improvements Committee needs representation. There are two sister-college events left TBA.

SFAC: Ian -Talked about how summer fees would be allocated. Finalizing next week.

SUGB: Ryan - Did not meet this week.

AS/SAS: Nick - SAS: Waitlist issues discussed, limiting enrollment to majors only especially in

Psych. Mental health awareness event coming up in May.

Current Affairs: Liza – see attached.

Announcements:

Sat. 4/14 Open Mic in Town Hall 7-9 p.m. Refreshments

Tues. 4/17 Elotes on Upper St. 1-3 p.m. Grilled corn w/ topping while it lasts...

Wed. 4/18 OL application deadline for next year 2018-2019 – Kresge Programs

Thurs. 4/19 – Kresge Free Book Library Social – 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Thurs. 4/19 – Mosaic Jars – DIY event in Town Hall 7-9 p.m. with LED lights.

Tues. 4/24 – Monsters & Myths of Latin America – college night 5-7 p.m. P.K. Dining Hall

- -KMEC Kresge presents PRIDE is Saturday, May 12th. Call for volunteers coming soon.
- -Rocky Horror at the Del Mar April 27th /28th. Ryan will be Frank-n-furter! Buy tickets in advance.
- -Arboretum is having a plant sale Saturday 12 am 4 pm open to the public.
- Workday is Saturday at noon at the CASFA Farm includes lecture and food, RSVP closes today = see Jos for more info

Kresge Graduation is Saturday, June 16th – Kresge Programs needs volunteers to help out day of from 12:30 – 6 p.m. Offering \$25. gift certificate.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:00 pm

Current Affairs - Liza

LOCAL NEWS:

In what would be the largest penalty it has issued in Northern California, the California Coastal Commission is poised this week to approve a \$1.45 million settlement with the owner of an oceanfront apartment complex in Pacifica that the agency says failed to properly maintain a seawall and public access stairs to the beach, then illegally graded a public beach and covered it with giant boulders. The proposed settlement, which the commission is scheduled to consider Thursday, is with several Irvine real estate partnerships that own Oceanaire Apartments, a complex located in a famously erosion-prone area of the coast on Esplanade Avenue in Pacifica, about three miles south of San Francisco. Under a state law signed by Gov. Jerry Brown in 2014, the commission was given the authority to issue fines of up to \$11,250 a day for people who block public access to California's beaches. The apartment owners could have been socked with more than \$5 million in fines, but instead agreed to pay a \$1.45 million penalty. The owners must also remove the large rocks from the beach, repair the sea wall and public stairs, restore the grading on the beach, perform erosion control, replant the area with native plants and restore a public viewing area at the top. The enforcement action comes 16 months after a large sinkhole opened up in December 2016 during heavy winter storms near the top of the steep bluff and staircase down to Pacific Manor Beach, a popular beach below the apartments. The apartments were built in 1972 before voters approved the California Coastal Act. At the time, the owners had been required by Pacifica city officials to maintain public access to the beach, which is reachable only by a staircase down a steep 75-foot high rocky bluff. The owners of the properties, managed by Trinity Property Consultants and Redwood Construction of Irvine, will be required to open an interim trail to the beach and submit plans to the commission for a more permanent solution. Meanwhile, the area continues to erode. In January 2017, demolition crews tore down an apartment building a few hundred yards from Oceanaire Apartments that was literally crumbling into the sea following years of erosion.

NATIONAL NEWS:

The massive teacher walkout in Oklahoma is coinciding with candidate filing days for state office, and so far a record number of Oklahomans are throwing their hats into the ring to challenge the status quo. The Oklahoma State Election Board says 458 people filed as candidates on Wednesday — the first day they could do so — which is the highest number on record going back to 2000, the first year for which the agency has data. The next biggest year was 2014, when 419 filed on day one. Bryan Dean, a spokesman for the agency, said it does not break down the filers by occupation, though anecdotally many of the candidates appear to be teachers. "The enthusiasm surrounding the

ongoing demonstrations is likely at least partially responsible for the numbers we've seen," Dean explained. Dean said candidates were on pace to set a record for day two filings on Thursday as well. The third and final day to file is Friday. Teachers around the state walked off the job on April 2 to demand more money for schools, and thousands have since descended upon the state capitol in Oklahoma City each day to pressure lawmakers. The walkout is part of a wave of teacher strikes taking place in red states that have passed tax cuts while slashing education funding in recent years. The candidate filing numbers are just the latest indication that the ongoing teacher rebellions could have lasting political implications. In West Virginia, Oklahoma, Kentucky and Arizona — all states where strikes have occurred or are currently in the works — teachers have been prodding one another to run for office or campaign on behalf of candidates, mostly Democrats, who will prioritize education. As Huff Post reported last week, teachers in Kentucky are now jumping into state races, just as they battle lawmakers over cuts to teacher pensions and school funding.

BIZARRE NEWS:

Britain is a country with an illustrious history of illegal raves, and another entry of opportunism was added into that legacy on March 31 when five people were arrested for attempting to hold a massive rave in an abandoned Toys R Us store in the Hounslow borough of West London. The officers also seized a sound system at the shuttered store, located at Hounslow's Bull's Bridge Industrial Estate. The party, planned as "massive Easter Weekend rave," according to media reports, had not yet started. Posting on Twitter, Hounslow MPS shared a photo of a Toys R'Us sign, which had been daubed in graffiti so it read "Raves R Us," although it appears the photograph may have been altered by the person operating the department's Twitter account (which does show a sense of humor in several entries). "Police have closed down an unlicensed music event on Bull's Bridge Industrial Estate, Hayes Road, UB2," a tweet reads. "Sound system has been seized and several arrests made. Do not travel to this area as all attendees and ticket holders are being turned away." Toys R Us announced last month that it will close or sell most of its stores in the U.S. and U.K. The retailer declared bankruptcy in September. The story had spread into several different countries' news sites by Thursday morning, with various headlines reading "Des Anglais ont organisé une rave illégale dans un Toys 'R' Us abandonné," "Deram uma 'rave' numa loja da Toys R Us," "Cinco detenidos tras una rave en un 'Toys R Us' de Londres" and "Organizzano un rave in un Toys "R" Us di Londra: cinque arresti."