

Kresge Parliament – 03/07/19

Start: 6:30pm Quorum: 13 Ice Breaker: A lifetime goal?

Guest: Engaging Education (E2) A student lead center seeking support for a resolution. Engaging Education teaches student leadership skills, community, and awareness. Aids low-income and disadvantaged groups by introducing them to higher education. Concerned with the change in Chancellor's this summer regarding their soft funding and proper credit for all their work. The campaign seeks acknowledgment of their student leadership and agency at UCSC. Asking colleges and orgs on campus for their support. E2 oversees SIO each spring (Student initiated outreach) that has brought hundreds of prospective students to campus especially Latinx & ABC students.(60% college attend success rate) With this resolution, they hope to amplify the student voice. Resolution includes history of center, SIO successes and request for permanent Chancellor funding.

Budget Requests: ISA (Indian Student Association) did not appear – 2nd no show.

Kresge Parliament would like to order custom scarfs for their membership. Students will pay \$10. each and the remaining expense be covered by funds from the Parliament budget (\$14. each) This funding will be used for student members only. Requesting \$200. Ian motions to fully fund, Karlee 2^{nds}, 10 hoots, 2 Screeches = Approved

Deliberations: E2 endorsement of student lead center funding/recognition – Outreach is important for underrepresented groups, Oceanna was one of those students who came to UCSC. She confirmed this outreach was very useful. They are not asking the students for funding. Jos motions to support their campaign, Bradley 2^{nds}, 13 Hoots = Approved

Guest: CPC Pam representing the Student Government Fee Amendment for spring election. Currently, students pay \$10/per quarter, per student = \$30. a year in support of college programs. This amendment seeks to double this amount to \$20/per quarter, per student. Fee increase would go towards Programs Office budgets administered by the CPC's and, of course, return to aid. Fee would ramp up over 4 years, \$7 per quarter next year and \$1 per year for the next three years. This fee has not been adjusted in 37 years (1982). No sunset clause: permanent funding. Voting for this would enable better programs/activities, support higher budgets for college student governments and add Orientation Leader stipends. Increased costs include increase to minimum wage and the cost of living. To pass, 25% of student body must vote and 66% of those students must vote yes. Even if it does not pass, this will raise awareness about funding shortfalls now and tomorrow. Questions: Why no sunset? A. Budgets are approved, OL's hired in advance so funding needs to be permanent for following year. Q. In your 13 years, how has attendance changed at college programs? A. Programs attendance has gone down - students are busier, working now. Seeking Kresge College support to get on the spring ballot. Ian motions to support, Anna 2^{nds} 11 Hoots, 2 Abstain = Approved

Budget Requests for next week: None!

Outreach: Spring 2019

Ideas for outreach for spring quarter include a Parliament Picnic, Free Book Library - upkeep, Partner with Porter Senate event – give out popsicles, rent a bounce house, make bookmarks including members affidavits: Why we like student government, why we attend, why it is important. Could use our new logo. Spring Quarter elections information, Need to check in with Porter

Michelle will contact their Chair. A Porter/Kresge Mixer also an idea.

Reminder - we have 6 graduating seniors – Michelle, Bradley, Ryan, Ian, Jos & Danny

Approval of minutes: 2/28/19 Ian motions to approve the minutes Ryan 2^{nds}, 10 Hoots, 1 Screech, 1 abstain = Approved

Report Backs:

SUA: Owen & Anna attended/No Leighton Admin. response to the Homeless student resolution, SUA Constitutional amendments still in the works, feedback due by this weekend. Student fee referendum presentations: TAPS, Student Success Hub, Career Ctr., Student Government Fee Amendment. VP of External Affairs updates. Passed resolution requesting a delay in Regents approval of Housing West project. Also a resolution in support of the REACH Act, which is stricter on hazing. Budget report = very little \$ left this year.

SCOC: Karlee - N/A

SFAC: Ian had to jet. →

SUGB: Danny - Food Security Subcommittee, Finals week burritos in Quarry again on Mon, Tues, Wed. 8am-11am. with food pantry informational flyers/outreach

AS/SAS: Nick – Chair election held – new for spring.

Core Council: Quinn - Done, everyone fully funded except ISA and Folklorico group who got partial

Current Affairs: Bradley for Jos – see attached.

Announcements:

Fri. 3/8 Music Co-Op Concert 7:30 – 10:30 p.m. Town Hall - refreshments

Fri. 3/08 Rocky Horror 8:30pm-11:00pm in the Media Theater without Ryan

Sun. 3/10 Time-change - spring forward

Wed. 3/13 Commencement Committee Mtg #2, 5:15pm Student Lounge

Fri. 3/17 Late-Night Breakfast, 10pm. Town Hall while it lasts...

Meeting Adjourned: 7:54pm

Current Affairs – Jos via Bradley

Local - Environmental, social changes shift how elephant seals communicate

In 1969, UC Santa Cruz biologist Burney Le Boeuf, a pioneer in the field of marine mammal behavior, published an article in *Science* reporting the first evidence of dialects in mammals other than humans. His research on the calls male northern elephant seals use to threaten their rivals showed that the style of the animals' percussion-like vocalizations depended on where they lived. So, for example, a listener could tell the difference between the threat call of a male elephant seal from Año Nuevo in Central California and one from Isla de Guadalupe in Mexico. Almost 50 years later, UC Santa Cruz Ph.D. candidate Caroline Casey retraced Le Boeuf's scientific footsteps and discovered the seals' threat calls no longer had geographic distinctions. Instead, as the northern elephant seal population had increased, the males' calls had grown more individualized and complex. The study, published in *Proceedings of the Royal Society of London B* and authored by Casey, research scientist Colleen Reichmuth, professor of ecology and evolutionary biology Dan Costa and Le Boeuf — all of UC Santa Cruz — showed that animal communication didn't remain static but shifted over time in response to changing environmental and social conditions.

National - Trump Quietly Revokes Obama-Era Drone Rule

PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP has quietly revoked an Obama-era rule that required the government to annually and publicly report civilian casualties from airstrikes, shrouding the killings outside of conventional war zones in secrecy. In his executive order issued Wednesday, Trump weakened part of an order first issued by President Barack Obama in July 2016. That executive order outlined a mandatory reporting requirement meant to bring more transparency to the growing use of airstrikes when targeting militants in more rural areas like Yemen, Somalia and Pakistan and outside active combat zones like Afghanistan. Trump's order noted that Congress has required the Pentagon to issue annual reports of bystander deaths from all operations since 2016. But that law only covers reporting by the Defense Department's airstrikes and does not cover those conducted by the CIA, which has also carried out drone operations, according to *The New York Times*.

Bizarre - Vegans accused of killing piglets by accident after storming farm to cuddle them

A farmer has accused vegans of crushing two piglets to death after causing a stampede during their efforts to cuddle the newborn pigs. 200 vegans from the group "Meat the Victims" stormed a farm in Lincolnshire in order to protest against pork. However, in their efforts to raise awareness about the "cruelty" of pig farming, they were accused of causing distress to the animals and inadvertently causing the death of two. Farmer Sylvia Hook, from Sandilands Farm on Newark Road in Loughterton, said the vegans terrified her family and caused damage to the farm. She told *Lincolnshire Live*: "About 50 of them all piled into a farrowing house, immediately the sows are jumping up and down. "It's caused the death of two young piglets through being squashed and two other piglets I've had to be taken away to get up and running again." The farmer added in an interview with *BBC Look North*: "The sows were very stressed initially with all the noise and the commotion, jumping up and down, squashing piglets, causing general havoc. "They were picking piglets up, cuddling them – there was a lot of screaming going on. Piglets don't want to be cuddled. Then unfortunately, they were putting the piglets back in the wrong pens. "Because it was such a long period of time we were not able to fulfill our caring duties to the animals. We could not get in to feed them as our barrow is the width of the passage."

Ms Hook added that the farm is a family-run business and is Red Tractor assured. Meat the Victims denied that the activists caused the animals stress or that they were responsible for the death of the piglets. One of the protesters, who calls himself 'Earthling Ed', commented: "You cannot love animals and kill them. You cannot love animals and pay someone else to kill them. You cannot love animals and commodify, butcher and mutilate their bodies. Farms are prisons for the innocent. They are death factories."

Lincolnshire Police said: "We are in attendance at Sandilands Farm, Newark Road, Loughterton, where a protest is taking place.

"We have a positive obligation to facilitate lawful peaceful protest and officers will remain on the scene until the protest has concluded. "Although there was a heavy police presence at the farm during the protest, no arrests were made.