



AILG Board Meeting

Thursday, July 18, 2017 | MIT W59-237 | Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Steve Baker

In Attendance

Board: Steve Baker (TX), Eric Cigan (LCA), Pam Gannon (AP), Alice Leung (ET), Akil Middleton (ZP), Cecilia Stuopis (AXO)

Administration, Staff and Vendors: Bob Ferrara (DSL/TC), Judy Robinson, Julie Rothaar-Sanders (DSL), Brad Badgley, Liz Jason (FSILG Office), Scott Klemm (FSILG Cooperative, Inc.)

Alums: John Covert (PKT), Tom Holtey (CP), Kim Hunter (AP), David Lawrence (TEP), Herman Marshall (BTP), Patrick McCabe (TCAA), Jessie Stickgold-Sarah (FH), Tom Stohlman (KS), Mark Thompson (ADP), Stan Wulf (PDT)

Students: Ayomide Fatunde (Panhel), Pravina Samaratunga (LGC)

Approval of Minutes (Pam Gannon)

The Board voted to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2017 board meeting and the May 31, 2017 annual meeting as amended.

Finance Report (Eric Cigan)

Eric noted that all accounts were paid for the year.

FSILG Office Update (Brad Badgley)

Brad said that all GRAs are hired. They will be training this summer and move in August. Brad introduced Julie Rothaar-Sanders, who is the new advisor for the Panhel and the LGC, and will be overseeing the GRAs. There were no issues over the 4th of July weekend. House Manager training will be held during work week; FCI/Scott Klemm will participate in the training.

DSL Update on Student House (Judy Robinson)

Judy described that Senior House will no longer open to undergraduates and will become graduate student housing. She noted that this is has been a challenging situation for students and staff.

Student Council Updates (Ayomide Fatunde, Robert Binkowski, Pravina Samaratunga)

MIT Panhellenic Association (Panhel): Ayo Fatunde reported that the Panhel has some new programming for the upcoming year: a reflection on the MIT sorority experience event for prefrush, a fall career fair with women business leaders, and an inclusivity statement.

MIT Living Group Council (LGC): Pravina Samaratunga reported that Sasha Rickard was elected as LGC speaker. For rush, LGC will be holding a kickoff event and van tour.

MIT Interfraternity Council (IFC): Liz Jason reported that the IFC is reviewing recruitment events and working on the recruitment book.

Update on West Campus Village (Bob Ferrara)

Bob reported that eight chapters have expressed interest in being involved in phase 2. Members of the steering committee have been meeting with MIT administration and have additional meetings scheduled. The committee is looking at different ownership models.

Update on FSILG Facilities Assessment (Bob Ferrara and Tom Stohlman)

Bob updated the group on the progress of the facilities assessment. Three houses are serving as pilot sites: Sigma Kappa, Delta Tau Delta and No. 6. They are testing out three different vendors. The approximate cost per house is \$30,000. Funding will be provided by the IRDF and the DSL and each chapter will be expected to contribute \$7500. The goal is to have studies completed in April. Questions were asked about: privacy of data, transparency, collaboration possibilities, opt out, and fitting into annual budgets.

Election of New AILG Officers (Steve Baker)

Steve reported that he had polled board members to develop a slate of officers for 2017-2018. Nominations were made for: Akil Middleton, Chair; Pam Gannon, Vice-Chair; Eric Cigan, Treasurer; Steve Baker, Secretary. Steve made a motion to dispense with election and appoint officers by unanimous consent. The motion passed unanimously. Steve turned the meeting over to Akil as Chair.

AILG Board Retreat (Steve Baker, Bob Ferrara, Akil Middleton)

The AILG Board Retreat will be on August 4, 2017. The agenda will include discussion of the relationship document and the facilities assessment. Suggestions for other topics can be made to the Board.

2017-18 Plenary Meeting Schedule (Pam Gannon)

Nest year the plenary will meet twice in the morning and twice in the evening. Pam thanked Alice Leung for designing the survey that was sent to the AILG mailing list. There was a good response and a preference for evening meetings was indicated. For 2-17-18, the AILG will pilot the new schedule, which is posted on the AILG web site.

New AILG Logo Development (Pam Gannon)

Pam suggested that the AILG develop a logo with a graphic element. Many other departments and organizations in MIT have done so. A straw poll indicated that the Board and other members present agreed to explore this further. Bob had connected with the MIT Alumni Association to work on graphic design; Pam, Bob and Steve Baker will be involved in the process.

Discussion of Harvard's Action to Ban Single Gendered Organizations

The group discussed the need to reach out to MIT faculty. Suggestions were: to collect supporting data about the value of our organizations, collaborate with the MIT Alumni Association and collaborate with the MIT Corporation.

Announcements

The AILG/FSILG annual neighborhood BBQ is at Alpha Phi on August 30, 4-7pm. The board meeting will be held afterward. Subsequent 2017-18 board meetings will be on the first Thursday of the month.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Abbreviations

AILG	Association of Independent Living Groups
DSL	Division of Student Life
FCI	FSILG Cooperative, Inc.
FSILGs	Fraternities, Sororities and Independent Living Groups
IFC	Interfraternity Council
ILGs	Independent Living Groups
IRDF	Independent Residence Development Fund
LGC	Living Group Council
Panhel	Panhellenic Association