

## AILG Board Meeting

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Thursday, 9 April 2018 | MIT Room W59-237 | Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Akil Middleton

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### In Attendance

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

Administration and Staff: Bob Ferrara (DSL/TC), Brad Badgley (FSILG Office), Liz Jason (FSILG Office), Julie Rothaar-Sanders (FSILG Office/DSL), Judy Robinson (DSL), Kristen Covino, (FSILG Office), Scott Klemm (FCI), Cody Chamberlain (MITAA/PKS)

Other Alumni/ae: Tom Stohlman, Tom Holtey, John Covert, Jim Latimer

Students: Arjun Mithal (TC/IFC President)

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### Review of Minutes (Steve Baker)

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Minutes of the 1 March 2018 AILG Board meeting were reviewed and approved as presented.

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### Treasurer's Report (Eric Cigan)

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Eric Cigan reported on the AILG's current financial position. Income and expenses are generally tracking expectations; low reported expenses are due to bills for BSF expenses, invoicing/billing for AILG website work, and billing for Plenary meeting dinners at Maseeh Hall all lagging. Eric also reported that funding from the IRDF is still pending but is expected imminently.

Eric presented a draft of the AY2019 budget for review and discussion. Community Relations Committee has requested an increase from \$500 to \$1,000 in its budget to cover the costs of the Community BBQ. The Facilities Committee has requested a \$1,000 (appx 2.4 percent) increase in BSF compensation, which will be passed on as a fee increase of \$25 per participating organization, or \$50 for those organizations with two properties.

**A motion was made, seconded, and passed to present the proposed budget to the AILG Plenary for adoption.**

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### FSILG Office Update (Brad Badgley)

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Brad Badgley reported on plans for CPW this weekend and Marathon Monday preparations. He noted that the FSILG Community annual awards gala is on Wednesday 2 May and encouraged all to attend. He reported that the D. Reid Weedon award application deadline has been extended next week.

Julie Rothaar-Sanders reported on the status of GRA assignments; she noted that about 70% of FSILGs got their first choice of assignment.

Brad reported that the FSILG Office and MIT Government Relations Office intend to reach out to Boston ISD to try to achieve clarity on maximum permitted occupancies in FSILGs.

Judy Robinson reported on recent activities by the Social Events Committee, noting that recent emphasis has been on revising the policies to make them more applicable to the sororities and ILGs.

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## **Student Council Updates**

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Arjun Mithal reported on the IFC's recent activities and news: The IFC is preparing for CPW this weekend, including planning a cookout on Kresge lawn and a parent's forum. The IFC is preparing an I3 video that will be made available to incoming freshmen prior to REX. The IFC is also working with DSL on a communication initiative targeting incoming freshmen and their families.

Julie Rothaar-Sanders reported on Panhel's recent activities: Panhel is also preparing an I3 video and is planning a number of CPW events.

Kristen Covino reported that LGC has held elections: Nathan Hernandez (pika) has been elected speaker. Sasha Rickard and Nathan are currently discussing the officer transition. The LGC is also preparing an I3 video, although not all ILGs are planning to participate.

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## **West Campus Village Update (Pam Gannon)**

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Pam Gannon reported on the recent activities of the WCV Steering Committee. There was another stakeholder meeting last week focusing on governance and management of the Village. Three different management models have been developed, reflecting different levels of equity investment and property managerial interest. Pam noted that the Committee is now seeking firm commitments from FSILG organizations; four groups have expressed definite interest, with one or two others seeking more information prior to committing.

Brad Badgley reported that Zeta Psi's lease agreement may be a good model for one of the governance models.

Bob Ferrara noted that members of the Steering Committee are planning to attend upcoming student council meetings to brief them.

Steve Baker stated that the WCV planning effort is approaching the point of decision: FSILGs will soon need to decide whether or not they intend to commit to the village.

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## **Facilities Assessment Update (Tom Stohlman and Bob Ferrara)**

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Tom Stohlman reported that about two-thirds of the facilities assessment visits have been conducted, and about half of the draft reports have been received and are in review. Follow-up meetings with each organization to review drafts are in progress. Tom presented a one-page summary of resources available to assist interpreting the reports; the Board requested a couple of minor edits to this document.

Tom reported that Facilities Committee has voted to ask the Board to direct all organizations to submit a building improvement plan (BIP), responding to the findings of the assessment, for review. Board members requested more information about the required content and intent of the proposed BIP; the Facilities Committee to prepare a template of the BIP and a summary of how the BIP will be used.

Bob Ferrara reported that MITAA will conduct a fundraising seminar at 6:30 pm on Wednesday 9 May in Maseeh Hall for all interested FSILGs. The purpose will be to educate FSILGs on resources available to assist with capital campaigns to fund facility improvements.

The assessment will be a major agenda topic at next week's Plenary meeting.

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## **Progress toward 2017-2018 AILG Goals (Akil Middleton)**

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Akil Middleton led a discussion of progress toward AILG goals for the current year:

**New FSILG Alumni Session:** Akil Middleton reported that an information event is planned for 24 April for all graduating seniors in the FSILG community; Akil and Pam Gannon will be facilitating this event. Pam suggested that a few young alumni be invited to attend.

**Community Benefits Report:** Pam Gannon reported that a group of stakeholders is working on the report; the report's basic form and content has been agreed, and subcommittees are gathering the information it will

completed by the Annual Meeting. Brad Badgley noted that this year’s report is likely to be relatively thin, since this is the first year it is being offered; the goal is to establish a template for future years.

FSILG Relationship Agreement: Pam Gannon presented a final draft of the agreement. There was discussion about whether the “Terms and Conditions” section of the agreement belonged in the document or should be included in a separate procedures document; after discussion it was agreed to keep this section.

**A motion was made, seconded and passed to put Section 1 (“Rights and Responsibilities of Recognized FSILG Organizations”) and Section 3 (“Terms and Conditions of Good Standing”) before the Plenary for an adoption vote. No amendments or alterations to the text will be permitted.**

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### Plenary Agenda (Akil Middleton)

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Akil Middleton led a brief discussion of the agenda for the 19 April Plenary meeting. It was agreed that in addition to the usual updates and committee reports, the agenda will include the following major topics:

- FSILG Relationship Agreement
- FSILG Assessment
- WCV Update
- Announcements
  - Participation in the Charles River clean-up
  - 2017-18 House bill survey
  - Lodging license renewals

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### Committee Updates

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Parent’s Outreach Committee: Pam reported that the Committee’s primary task of providing outreach to parents and families has been assumed by the FSILG Office. The Committee continues in an advisory role to Brad Badgley, but Pam recommended that the Committee be disbanded and its duties assigned to other committees. This item was tabled for future review.

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### Other Business/ Announcements

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Bob Ferrara reported that Elena Byrne will be taking over as the MITAA representative to the AILG. The Board recognized Austin Ashe for his past work.

The next AILG Plenary meeting will be **Thursday, 19 April** in W20, with breakfast starting at 7:00 am and the meeting called to order at 7:30 am.

The next AILG Board meeting will be **Wednesday, 2 May** in the Samberg Center, starting at 6:00 pm and ending immediately prior to the FSILG annual awards ceremony. Brad will work with Akil to identify a suitable room for the meeting.

The FSILG annual awards ceremony will be **Wednesday, 2 May** in the Samberg Center, from 7:00 to 9:00 pm.

The 2018 AILG Annual Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, 30 May** in the MIT Museum, reception beginning at 6:00 pm. The RSVPs will be issued in mid-April.

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### Executive Session (Akil Middleton)

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The meeting was recessed into Executive Session at 8:00 pm.

In the session, the Board discussed alumni awards, the facilities assessment program, a successor for the Director of FSILG Alumni Relations, the DTD accreditation report, and potential AILG Board of Directors candidates.

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### Adjournment

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The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Steve Baker, Secretary

Abbreviations

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