

# **MINUTES**

## **AILG Board Meeting**

Thursday, Oct 4, 2018 | W59 | Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Akil Middleton

#### In Attendance

Board: Cody Chamberlin (PKS), Pam Gannon (AP) Akil Middleton (ZP), Eric Cigan (LCA), Alice Leung (ET)

Administration, Staff, Vendors: Bob Ferrara (DSL,TC), Brad Badgley (FSILG Office), Liz Jason (FSILG office), Judy Robinson (DSL), Scott Klemm (FCI)

Other Alumni/ae: Tom Stohlman, Tom Holtey, Patrick McCabe, Stan Wulf, John Covert

#### Review of Minutes

Deferred to next meeting.

## Treasurer's Update and Financial Report

Eric Cigan, Treasurer reported that expenses are generally on track as expected. He is considering opening a business savings account. Because of this fall's review of the Accreditation Program, expenses are likely to be somewhat different from the budget; we will not have the regular expenses of food and transport for the visiting committees but we will probably have expenses of food for community input and review meetings.

## Student Council Updates

IFC: Liz Jason reported that IFC numbers for bids extended and accepted were slightly down from last year, but last year was particularly high. At their next meeting, IFC will vote on promoting Theta Tau to associate membership status, and on extending probationary membership status to Phi Sigma Rho. PSR is a sorority that is not part of national Panhel. IFC is planning a president's retreat in December. IFC/Panhel ice cream soiree was well attended.

Panhel: Liz Jason reported that the Panhel formal recruitment process has completed but the open process is ongoing. AEPhi, one of our smaller sororities, had a particularly successful informal recruitment and will be launching an alumnae outreach effort this fall.

## **FSILG Office Update**

Brad Badgley announced that the emerging leaders student retreat will be held again this year, and he is looking for a few young alumni representatives to attend (Sunday, Nov 4). Family weekend will be Oct 27/28; FSILGs are encouraged to register family events. The social events policy committee will meet this

semester, as usual, to discuss the policy and whether any updates are desired. The FSILG office recently emailed about winter/IAP house maintenance issues, as there were many related problems last year.

## Finalizing 2008/2019 AILG Goals

Akil Middleton led a discussion of the draft goals:

- Coordinate and support action on the Facilities Report for Phase 2 of the Assessment initiative.
  - The Facilities Committee will work on community-wide initiatives and support groups with short and long term planning
  - We will facilitate and encourage fundraising and alumni outreach efforts
- Support campus-wide programs on sexual assault awareness/prevention
  - Endorse existing students, FSILG Office, and other campus initiatives
  - Have the Title IX representatives speak at a plenary meeting
- Develop a statement of core values to go with the mission statement
- Education and outreach for improving alumni/student interactions
  - New volunteer orientation training
  - Work with FSILG Office on efforts to recruit more alumni volunteers
  - Work with Alumni Association to identify FSILG alumni who volunteer for MIT
  - Consider a house corp board retreat
  - Understand any gap in alumni/student perceptions
- Review and enhance the Accreditation Program
- Clean up the by-laws
  - Distribute draft revision to plenary

The wording of the goals will the finalized by the Board over email and posted to the AILG website when completed.

## **Facilities Assessment Update**

Bob Ferrarra and Pam Gannon: The Phase 2 Steering Committee will have subcommittees co-chaired by an alumni and staff member. Collaboration with MIT Housing is starting.

#### Accreditation

Cody Chamberlin and Akil Middleton: An initial meeting was held to get broad input, and this was well attended. Next steps will be to schedule focus groups and send out a survey. Some ideas from the overall meeting were that people want best practices and praise to be disseminated more often and more broadly, probably through different methods, and that the program may be renamed (since the goal is more "facilitated continuous self-improvement" rather than "outside accreditation").

## Committee Updates

Thanks to Stan Wulf for putting together the FSILG Direct Donors list. We should put this on the website on the front page.

#### **Announcements**

The FCI annual meeting is on the 17th.

ZBT is back in their house, after the repairs necessitated by last IAP's pipe burst.

The NIC voted to prohibit hard alcohol in houses by next fall.

We need to pick a site/host for next year's Back Bay BBQ.

## Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alice Leung, AILG Secretary

## **Abbreviations**

AILG Association of Independent Living Groups

BSF Building Safety Facilitator
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 MITAA MIT Alumni Association Panhel Panhellenic Association

SLI Safety, Licensing, and Inspections