AILG Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 26, 2018 | W59 | Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Akil Middleton

In Attendance

Board: Cody Chamberlin (PKS), Eric Cigan (LCA), Pam Gannon (AP), Alice Leung (ET), Akil Middleton (ZP), Cecilia Stuopis (AXO) (called in)
Administration, Staff and Vendors: Bob Ferrara (DSL/TC), Brad Badgley, Liz Jason (FSILG Office)
Alums: Steve Baker (TX), Jim Latimer (SAE), Patrick McCabe (TCAA), Tom Stohlman (KS)
Students: Meredith Loy (Panhel)

Approval of Minutes

The Board voted to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2018 board meeting.

Treasurer’s Update and Financial Report

Eric Cigan reviewed the FY2019 Budget. AILG member dues will remain at $500 for housed chapters and $250 for unhoused organizations. SLI program fees are: mandatory $550 (per city-licensed building) for the SLI Registration program, and optional $800 for participation in the BSF program. The 2019 budget includes a $25 increase per building for the BSF program, to support a 2.4% increase in BSF compensation.

Eric reviewed the Profit/Loss statement in detail. Eric noted that the House Bill Survey will be done by FCI with no charge for this year.

FSILG Office and Student Council Updates

Brad Badgely reported that all summer resident (OMM) forms were in. He has sent out a note to all FSILGs regarding the 4th of July. The MIT general counsel is reviewing the FSILG social events policy.

MIT Panhellenic Association (Panhel): Meredith Loy reported that recruitment registration is open and progressing well. The Panhel sororities will conducting inclusivity workshops prior to recruitment.

MIT Interfraternity Council (IFC): Liz Jason reported that the recruitment events deadline has passed and safety plans are due.

Discussion of Facilities Assessment (Bob Ferrara and Tom Stohlman)

Bob Ferrara and Tom Stohlman reported on the meeting with ARUP the previous week. Bob said he would post the slides from the meeting on the AILG web site. One of the common items identified under life/safety issues was upgrading sprinkler systems, and one of the common concerns expressed by organizations was about how to account for “grandfathering” of certain items. The final facilities assessment reports will be kept in each organization’s FCI locker.
Each organization will be expected to maintain a Facilities Action Plan, a simple spreadsheet that will be due at the end of the fall semester (December 2018). Tom circulated a mock Facilities Action Plan for discussion. Suggestions included adding a cost column and dividing into categories of projects. Tom noted that he can help organizations produce these spreadsheets.

The intention is that the facilities action plans will be reviewed by accreditation teams. A concern was raised about whether there should be a training component added to accreditation specifically with respect to facilities. A suggestion was made that the FCI proactively seek out group deals for items that were common among most organizations. There was general agreement to send out a communication to FSILG house corporation boards in the fall.

**Fall Accreditation Effort (Accreditation Committee)**

This fall, many organizations are undergoing accreditation, so we need many experienced accreditors, in particular from sororities. Suggestions were made to have an education effort about how to be an accreditor and to give a token of appreciation to accreditors. These ideas can be addressed at the accreditation committee meeting.

**General Brainstorming of AILG Areas of Interest for 2018-19**

The AILG Board will be holding its annual goal-setting retreat at Pam Gannon’s house from 12-4pm on Friday, August 3. Akil asked for suggestions regarding goals/areas of interest for 2018-19.

Brainstorming suggestions were:

- Plan for transition from Bob being full-time support for the AILG
- Transition to affinity status with the MIT Alumni Association transition
- Support for sexual assault prevention/training
- Support for next steps of facilities assessment
- Young alum engagement/transitions
- West Campus Village
- How to help alums understand current campus culture
- More face time for AILG with undergraduates, help undergrads understand the role of the AILG
- Right-sizing the FSILG community
- Community/neighbor relations
- History of FSILGs

**Adjournment Election of AILG Board Officers**

Chair: Pam Gannon nominated Akil Middleton, seconded by Cody Chamberlain; Akil accepted the nomination, and all members voted in favor.

Vice-Chair: Cody Chamberlain nominated Pam Gannon, seconded by Akil Middleton; Pam accepted the nomination, and all members voted in favor.

Treasurer: Pam Gannon nominated Eric Cigan, seconded by Akil Middleton; Eric accepted the nomination, and all members voted in favor.

Committee Updates

Facilities Committee: Tom Stohlman and the committee indicated that they difficulty getting inspections done, because the City of Boston staff is overwhelmed.

Education Committee: Cody Chamberlain volunteered to chair the Education Committee.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

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