



**Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Association of Independent Living Groups**

Welcome to the

2020 AILG ANNUAL MEETING

23 June 2020

**The AILG Board of Directors thanks VP/Dean Suzy Nelson
and the MIT Division of Student Life for their ongoing support**



Mission of the AILG

The Association of Independent Living Groups at MIT (AILG) will:

- **Assist our member FSILGs to teach values and life skills that are complementary to the MIT educational curriculum.**
- **Be a presence at MIT, to represent and be a voice for the FSILG system and its alumni.**
- **Provide tools to improve our FSILG member groups.**
- **Promote diversity of choice of residence for students within the FSILG community.**
- **Promote FSILG group responsibility and accountability.**



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Keynote Speaker

Cecilia Stuopis M.D., AXO '90

Medical Director – MIT Medical



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FSILG Ops Team for COVID Response



Background

- **March 11th** -- Decision made to send undergraduates home
- **April 9th** -- FSILG housebill reimbursement process begins
- **April 16th** -- VP/Dean of Student Life Suzy Nelson meets with AILG and FSILG Office leadership to discuss the long term financial stability of the FSILGs
- **April 29th** -- Virtual AILG Plenary with Suzy Nelson; she suggests our community create an FSILG Ops Team to help inform MIT senior leadership
- **May 1st** -- First meeting of the FSILG Ops Team steering committee
- **May 20th** -- Working Groups begin work
- **June 22nd** -- Phase I report sent to Suzy



Charge

- Present high-level guidance to the MIT senior team on how the reopening options will impact FSILGs
 - **High-level** -- Create a “Table of Contents” of considerations
 - **Guidance** -- “This is an option and this would be the outcome”
 - Keep in mind the unique experience of the FSILG community
- Phase I will be quick – what are the top considerations for MIT senior leadership?
- Phase II begins after the decision – focus on implementation



The Working Groups

Sustainability

- How do the FSILGs remain financially sustainable across the return scenarios?
- What are the potential long-term impacts on the FSILG community?

Housing Ops - Lifestyle

- What is the effect of partial membership on running a chapter house?
- How does a social distancing model work within an FSILG?

Housing Ops - Logistics

- How do we keep FSILG housing maintained?



The Working Groups

Student Life

- Inclusive of all work the Councils are doing to investigate the impact on life as an FSILG undergraduate
- Recruitment, new policies, transportation, etc.

Alum Advising

- How do alums continue to provide support to students?
- How do AILG and alumni programs adapt?



The Big Questions:

- When will there be a decision on returning?
- How will MIT help us address financial gaps?
 - How will we handle partially-filled houses?
- What if our undergraduates opt to take time off?

→ All a part of Phase II!



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Annual Report

Akil J. Middleton, Zeta Psi '08
AILG Chair

Eric Cigan, Lambda Chi Alpha '83
AILG Treasurer



FSILG Facts

- **43 Undergraduate FSILGs**
 - IFC, Panhel, LGC, and MGC
- **40 AILG Members**
- **1711 students (38% of undergrads)**
- **1040 residents (23% of undergrads)**



AILG Board of Directors

Akil Middleton, ZP '08 – Chair

Cecilia Stuopis, AXO '90 – Vice Chair

Eric Cigan, LCA '83 – Treasurer

Alice Leung, ET '93 – Secretary

Cody Chamberlain, PKS '14 – Director

Tyler Kemp-Benedict, pika '86 – Director



AILG Committees

- **Peer Visit Program**
 - Formerly Accreditation
 - Developed new program; ready for launch!

- **Education/Outreach and Community Relations**
 - Merged two committees
 - Educational programs for the membership
 - Runs neighborhood events



AILG Committees

- **Information Technology**
 - Maintains best-in-class IT infrastructure in all FSILGs
 - Revised the Network Management Program Agreement for all alumni-operated FSILGs
 - Every FSILG network closet inspected and new UPSs were installed in every location
 - Adopted new escalation procedure
- **Finance**
 - Merged with Insurance Committee
 - Purchases property and liability insurance for our member FSILGs



AILG Committees

- **Facilities**
 - Provides assistance to houses in meeting their facilities-related responsibilities
 - Continuation of safety initiatives, including follow-ups on inspection issues
 - Representation on Facilities Renewal Committee
 - Coordination with the FCI to:
 - Transition to new BSF model
 - Define the role of the Director of Facilities and develop the new management program
 - Various facilities-related support throughout the pandemic



AILG Committees

- **Facilities Renewal**

- Formed to oversee and facilitate coordination of FSILG facilities renewal
- Comprised of members of the AILG, DSL, and FCI – A collaborative effort of alums and MIT
- Developed a potential 10-year community-wide life-safety improvement program
- Explored options for funding and managing the program
- First step: Egress/doors



Independent Residence Development Fund

IRDF Boards

- Appointed by MIT Treasurer
- Long-term, low interest loans
- Grants for safety and accessibility improvements, educational space and equipment, and historic preservation
- New for 2019-2020:
 - Historic Preservation as an eligible expense
 - Micro-loans (<\$100K) and Mini-loans (<\$250K)
 - Clarification of use of IRDF funds for capital campaigns



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AILG Goals, 2020-21

- Implement opt-in facilities maintenance plans
- Reconnect with all member organizations and specifically address their needs
- Bridge the gap between house management and financial expectations of alums and students
- Work to increase the GRA subsidy
- Utilize our alum network to provide post-graduation resources to juniors and seniors



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Alice Leung
ET '93



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Tom Stohlman

KS '76



Business Meeting Agenda

- **Call to Order**
- **Adoption of the 2020/21 Budget**
- **Election of Board of Directors**
- **Election of Ombudspersons**
- **Time Permitting:
Announcements/Questions**
- **Adjourn**



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2020/21 AILG Budget



Board of Directors Elections

- **Directors whose terms expire in 2020:**
 - Alice Leung, ET '93 (retiring)
 - Cecilia Stuopis '90, AXO (standing for reelection)
- **Directors whose terms expire in 2021:**
 - Cody Chamberlain, PKS '14
 - Akil Middleton, ZP '08
- **Directors whose terms expire in 2022 :**
 - Eric Cigan, LCA '83
 - Tyler Kemp-Benedict, pika '86



Ombudsperson Elections

- **Current Ombudspersons:**
 - Fraternity: Stan Wulf, PDT '65
 - Sorority: Sara Wilmer, SK '03
 - ILG: Barry Davis, ET '99
- **Process:**
 - Elected for a one-year term
 - Each cohort (F, S, I) simultaneously elect an ombudsperson from among all of the candidates
 - One, two, or three ombudspersons may be elected
 - Majority within the cohort required for election



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