MINUTES
AILG Board Meeting

Thursday, Nov. 3, 2022 | Meeting called to order via zoom at 6:05 pm by Akil Middleton

In Attendance

Board: Akil Middleton (ZP/Chair), Cecilia Stuopis (AXO/Vice Chair), Beverly Borden (WILG/Treasurer) Herman Marshall (BTP/Secretary), Alex Pina (DTD), ML Peters (KAT)
Administration, Staff, Vendors: Liz Jason (FSILG Office), Pam Gannon (AP/DSL), Scott Klemm (FCI)
Other Alumni/ae: Patrick McCabe (TT), Tom Stohlman (KS), Stan Wulf (PDT), Tom Holtey (CP), Larry Stabile (TDC), David Lawrence (TEP)

Review of Minutes

There are a few comments on the text of three sets of minutes: two Board meetings (September and October) and the Plenary of September. Minutes were approved unanimously, pending minor changes that have a minor effect on substance.

Treasurer’s Update and Financial Report

Bev reported that payments are all current. There’s a process in place to make requests for reimbursements by IRDF for the SLI activity.

FSILG Office and Council Update

Liz reported that IFC board elections are coming next week. Dec. 3 is when PanHel votes, ILG leadership is rotating among the member groups. AEPi is selling their house at 165 Bay State Rd, which has been vacant for years, to Boston University; they are not planning to restart the fraternity. Lambda Chi Alpha is going to IFC for a vote to be reinstated.

Annual Initiatives Check-in

Akil will be sending out a notice to recruit for the initiatives.

November Plenary Planning

It is not clear where it the meeting will be, perhaps W98. Stu Schmill will be coming to the Feb. plenary; this one might be held at the MIT Welcome Center. Besides usual items for the plenary, the PVP program schedule will be announced, Pam will report on the Renewal program, and there will be a discussion and vote on the new SLI spec. An IRDF update on sustainability can be deferred to February.

Announcements

Pam will be sending out an FSILG-wide newsletter on Nov. 22.
Akil suggested that there be a by-laws review. Alex Pina is interested in being a part of the review.

The next Board meeting is Dec. 2. Pam will look into venues for a ‘holiday party’. After the meeting, it was suggested to have the Board meeting at NE83, which is directly across from the Cambridge Brewery, where the party could be held.

ML reported that PVP visits are being scheduled for January.

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**Planning the 3rd Annual Bob Ferrara Retreat**

The Retreat will be held 12-5 on Jan. 28 at the MIT Endicott House in Dedham.

One area of sustainability to discuss is financial operations. Other areas are the split of alumni and undergrad responsibilities such as the use of professional services, designing a typical schedule of events and activities for both undergrads and alumni, how to foster engagement of students and alumni to improve value of living in an FSILG. There was discussion about finding at least one student to talk about issues of interest to them such as recruitment, values prioritization.

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**Framework for Membership Support**

There are two aspects to how to support membership. One is to ask groups for the kind of help that they would want and another is to be more proactive, using available information to select groups for topic specific recommendations. A possible action is to survey membership.

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**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Herman Marshall, AILG Secretary

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**Abbreviations**

- AILG: Association of Independent Living Groups
- BSF: Building Safety Facilitator
- CPW: Campus Preview Weekend
- 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
- IS&T: MIT Information Systems & Technology
- LGC: Living Group Council
- MITAA: MIT Alumni Association
- NIC: North American Interfraternity Conference
- NPC: National Panhellenic Conference
- Panhel: Panhellenic Association
- SLI: Safety, Licensing, and Inspections
- VPF: Office of the Vice President for Finance at MIT