Hello AILG IT Committee people,

Here are Bob Xavier’s and my notes from the April 13 AILG IT Committee Meeting. Our next in-person meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 12 at 11AM in W98. Pam will reserve a room. At that meeting we can develop the meeting schedule for the next academic year, update the VOIP options description, decide on the network inspection compliance fee for the academic next year, and finalize the AILG Annual Report.

1. Attendees: John Morgante, Brian Stephens, Scott Klemm, Pam Gannon, Bob Xavier, and Bob Ferrara

2. Review of December 8 minutes. The minutes were accepted.

3. VOIP status & assistance. In response to a request from Hakim Salem of Fenway House, we noticed that VOIP link to the IS&T site page on the web page at https://ailg.mit.edu/fsilg-voip-information was broken. Brian attributed this to service changes from Broadsoft to Zoom. Instead he recommended linking to the description at https://kb.mit.edu/confluence/display/istcontrib/Zoom+Phone+Service and related pages at http://kb.mit.edu/confluence/display/istcontrib/Zoom+Phone+Service+FAQ and the main Zoom page at http://kb.mit.edu/confluence/display/istcontrib/Zoom+Landing+Page. Bob proposed also adding a sentence like “To find the phone numbers assigned to your FSILG House’s numbers, please write ailg-it@mit.edu for assistance.”

4. Comments on changes to MIT’s open WiFi networks. After some initial confusion, everything has settled down. Some changes confused alumni but that seems OK now.

5. Any changes needed to the Network Management Program. The latest version effective 7/1/2021 on the AILG IT Committee web page) seems fine. No changes are needed and the annual fee should remain at $2,100 per year.

6. Update on plans for replacement of Wireless Network Switches. This effort is going slowly and the FSILGs are planned to be done after most of campus is addressed. We can now expect upgrades to FSILGs will occur in late FY24 or in FY25.

7. AILG annual meeting items. We decided to prepare the Annual Report for the June AILG Annual Meeting at our next meeting. Both Bob Xavier and Bob Ferrara are willing to again share committee leadership for the next academic year.


Network closet inspections fee. Because of excellent compliance it was suggested that we consider dropping the refundable network closet inspection fee. Instead we could replace the carrot (the $200 refund for compliance) with a stick (a fine for non-compliance). All present agreed.

Cheers, Bob Xavier & Bob Ferrara, Co-chairs, AILG IT Committee
Charter:
- Collaborate with MIT’s IS&T (Information Systems and Technology) department to construct and maintain reliable network infrastructure and IT support services for FSILG residences.
- Maintain platform for the AILG web site (ailg.mit.edu) and AILG mailing lists.
- Provide optional services such as environmental monitoring & VOIP telephony to FSILG houses