

MINUTES
AILG Board Meeting

Monday, July 19, 2023 | via zoom | Meeting called to order at 6:15 pm by Akil Middleton

In Attendance

Board: Akil Middleton (ZP/Chair), Cecelia 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: Mark Thompson (ADP), Bob Ferrara (TC)

Review of Minutes

Some minutes have been provided via a Google Drive to Bob for uploading to the web site.

Treasurer’s Update and Financial Report

Bev has been under the weather and will provide a report later this week.

Annual Meeting Recap

Cecelia and ML were re-elected to the Board. Liz suggested trying to move the meeting earlier in June or even in May in order to get better representation from MIT admin and students. We should get the word out earlier, at least. Should try to settle on the date more like January preceding. Having appetizers instead of dinner seemed to work well but there could be a better notice that the event is as much for socializing as it is for AILG business.

FSILG Office and Council Update

Liz talked about areas where the AILG could be of particular use in the upcoming year. The office will be renamed to the office of “Residential and Community Life”. The search for a new senior Associate Dean is nearly done and will have an office in W59, along with the FSILG office. The Student Center renovation continues; 4th floor student spaces will be unavailable until October and there is a concern about availability for PanHellenic recruitment. There are some living groups with major issues, including one where the alumni and undergrads have major issues; there may be a time when the Board has to make a hard decision about supporting a living group. GRAs have been hired for all but one house; DSL has allotted additional funding for GRAs to be more equitable with on-campus GRAs due to sharing facilities such as bathrooms and kitchens. LCA is returning to MIT but SN will continue for one more year in the LCA house; LCA recruitment will begin in Spring 2024.

Potential Initiatives for ’23-24
Some ideas were to work supporting AILG members that might have difficulties (as identified by the FSILG office), focus on alumni recruitment to AILG members, the “Bob Retreat” in early 2024, reviewing the AILG by-laws.

**Board Officer Elections**

Nominations for officers were Chair: Akil, Vice-Chair: Cecilia, Treasurer: Bev, and Secretary: Herman.
All were elected by white ballot.

**Other Business and Announcements**

Committee chairs will be reviewed in September.
Next board meeting is planned for Sept. 7, with a plenary on Sept. 14. Board meetings will continue to take place on the 1st Thursdays of the month. There is some concern about conflicts between undergrad officer meetings and the Board meetings. A possible retreat will be considered via e-mail.
The meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Herman Marshall, AILG Secretary

**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