



AILG Plenary Meeting

Thursday, September 14, 2023 | in-person and zoom | Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Akil Middleton

In Attendance

Board: Akil Middleton (ZP), Cecilia Stuopis (AXO), Herman L. Marshall (BTP), Alex Pina (DTD), Beverly Borden (WILG)

Administration, Staff, Vendors: Pam Gannon (AP/DSL), Liz Jason (FSILG Office), Scott Klemm (FCI), Jessica Morris (FSILG Office), Anthony Dominguez (FSILG Office), Nellie King (FCI)

FSILGs attending: Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Delta Phi, Alpha Phi, Alpha Tau Omega, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Tau Delta, Fenway House, Lambda Chi Alpha, Phi Beta Epsilon, Phi Sigma Kappa, pika, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Chi, Student House, Tau Epsilon Phi/Xi, Theta Chi, Theta Tau, Theta Xi, WILG, Zeta Beta Tau, Zeta Psi

FSILGs not attending: Alpha Epsilon Phi, Alpha Epsilon Pi, Chi Phi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Phi Epsilon, Delta Psi/Number Six, Epsilon Theta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Sigma, Nu Delta, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Kappa Sigma, Phi Kappa Theta, Pi Beta Phi, Pi Lambda Phi, Sigma Kappa, Sigma Nu, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Theta Delta Chi

Roundtable Discussions

The attendees (and those on zoom) divided into small groups for a little informal discussion. Topics to help discussion included reasons to be involved in the AILG and objectives for the upcoming year.

Treasurer's report

Bev said there are no outstanding bills or invoices to pay yet, so finances are well under control.

FSILG Office / DSL, and Council updates

Anish summarized IFC rush; only 16 of 25 chapters have reported but it seems that more people are attending events. 175 bids have been accepted out of 211 reported bids, so the trend looks good. There were 600 in kickoff events but only 362 this year, perhaps due to more pre-rush (e.g. CPW) and less advertising. Leela Fredlund reported for PanHel. About 130 people joined living groups, approximately the same as last year. Three chapters were under quota and will continue recruitment. Jessica reported on MGC and LGC activity.

Liz Jason noted that a few new groups that were previously all male have decided to be gender inclusive: ADP, TDC, and ND. SPE has closed. East Campus has closed and will remain closed for two years; about 20 students will be housed by an SPE house at 518 Beacon. Thanks go out to various FSILGs who have helped house the 35 students from Theta Xi. Liz has compiled a list of support offices at MIT, which will be available on the AILG web site. Liz would like to obtain lists of relevant officers and contact information for each living group.

Facilities Renewal program

Pam Gannon reviewed the status of the program. Phase 1 continues, involving egress doors and hardware. Eventually, the program will involve fire alarm and sprinkler system updates. Nine more living groups (in Group 1) have volunteered for the next part of Phase 1 and Pam asked for volunteers for Group 2.

AILG Areas of Focus

New areas include 1) a survey responsibilities of each alumni board, 2) a review of the AILG by-laws, and 3) community outreach. Two areas to revisit from last year are the member support program and an initiative on sustainability. Sasha (pika) suggested getting examples of by-laws.

Announcements

The Weedon award is being restarted.

The IRDF will be accepting minor project grants with a deadline of Nov. 1. Pam sent out an e-mail today reporting on IRDF activities to all those who donated to the IRDF.

FCI annual meeting will be 7PM here next week. W20 is now open and FCI will be in the basement.

The next Plenary Meeting will be on Nov. 16, 2023 at 6PM, location TBD.

Adjournment – 8:00pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Herman L. 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	Information Systems & Technology
LGC	Living Group Council
MCG	Multi-Cultural Greeks
MITAA	MIT Alumni Association
NIC	North American Interfraternity Conference
NPC	National Panhellenic Conference
Panhel	Panhellenic Association
RFM	Release Figure Methodology (algorithm for optimizing Panhel recruitment)
SLI	Safety, Licensing, and Inspections
VPF	Vice President for Finance
VPR	Vice President Recruitment