AILG Annual Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 31, 2017 | MIT Museum | Meeting called to order at 8:38pm by Steve Baker

In Attendance

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

FSILGs not attending: Alpha Epsilon Pi, Number Six Club, Phi Kappa Sigma, Pi Beta Phi, Theta Delta Chi

AILG Board: Steve Baker, Eric Cigan, Pam Gannon, Dick Larson, Alice Leung, Akil Middleton,

MIT Administration and Other Guests: Bob Ferrara ('67 TC) (DSL); Brad Badgley, Liz Jason, Kayla Lemay (FSILG Office); Austin Ashe, Kim Hunter ('86 AP), Danielle Reddy (MIT Alumni Association); Scott Klemm, Oscar Argueta (FCI)

AILG Annual Dinner & Annual Meeting of the Membership

The AILG Annual Dinner & Meeting was held on May 31, 2017 at the MIT Museum. The evening featured remarks by MIT Provost Martin Schmidt SM’83 and guests included Vice President & Dean for Student Life Suzy Nelson and MIT Vice President Kirk Kolenbrander, along with FSILG alumni and students, and MIT staff members.

AILG Chair Steve Baker ‘84 presented the annual report (see handout and slides). Bob Ferrara ’67 MIT Division of Student Life presented an update about the FSILG Facilities Assessment (see slides).

Rob Calhoun ’90 Tau Epsilon Phi and Dave Latham ’61 Delta Upsilon/Theta Tau were honored with Outstanding Alumni Lifetime Achievement Awards. Dick Larson ’65 Phi Beta Epsilon was recognized for his years of service on the AILG Board. Brittany Scancarella and Kayla Lemay were recognized for their service in the FSILG Office. A handout noted the individuals and chapters that received awards and recognitions at the annual FSILG Award Reception held on May 3, 2017.

Presentation and Vote to Approve FY2018 Budget

AILG Treasurer Eric Cigan presented the AILG proposed fiscal year 2018 budget (see handout). Notable updates: AILG member dues will remain at $500, Safety, Licensing and Inspection (SLI) program fees will include a mandatory $550 per building fee (previously $500 and not increased since 2005) and an optional $775 fee for participation in the Building Safety Facilitation (BSF) program.

A Motion was made by Peter Lively, seconded by Alex Pina, to accept the budget as presented. The Motion passed unanimously.
Nomination and Election of AILG Directors

Elections were held for the 2017-18 AILG Board of Directors. Nominations, with seconds, were taken from the floor for: Alice Leung ’93 Epsilon Theta, Jessie Stickgold-Sarah ’97 Fenway House, Cecilia Stuopis ’90 Alpha Chi Omega. Each candidate gave a short description of their background and goals.

Results:
Alice Leung ’93 Epsilon Theta was re-elected to the Board.
Cecilia Stuopis ’90 Alpha Chi Omega was elected to the Board.

2017-18 AILG Board members are:
Steve Baker ’84 Theta Xi
Eric Cigan ’83 Lambda Chi Alpha
Pam Gannon ’84 Alpha Phi
Alice Leung ’93 Epsilon Theta
Akil Middleton ’08 Zeta Psi
Cecilia Stuopis ’90 Alpha Chi Omega

Nomination and Election of AILG Ombudspersons

Elections were held for the 2017-18 Ombudspersons. Nominations, with seconds, were taken from the floor for: Jessie Stickgold-Sarah ’97 Fenway House, Sara Wilmer ’03 Sigma Kappa, Stan Wulf ’65 Phi Delta Theta.

Ombudspersons for 2017-18 were elected:
Jessie Stickgold-Sarah ’97 Fenway House
Sara Wilmer ’03 Sigma Kappa
Stan Wulf ’65 Phi Delta Theta

West Campus Village Update

Steve Baker and Bob Ferrara updated the meeting on the work for the West Campus Village (see slide). They reviewed a brief history of the endeavor. They emphasized that it would be a voluntary option for individual chapters. The Steering Committee has completed its phase 1 report, which is circulating among the MIT administration.

The second phase of the project will include chapters that are potentially interested in moving into the Village. Chapters should submit a letter of interest from their house corporation board and their undergraduate chapter.

FSILG Facilities Assessment

Bob Ferrara updated the membership on the facilities condition assessment (see slide). This will be a comprehensive facilities assessment of all FSILGs in collaboration with MIT Facilities department. The goal of the assessment is to determine the needs for each building and to create a road map, timeline, and cost estimate in a user-friendly format.

A pilot will be conducted at three chapters, Sigma Kappa, No. 6, and Delta Tau Delta, to evaluate vendors. Subsequently, the same vendor will be used for the entire system. Financing for the assessments has not been finalized; it will likely be a shared model with funding from MIT, the IRDF and individual chapters. One possibility being evaluated is that each chapter will contribute $7500, either one-time or financed.

Appreciation

Steve Baker on behalf of the AILG Board and membership gratefully acknowledged VP & Dean for Student Life Suzy Nelson and the MIT Division of Student Life for supporting the AILG Annual Meeting & Dinner, and thanked Bob Ferrara and Graham Haskins for their work on the event.
Adjournment

The Annual Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

Abbreviations
AILG Association of Independent Living Groups
DSL Division of Student Life
FCI FSILG Cooperative, Inc.
FSILGs Fraternities, Sororities and Independent Living Groups
IRDF Independent Residence Development Fund