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Thursday, 1 March 2018 | MIT Room W59-237 | Public Meeting called to order at 6:36 pm by Akil Middleton

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### **In Attendance**

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Board Members: Akil Middleton (ZP), Pam Gannon (AP), Eric Cigan (LCA), Steve Baker (TX), Alice Leung (ET), Cecilia Stuopis (ACO; telephonically)

Administration and Staff: Bob Ferrara (DSL/TC), Brad Badgley (FSILG Office), Liz Jason (FSILG Office), Scott Klemm (FCI)

Other Alumni/ae: Tom Stohlman, Tom Holtey, Patrick McCabe, Herman Marshall, John Covert, Stan Wulf

Students: Arjun Mithal (TC/IFC President), Meredith Loy (PBP/Panhel President), Sasha Rickard (pika/LGC Speaker), Pravina Samaratunga (ET)

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### **Executive Session (Akil Middleton)**

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At 6:05 pm Akil Middleton convened an executive session of the Board to review the draft FSILG Relationship Agreement.

The public meeting agenda commenced at 6:36 pm.

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### **Review of Minutes (Steve Baker)**

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Minutes of the 1 February 2018 AILG Board meeting were reviewed and approved as presented.

Minutes of the 7 February 2018 AILG Plenary meeting were reviewed and approved as amended.

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### **Treasurer's Report (Eric Cigan)**

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Eric Cigan reported on the AILG's current financial position. Income and expenses are tracking expectations, except there are no expenses this year to date the Education program. Eric reported that receipt of funding from the IRDF is expected in about one week.

Eric presented a draft of the AY2019 budget for review and discussion. There was discussion about the Education Committee's budget and whether to continue to seek reimbursement from MIT for education expenses, since no funds have been expended for the past two years. No decision was reached on how to proceed on the Education budget. Eric will reach out to committee chairs to confirm budget requests.

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### **Student Council Updates**

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Arjun Mithal reported on the IFC's recent activities and news: The IFC won an award at the recent NGLA Conference for its risk reduction program. The IFC is working with DSL staff to resolve some kinks in the new on-demand safe ride program before CPW begins. The IFC is continuing to engage with DSL and other community members on the Social Events Policy revisions.

Meredith Loy reported on Panhel's recent activities: Panhel is planning work on an alumnae engagement program, development of a recruitment video, and has recently developed a goals statement.

The LGC has met recently and is working productively on several initiatives. Elections are planned for next month.

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### **FSILG Office Update (Brad Badgley)**

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Brad Badgley reported on the NGLA conference held in Pittsburgh at the end of February. The FSILG Office and IFC and Panhel Exec boards attended and felt it was very productive.

The AY2018-19 GRA selection process is continuing; the FSILG Office has pre-screened all candidates; those who passed are now being interviewed by FSILG organizations needing a new GRA.

CPW events planning is in progress; Panhel and IFC have submitted their proposed events to the FSILG Office.

An FSILG leadership retreat was held 3 February; representatives of the three student councils, the AILG board, all sororities, 2 of 5 ILGs, and 24 of 27 fraternities were present. The FSILG Office is currently reviewing student assessments for opportunities to improve next year's program.

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### **West Campus Village Update (Pam Gannon)**

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Pam Gannon reported on the recent activities of the WCV Steering Committee. There is a community meeting scheduled for 6:30 pm on Monday, 5 March, where more village design concepts and program information will be presented. All community members are invited to attend.

Bob Ferrara noted that the village now has the attention of the senior administration and is being evaluated intensively by senior staff across multiple departments.

Steve Baker noted that more work must be done to engage the students on the value and benefits of the village.

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### **Facilities Assessment Update (Bob Ferrara and Tom Stohlman)**

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Tom Stohlman reported that about half of the assessment visits have been conducted, and a handful of the draft reports have just been received. Follow-up meetings with each organization will be held shortly.

Tom again noted that some organizations are going to need assistance interpreting and implementing the recommendations in the reports. In addition, the Facilities Committee, FCI, and MIT Facilities are committed to helping organizations to select and hiring contractors.

Bob Ferrara noted that MITAA is preparing for fundraising efforts by the FSILGs to fund required improvements.

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### **FCI Update (Scott Klemm)**

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Scott Klemm reported on recent efforts to reimagine the FCI's activities. One more visioning session is planned for the student councils later in the spring. Items being discussed include data collection, financial management, and facilities management. Related to data collection, the FCI is considering taking over the house bill survey, offering a house billing function and tax filing services.

On facilities, FCI may offer facilities management and maintenance services. Scott noted that FCI may offer construction project management services and Owner's representation services.

Scott mentioned that FCI may offer boarder management services for non-member residents; it is considering running a pilot program this fall.

Scott stated that FCI is offering its assistance with the house bill survey this year at no cost. He noted that there may be a cost in future years.

**A motion was made, seconded, and passed to delegate responsibility for execution of the house bill survey to FCI for this year.**

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### **Progress toward 2017-2018 AILG Goals (Akil Middleton)**

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Akil Middleton led a discussion of progress toward AILG goals for the current year:

New FSILG Alumni Session: An information event is being planned for graduating seniors to encourage more engagement with the system among young alumni.

Community Benefits Report: Brad Badgley is convening a group of stakeholders to develop the content of the report. The goal is to complete it by the Annual Meeting.

MITAA Affinity Group: Akil Middleton is meeting Danielle Reddy next week to review an outline of the petition to the MITAA Board. Bob Ferrara expressed the concern that the AILG's relationship with the MITAA has become excessively transactional; he expressed the desire that the AILG build a relationship with the MITAA staff that is based on development of long-term mutual interests, not achievement of short-term goals.

FSILG Relationship Agreement: Pam Gannon reported that a draft of the agreement is in progress and will be presented at the April meeting.

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## Committee Updates

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Insurance: Scott Klemm reported that the Insurance Committee is recommending an increase in loss of income/extra expense coverage, in case a house becomes uninhabitable and students have to be accommodated elsewhere.

Facilities: Pat McCabe reported that Boston has been slow in issuing Certificates of Inspection.

The Accreditation Committee has finalized its annual report for AY2016-17.

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## Other Business/ Announcements

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The next AILG Board meeting will be **Monday, 9 April** in W59-200, with dinner starting at 6:00 pm and the meeting called to order at 6:30 pm.

The next AILG Plenary meeting and will be **Thursday, 19 April** in W20, with breakfast starting at 7:00 am and the meeting called to order at 7:30 am.

The FSILG Awards Ceremony will be **Wednesday, 2 May** in the Samberg Center, from 7:00 to 10:00 pm.

The 2018 AILG Annual Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, 30 May** in the MIT Museum, reception beginning at 5:45 pm.

Brad Badgley will be requesting alumni nominations for the FSILG awards presentation.

The Pi Giving Day challenge for the IRDF has been finalized. The 484 Foundation will contribute directly to the IRDF in proportion to the number of donors who make gifts; 500 donors will be required for the IRDF to receive the full challenge amount.

Steve Baker noted that he will be retiring from the board this year and that a successor should be recruited.

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## Adjournment

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The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Baker, Secretary

### Abbreviations

AILG	Association of Independent Living Groups
BDF	Basic Data Form
DSL	Division of Student Life
FCI	FSILG Cooperative, Inc.

FSILGs	Fraternalities, Sororities and Independent Living Groups
IFC	Interfraternity Council
ILGs	Independent Living Groups
IRDF	Independent Residence Development Fund
LGC	Living Group Council
Panhel	Panhellenic Association