



## AILG Board Meeting

Thursday, November 5, 2020 | Zoom | Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm by Akil Middleton

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### In Attendance

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Board: Tyler Kemp-Benedict (pika), Akil Middleton (ZP), Cecilia Stuopis (AXO)

Administration, Staff, Vendors: Brad Badgley (FSILG Office), Liz Jason (FSILG Office), Madi Clark (FSILG Office), Pam Gannon (DSL), Scott Klemm (FCI), Joshua Schuler (FCI/BSF)

Other Alumni/ae: Stan Wulf (PDT, AILG Ombuds), Patrick McCabe (TT), Tom Stohlman (KS), Mark Thompson (ADP), Tom Holtey (CP), Bob Ferrara (TC), Larry Stabile (TDC),

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### Review of Minutes

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Minutes of the Board's September and October meetings and September Plenary were deferred due to lack of a quorum.

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### Treasurer's report

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Eric Cigan reported in absence that the funds (~\$64,000) from the AILG Dues, SLI, BSF support from FCI had been deposited so \$ 76,000+ is on hand. Eric will transfer about \$50,000 to the AILG savings account to earn some interest. Question was raised: Where is the approved IRDF support to the AILG SLI program?

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### FSILG Office / DSL, and Council updates

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Brad Badgley reported the office has been dealing with student support issues around Covid and the election.

Liz Jason reported that IFC Recruitment will occur this spring virtually, and specific dates are being finalized tonight at the presidents' council. Most likely the first two weeks will be structured, and recruitment will be informal after that. A registration process is expected to be online by Thanksgiving break. IFC learned from Panhel that recruitment "can be virtual and successful" and that required registration signup is useful.

IFC recruitment has been a big area of interest for fraternity alums. Think of ways alums can best help the undergrads for successful recruitment.

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### Review of Ongoing Efforts

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Summer/Spring reimbursements – Pam reported that reimbursements are almost complete with just a handful pending and two extensions still outstanding. We hope they will be done in the next month.

Long-term planning initiative and Ops Team – Akil reported that the organization of the high-level group will probably get re-started now that MIT has made the big decisions re spring 2021.

FSILG email newsletter – Last sent in 2011 – Pam reported that she is working with the Alumni Association on a template and generating the list of alumni. Hopefully this will be out in the next few

weeks. Short news bursts, Board members and the Nobel won by a DP#6 Alum. This newsletter cannot ask for money but will include a pointer to IRDF.

Updating contact directory – Desire to update the contact information – AILG will work with FCI to figure out a way to make this happen and more accessible to the community.

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## FSILG Spring and Beyond

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FSILGS will remain closed during the Spring term per the letter from Chancellor Barnhart, and MIT will invite Juniors, Sophomores, and First-Years back to Campus. What are the major to-dos this spring and what are the opportunities with the houses empty? How can the alumni support the chapters and the buildings? What are things that should be done before the grand reopening in Fall '21?

Tom S brought up the FLIP program and expressed a desire to get at least Phase I completed. A consultant was picked for Phase I, and then Covid hit. Funding was in place for the survey of Phase I but not the work. Much of Phase I (egress doors and hardware) is part of regular maintenance. Scott advocated addressing “interior spit and polish of the houses” (common area painting, cosmetic electrical, etc.) and also noted the relearning curve for the students when they return. Tom H suggested maybe using Zoom or other video methods to record a series of educational programs. Scott suggested a whole educational toolbox on how to operate the houses (i.e., how these facilities function, what the students are responsible for and what alums are).

Akil brought up realigning community expectations and roles (alum, undergrads, etc). Brad brought up reimagining the FSILGs. How can the alums help the undergrads in the realigning / reset imposed by Covid?

Patrick brought up the question of whether summer could be used as a startup period for the residents and the buildings if residency is allowed over the summer.

Bob brought up reengaging the neighbors when students do return (if allowable under Covid)

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## November Plenary Agenda

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Suggest an update from Cecilia on Medical

Pam will have an update from the Alumni Association – new liaison is Amy Davis

IRDF update, announce project grants deadline extension

AILG Facilities Committee Winter Guidelines

IST Committee – MIT Wireless upgrade has been completed and done on MITs dime.

PVP Update

Akil asks for each committee to send a brief outline (bullet points) of high-level topics they are working on.

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## Other Business

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AILG Insurance checking with carrier about buildings being empty in Spring

FCI is working with Cambridge ISD to get buildings inspected.

FSILG Office completed the “Train the Trainer” diversity training facilitation.

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## Committee chairs and charges

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Approval of Facilities Committee Chair - deferred due to lack of quorum, but agreed Tom S. can be acting Chair in the meantime

Review committee charges and elect chairs at the next monthly Board meeting.

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## Announcements

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The next Plenary is November 12<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

The next board meeting date is December 3<sup>th</sup> at 6pm

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## Adjournment – 7:01pm

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Respectfully Submitted,

Tyler Kemp-Benedict, 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	Fraternalities, Sororities and Independent Living Groups
IFC	Interfraternity Council
ILGs	Independent Living Groups
IRDF	Independent Residence Development Fund
ISD	Inspectional Services Department
IS&T	Information Systems & Technology
LGC	Living Group Council
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
VPR	Vice President Recruitment