

AILG Board meeting

September 13, 2004

1) Opening

Attendance: Dan Geer, Chris Rezek, Dave Burmaster, Jim Bueche, Tom Holtey, Herman Marshall, Robert Ferrara, Steve Paik, Susan Woodmansee

Minutes: The minutes were approved after adding Bob's name to the list of those attending the meeting.

2) Officer Reports

Financial report: Chris reported that food would be about \$3-4K per year for AILG breakfasts and one faculty club dinner, about \$10K for the courses on house management and treasury, \$1K for miscellaneous items such as awards, billing and other unexpected expenses. The total is about \$14-15K. At 33 houses paying \$450 each, we would acquire \$14,850 while 37 FSILGs paying this amount provides \$16,650. Part of the presentation of this issue will be to say that these costs were previously funded in a somewhat "invisible" manner as part of the insurance bills. Furthermore, FCI will bill for the dues on behalf of the AILG, so that any FSILG that doesn't pay will show an outstanding balance when applying for an operations grant. Thus, it would be in each house's best interest to pay the dues in order to receive many \$K of operations grant funding.

3) Committee Reports

General: There are three standing committees to the AILG: economic development, public relations, and accreditation. After the next AILG meeting, members of these committees will be appointed. Interested parties should contact the Dan. These reports will generally precede new and old business.

Economic Development: Steve reported that the Financial Transition Plan committee has met rarely and that the FTP process is beginning to fail to meet its primary objectives.

Public Relations: The current PR committee hasn't met for quite a while and should be reinstated and nominations are encouraged. Meanwhile, Matt Condell has prepared a replacement AILG web page.

4) Old Business

Parking at AILG meetings: Herman reported that the green vouchers that

were used last year to enable parking at the Kresge lot will also be available this year. Furthermore, the West Annex lot will be available as well.

5) New Business

Goals for the year: We will remove the goal of growing the capacity of the FSILG system and to add one supporting accreditation. Discussion ensued about the FSILG task force report. The Task force report will be sent out on Sept. 20 and they will close the site for feedback by Oct. 20. There will also be open discussion of it with its authors at the Alumni Leadership Conference. Decision was to hold two report discussion meetings to allow the membership of the AILG to discuss the issues in the report. The dates suggested are Monday evening, October 4 and Tuesday morning, October 5. Bob will arrange a room, which is tentatively assigned to be E25. Based on these two meetings, the Board will develop a formal comment at the next meeting on October 18, to be provided by the time of the deadline. An objective that was not incorporated into these goals at present was to develop measures of success toward these goals.

The result was the following:

- Strong houses and house corporations (know them all, get/create tools)
- Economic buttressing (grants and contributions, econ models)
- Strategic assessment reports (govt/press/MIT roles, and relationships)
- Productively respond to the three major opportunities (grants program, accreditation, and the Task Force findings)
- Recruitment intervention (parents, public generally)
- Educational offerings (HMI01, TRI01, risk managers [TBR])

Housing accreditation initiative: Susan reported about the near term plan. She plans to call for volunteers for an accreditation process development committee. The committee would be assigned the task of preparing a report for the subsequent AILG meeting about how to begin the process.

Items for the agenda should be sent by noon to me as the Secretary which would be discussed at the AILG meeting. Herman will send out an e-mail to the ailg with any documents that require discussion or vote at the AILG meeting.

Bob reported about the progress on operation grants. He also showed an example of a report on alumni contributions, distribution by state and year that can be constructed for any particular living group. The Board was very interested in getting these reports for their own living groups. There's an entry for those who volunteer as well.

Chris noted that he'll be meeting with the MIT Comptroller's office to enable the FCI to contract with on-campus services.

6) Closing

The next meeting is scheduled for October 18. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45.