

MIT AILG, Inc. Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 1st, 2012 at 6:30PM, W59-237

Board Members in attendance: Ernie Sabine, Stan Wulf, Alice Leung, Sara Wilmer and Rich Possemato. Also attending: Bob Ferrara, Ryan Andrews, Scott Klemm, Marlana Martinez Love and Don Camelio.

The meeting commenced at 6:30 pm.

I. Review Minutes of 2/2 Board and 2/15 Plenary Meetings – Rich Possemato. The Board reviewed and made a motion, seconded, and passed (MSP) to adopt the February 2nd Board meeting and February 15th Plenary meeting minutes.

II. Review of AILG Financials Year-to-Date – Sara Wilmer. Sara reviewed the payments made in the past month: the FCI bill and food for the plenary and facilities meeting as well as D&O insurance (all within their budgets). Total expenses are \$58,905.84 year to date, which is as expected, and Sara expects to come in approximately on budget. Ryan requested ~\$600 for the education budget, which would be covered by the FSILG office. Sara is working on the budget for next year including finalizing budgeting for insurance expenses (i.e. documentation management). Sara is not expecting any major differences in expenses for next year's budget. Retained fees at the end of the last FY were approximately \$35,000. Alpha Epsilon Phi paid their past two years of member dues.

III. Introduction of Don Camelio, new Director of CDSA (Community Development and Substance Abuse Programs). Marlana introduced Don Camelio as the new Director of Community Development and Substance Abuse. The CDSA does prevention, education and intervention work for students. There is some confusion among the students about the implications for using the confidential medical transport service and Don's office will be reaching out to students to educate them about the policy. The CDSA also does policy analysis and is reviewing enforcement related issues in the community and is working on bringing party registration on-line. Don is also being asked to do general consultation about alcohol use and abuse. Don reported that when compared to peer institutions MIT students have a higher percentage of abstainers from alcohol, and nationally student perceptions around alcohol consumption are skewed towards the belief that more drinking is occurring, than actually is occurring. The office also provides education and counseling services for students who are at high risk for alcohol or substance abuse and runs a Party Safe program which help students who run parties in the residence halls or FSILGs manage their risk exposure. There will be a transitional period in which the responsibilities of the CDSA office are worked out with other MIT offices that had taken on a role in substance abuse programs in the former absence of a CDSA.

With respect to the Strategic Plan, the CDSA can support the AILG by providing alcohol education programming, continuing to support the CARMA program, supporting the RA program, and assisting with compliance requirements from national organizations.

IV. FSILG Update – Marlana Martinez Love. There were several neighbor noise complaints two weekends ago to the Boston Police and the City of Boston regarding some Boston chapters. The City said that they were going to inspect the premises and Marlana worked with Tom Stohlman to facilitate this process. There will be a memorial service on Saturday March 17 at 4 PM in the MIT Chapel for Brian Anderson, a Beta Theta Pi affiliated student who passed away recently. RA applications for next year should be completed by March 23rd.

V. Planning/Discussion of AILG Annual Meeting/Banquet – All

There was a discussion about whether the Annual Meeting date should be moved to May in 20 Chimneys to allow more students to come. It was agreed that this year we will stay with the Faculty Club at the June date and there will be discussion about a May 2013 Annual meeting date at a future time. There was a discussion about the keynote speaker to be invited and potential Board vacancies.

VI. Committee Reports

- a. **Accreditation – David Hutchings.** Nothing to report.
- b. **Education – Ryan Andrews.** There will be four speakers at the alumni volunteer seminar on April 26th at 6:30PM.
- c. **Facilities Committee – Steve Summit.** No report.
- d. **Insurance – Scott Klemm.** The insurance policy renewal is under way. Chapters have been billed.
- e. **Finance Committee – Rich Possemato.** The 2011-2012 Housebill survey is underway and has had a healthy response.
- f. **IT/Telecom – Bob Ferrara.** The Committee is waiting for the cost numbers for fiber optic cable to Boston.

VII. New Business

There was a discussion on Plenary meeting formats that would revitalize the meeting and allow for more interaction among members. This included changing the seating format to small round tables and leaving a significant amount of time for discussion as well as moving most committee reports to paper only and minimizing the amount of time needed.

Marlena asked to discuss the issue of the value of AILG membership to those FSILGs not housed in independent housing at a future time.

Upcoming AILG related events:

FSILG Strategic Planning Theme Team Meeting: Tuesday, April 3 – W20 West Lounge (201)
4:30pm-6:30pm

Next Board Meeting: Thursday, April 5

Next AILG Plenary Meeting Date: Wednesday April 11

CPW: Friday – Sunday April 19-22

Cambridge Science Festival: April 20 – May 29

3rd Annual FSILG Alumni Connections Seminar: Thursday, April 26 – Hulsizer Room (Ashdown House, 235 Albany St) – 6:30 to 7:30 pm

FSILG 2012 Awards Reception: Tuesday, May 15

Last day of classes: Thursday, May 17

Commencement: Friday, June 8

MIT Reunion: Friday – Sunday, June 8-10

AILG Annual Meeting: June 13

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57pm.