MIT AILG Plenary Meeting
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 12th 2012, 7:30AM in W20, Mezzanine Lounge

The meeting was called to order at 7:32AM

Members Present: Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Phi, Alpha Tau Omega, Beta Theta Pi, Chi Phi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Epsilon Theta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Sigma, Lambda Chi Alpha, Nu Delta, Phi Beta Epsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Kappa Sigma, Phi Kappa Theta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Kappa, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Student House, Tau Epsilon Phi, Theta Chi, Theta Xi, Zeta Psi

Members Absent: Alpha Delta Phi, Alpha Epsilon Pi, Alpha Epsilon Phi, Delta Upsilon, Delta Tau Delta, Fenway House, Six Club, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Sigma Kappa, Pi Beta Phi, Pi Lambda Phi, pika, Sigma Chi, Sigma Nu, Theta Delta Chi, WILG, Zeta Beta Tau

Other Community Members Present: Denzil Sikka (Panhel President), Eyas Alsharaiha (LGC Speaker), Tommy Anderson (IFC President), Marlena Martinez Love (FSILG Office), Scott Klemm (FSILG Cooperative), Robert Ferrara, Cat Sohor (FSILG Office), Adam McCready (FSILG Office), Dennis Collins (MIT Housing Office), Charlie Frick (Stewart Howe), Katie O’Hara (Stewart Howe) and Henry Humphreys (MIT DSL).

Welcome and Introductions – Ernie Sabine initiated a round of introductions of attendees.

FSILG Office Update – Marlena Martinez Love (marlenam@mit.edu). Panhel President Denzil Sikka reported a successful recruitment with 175 bids. There was a change from a four to three day sorority recruitment schedule. LGC speaker Eyas Alsharaiha reported that the ILGs were satisfied with the amount of traction that they were getting during recruitment. The LGC will be starting LGC-leadership meetings soon. IFC president Tommy Anderson reported a successful recruitment. 426 fraternity bids were offered to 362 men with 266 having accepted bids to date, and there are a significant number of invitations still open. The IFC has an upcoming president’s council meeting and risk managers meeting and there is a president’s retreat in mid-late October to discuss progress on the strategic plan. Marlena reported a quiet summer, although there were some trash, noise, and rodent complaints (particularly in the Fenway for the latter). There also needs to be a continuing dialog about party registration and collecting dues from summer members. The RA training and hiring has been revamped for this year by Adam McCready. Alumni corporations are asked to return RA agreements so that RA stipends can be released.

Treasurer’s Report – Sara Wilmer (drebbel@alum.mit.edu). Sara presented the current year budget and the year to date profit and loss statement. The AILG is on track for this year’s budget. Last year the AILG was on or under budget for most items. Dues have been paid by most organizations.

AILG Strategic Planning Committee (SPC) – Steve Baker (sbaker@alum.mit.edu). Steve gave some background on the Strategic Plan and its genesis and described the Themes of the
plan. Stan Wulf asked about the interface between the DSL plan and the FSILG plan, and Bob, Steve and Marlena said that while there may be some differences, the FSILG plan is further along than the DSL plan and so the FSILG plan will be used by the DSL plan and will influence the DSL plan. There was a brief discussion about the concerns that MIT has about fraternity recruitment (timing, elitism, divisiveness between FSILG and dormitory system, distraction from academics). The Panhel, LGC and IFC representatives spoke in support of the plan and their enthusiasm with its implementation. There was a discussion about whether this was an opt-in or opt-out plan (it is opt-in, but for the plan to be strong all members need to work together).

Steve placed a motion before the floor to adopt the Strategic Plan, which was revised over the summer to accept member input. There was a discussion about the extent to which the plan is coercive and the extent to which the plan was edited from the June version.

**The vote to adopt the Strategic Plan carried with no organizations voting against adoption of the plan.**

Steve described the implementation phase of the plan, including an organizational chart. “Champions” have been identified for most initiatives. These champions are in charge of implementing the respective initiatives. There is also a Steering Committee for each theme to assist the champions in succeeding in their initiatives. A Strategic Plan Executive Committee will oversee the Steering Committees and receive input from student and AILG leadership. Steve has asked for additional volunteers to champion the remaining initiatives. Steve offered to have members of the Steering Committee speak to Alumni Corporations from individual chapters upon request.

There will be a Breakfast of Champions on September 27th at 8AM in Maseeh Hall to kickoff the plan implementation phase.

**New Business and Committee Announcements**

**Accreditation**—David Hutchings (djhutch@alum.mit.edu). Ernie presented the schedule of accreditation reviews for the coming year. John Covert will be asking for volunteers to serve on visiting committees and for organizations being reviewed in the Fall to sign-up for time slots.

**Education** – Ryan Andrews (randrews@alum.mit.edu). Ernie reported that curricula for the core courses are being lined up.

**Facilities** – Steve Summit (scs@alum.mit.edu). Tom Stohlman reported that the facilities committee will be discussing (1) how to help houses follow up on chronic problems and (2) how to design and implement a disaster plan for the FSILGs. Tom asked that chapters pay additional attention to keeping egress ways clear of obstacles. There should be a three foot wide path to all exits. He asked for additional volunteers at next Tuesday’s 7:30am meeting. Scott Klemm reported that roof deck certification will be tracked by the SLI system in the near future. Also, the City of Boston will be enforcing dumpster permitting. Scott will have documentation forthcoming on behalf of all chapters. Tom Holtey indicated that the SLI registry will track the requirement for each chapter to have an exemption to house non-MIT students during the summer.
IT – Bob Ferrara (rferrara@mit.edu). Twelve chapters have opted in to higher bandwidth from Verizon and this has not yet been turned on for the 8 additional houses who opted in recently.

Finance – Rich Possemato (posse@alum.mit.edu) and Stan Wulf (sawulf@alum.mit.edu). The finance committee will launch another housebill survey in the Spring.

Insurance – Jim Bueche (jbueche@alum.mit.edu). Chapters have their insurance inspections upcoming, so please respond to requests from Willis. Jim is looking for an additional volunteer with insurance experience to assist on the committee. Stan asked that chapters who go outside the AILG liability insurance to check that RAs are covered under their individual insurance policies.

IRDF—Tom Holtey (tholtey@alum.mit.edu). Tom reported on the IRDF photo contest, grant application schedule, project grant policy, IRDF annual report, and gave a thank you to IRDF donors. He also presented the list of alumni volunteers and MIT administrators with roles managing IRDF funds. Chapters need to have their IRDF operating grant applications handed in by 4 months after the end of their fiscal year.

Announcements
- L. Rafael Reif MIT Presidential Inauguration, September 21 at 2:30pm in Killian Court
- Alumni Leadership Conference September 21-22
- Strategic Plan Breakfast of Champions Kickoff, September 27th 8AM, Maseeh Hall
- Chapter Risk Management Advisor (CARMA) meeting – September 27th
- Board meets on 1st Thursday of month (10/4, 11/3) at 6:30 pm in W59

- NEW DATE: Next AILG Plenary Meeting – November 14th at 7:30AM.
  Secretary’s Note: This date was later re-corrected to November 8th

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45AM.