

**MIT AILG, Inc. Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013 at 5:30PM, W59-237**

Board Members in attendance: Ernie Sabine, Alice Leung, Steve Baker and Rich Possemato. Also attending: John Covert, Scott Klemm, Marlena Martinez Love, Tom Stohlman, Tom Holtey, Bob Ferrara and Zuzanna Balewski (LGC Speaker).

The meeting commenced at 6:38 pm.

**I. Review Minutes of 12/6 Board Meeting – Rich Possemato.** The Board reviewed and made a motion, seconded, and passed (MSP) to adopt the December 6<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting minutes.

**II. Review of AILG Financials Year-to-Date – Sara Wilmer.** The Board reviewed the July - December 2012 Profit and Loss Budget vs. Actual statement and payments made during the past month. We paid for an accreditation date and filed the organization's 990. All of the expenses for the year to date are as expected.

**III. DSL Update – Marlena Martinez Love.** Nothing substantial to report as the students are mostly on vacation. Please remind chapters to ensure that their windows are closed.

**IV. FSILG Strategic Initiative Progress – Steve Baker.** The executive committee held an organizational meeting with the new student leaders. The alumni members of the executive committee also met separately. These groups identified several theme initiatives to focus on in the near term (initiatives 1.2, 2.4, 3.3, 4.1, 4.1 and 5.2). One major unifying theme to improve upon is the equal treatment of all students across the MIT campus regardless of their living arrangement. These include implementing Odyssey to include FSILGs, fiber-optic connection to Boston houses, dining, the RA program, issues related to MITIMCo-owned properties, fundraising infrastructure, and an FSILG community housemaster. There was a discussion about bringing in additional alumni input on the strategic plan.

**V. Committee Reports and IRDF report**

- a. Facilities – Scott Klemm and Tom Stohlman.** The committee discussed bringing in HEET, a non-profit based in Cambridge, to do an energy audit of interested houses. This includes training on winterizing and identifying ways to save energy.
- b. Insurance – Scott Klemm.** Investigations into increasing the liability limit are ongoing. The newsletter Fraternal Law is now on-line only.
- c. IT/Telecom – Bob Ferrara and Scott Klemm.** IS&T will be publicizing their policy requiring chapters not to augment the MIT internet connection. Otherwise, MIT will cut their connection.
- d. IRDF – Tom Holtey.** The IRDF is gearing up for their 50<sup>th</sup> year celebration. Preliminary numbers for the Boston fiber optic connection cost are becoming available.

**VI. New Business**

**Discussion of speaker for the AILG annual June meeting.**

There was a discussion about individuals who might speak at the annual AILG meeting, whose names Bob recorded and to whom he will begin reaching out.

There was a discussion about informing alumni about current FSILG life and how we can explain current FSILG concerns to older alumni. Ernie will draft something that might be circulated in Bob's e-mail to alumni or publicized otherwise.

A draft of Bob's next letter to the FSILG alumni will be circulated soon.

### **Strategic Plan**

There was a discussion about what aspect of the Strategic Plan will be discussed at the February Plenary and how the AILG community could be engaged to provide feedback, perhaps by sending out a short survey ahead of time.

Steve would like to increase PR for the plan by getting more undergraduate involvement in social media advertising, having an article in the Tech, and increasing alumni outreach. One possibility would be to modify the AILG website to be more interactive in addition to being a repository of documents.

### **MITIMCo Leases**

The Board discussed the leases that the three Boston sororities have with MITIMCo, MIT's investment property management group. The lease requires the tenants maintain the property, but they do not gain an equity stake in the property. Other chapters who have leases with MIT and their individual situations were also discussed. Steve will be interacting with all of these chapters to determine what are their concerns and most desirable outcomes.

### **VII. Announcements**

James Edgerton '66, former National President and MIT Alumni Corporation Chair of Chi Phi, recently passed away. Chi Phi will be announcing a memorial service for him at the MIT Chapel.

There was a brief discussion about chapters having an excessive number of graduate student residents. The Board passed this issue on to the accreditation committee.

Scott suggested that the AILG remind members that all residents, except the RAs are required to be students. This reminder is prompted by questions being asked by the Cities.

The Board went into executive session to discuss the accreditation reports of Epsilon Theta (reservation overturned), Fenway House (minor revisions requested), and Sigma Alpha Epsilon (accepted as written).

### **Upcoming Events:**

February AILG Board Meeting: Thursday, Feb. 7th at 6:30PM

February AILG Plenary Meeting: Wednesday, Feb. 13th at 7:30AM

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm.