

**MIT AILG Plenary Meeting  
Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup> 2013, 7:30AM in W20, Twenty Chimneys**

The meeting was called to order at 7:34AM

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

Members Absent: Alpha Delta Phi, Alpha Epsilon Pi, Alpha Epsilon Phi, Alpha Tau Omega, Delta Tau Delta, Delta Upsilon, Number Six Club, Phi Gamma Delta, Pi Beta Phi, Pi Lambda Phi, pika, Sigma Kappa, Tau Epsilon Phi, Theta Delta Chi, WILG.

Student Leaders and Community Members Present: Philine Huizing (Panhellenic President), Zuzanna Balewski (LGC Speaker), Andrew Dorne (IFC President), Marlena Martinez Love (FSILG Office), Scott Klemm (FSILG Cooperative), Robert Ferrara (MIT DSL), Cat Sohor (FSILG Office), Dennis Collins (MIT Housing Office), Charlie Frick (Stewart Howe), Katie O'Hara (Stewart Howe).

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

**FSILG Office Update – Marlena Martinez Love (marlenam@mit.edu).** Please take care as the sidewalks are difficult to navigate. The RA task force has submitted their report to Dean Humphreys, and Marlena want to thank everyone involved. Any changes to the RA program will likely not happen until the 2014-2015 academic year. Adam McCready will be sending out a communication in the coming weeks to ask whether any groups are going to be undertaking an RA search for the coming year. Next weekend a delegation of students will be attending a Greek leadership conference in Hartford.

Panhellenic President Philine Huizing reported that Panhel has set as goals to increase transparency and communications. LGC Speaker Zuzanna Balewski reported that the LGC is talking about increasing visibility of the ILGs on campus.

Campus Preview Weekend is April 11-14 and MIT will be working with FSILGs about spreading the message about living options at MIT.

Marlena thanks everyone for helping to deal with the blizzard and encouraging undergraduates not to have events on last Friday night.

**Treasurer's Report – Sara Wilmer (drebbel@alum.mit.edu) (Presented by Ernie).** Sara reported that we are right on track with expenses for the year relative to the budget. A draft budget for 2013-2014 will be presented at the April plenary meeting, and Sara does not expect there to be any significant changes.

**AILG Committees Q&A – All.** Ernie opened the floor to questions for the committee chairs or any special announcements by the chairs not mentioned in their written reports, which are available on-line at (<http://ailg.mit.edu/committees/plenary/>)

**Education -- Ryan Andrews (randrews@alum.mit.edu):** The Alumni/ae Connections Seminar is April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

**IRDF—Tom Holtey (tholtey@alum.mit.edu).** Tom announced that all of the IRDF project grant applications have been approved. Lisa Tatterson is looking for assistance with planning for the IRDF 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary Gala next February 14<sup>th</sup>. Please contact her or Tom if you are interested in participating.

**FSILG Community Strategic Plan Executive Update – Steve Baker (sbaker@alum.mit.edu).**

Steve recapped the history of the genesis of the strategic plan and asked Theme Team coordinators for updates. There is more information about the plan on the AILG website (<http://ailg.mit.edu/committees/strategic-planning/>).

**Theme One -- Marlena Martinez Love (marlenam@mit.edu).** A Twitter chat was organized to discuss what are the values of the organization. Ryan Andrews is working with the Education initiative to build a better FSILG education program. Another theme is focused on membership accountability and they are collecting documents about communicating expectations. If groups have a member expectations document that they would like to share, please contact Marlena. There is a vacancy for a theme champion for 1.4: interacting with the Institute.

**Theme Three -- Steve Baker (sbaker@alum.mit.edu).** Theme three focuses on creating a plan to bring all groups up to new campus standard, led by Steve and Dennis Collins, and will be trying to reassess all of the FSILGs along the lines of the 1997 Vanderweill report. Theme 3.2 is about creating spaces for multi-disciplinary learning (sandboxes). Theme 3.3 focuses on capital planning, and a tool for doing capital planning has been championed by Ernie and is being beta-tested by several groups. Theme 3.4 focuses on property management options. Theme 3.5, led by Tom Stohlman is focused on those groups with leases from MIT to attempt to modify those leases to work better for our groups as FSILG housing.

**Theme Four -- David Hutchings (djhutch@alum.mit.edu).** Theme 4.1 is about recruitment and leadership transition. Theme 4.2 is focused on the first year experience and how we can better improve that. Theme 4.4 is focused on outreached to parents and is looking for a champion.

**Theme Five -- Bob Ferrara (rferrara@alum.mit.edu).** Theme 5.1 is about new models for alumni engagement with FSILGs. Theme 5.2 focuses on fostering undergraduate mentoring programs, including expanding the ICAN program. Theme 5.3 is focused on expanding alumni communications. Theme 5.4 is focused on further developing fundraising infrastructure and support. Bob formally requested a leader of this effort from the Annual Fund of the Alumni Association. Theme 5.5 is dedicated to keeping currently working programs running and is championed by Stan Wulf.

**Theme Two -- Steve Stuntz (sstuntz@acornlab.com).** Theme two focuses on integrating undergraduate members into the FSILG community. They are currently asking the questions “How do we write up a relationship agreement with MIT? Where do we expect to be more independent or have more assistance from MIT?”

Steve and Marlana moderated a fantastic conversation about the relationship between the FSILGs and MIT and brainstormed about items which need to be considered in creating a relationship agreement between MIT and the AILG/FSILGs, including areas in which the AILG wants more independence or assistance. Comments were given from just about every representative in the room and these were compiled by Steve and Marlana. These comments will be made available here in the revised minutes and sent out to the group at large.

**Announcements**

The Board is looking for new members for the Board for the upcoming year. Additionally, the Board is interested in recruiting one MIT faculty member who is affiliated with an organization to the Board, and member organizations are encouraged to submit candidates.

Scott Klemm would like groups to please encourage undergraduates to clear the space around their dumpsters so that they can get trash removal service.

John Covert would like groups that are undergoing spring review to contact him about arranging a date if they have not done so already. Visiting committee volunteers are particularly needed.

There is a CARMA session planned for February 27<sup>th</sup>, location TBD.

The next Plenary meeting will be on April 17<sup>th</sup> in 20 Chimneys.

The Annual Meeting will be on June 12<sup>th</sup> at the MIT Faculty Club.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54AM.