

**MIT AILG, Inc. Board Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, February 7th, 2013 at 6:30PM**

Board Members in attendance: Ernie Sabine, Steve Baker, Rich Possemato, and David Hutchings. Also attending: Ryan Andrews, Scott Klemm, Tom Holtey, Bob Ferrara, and Marlana Love.

The meeting commenced at 6:30 pm with a round of introductions.

**I. Review Minutes of 1/3 Board Meeting – David Hutchings.** The Board reviewed and made a motion, seconded, and passed (MSP) to adopt the January 3rd Board meeting minutes, as amended.

**II. Review of AILG Financials – Scott Klemm.** Scott presented Sara's summary of the year to date financials. Sara is working to prepare a draft budget for March. Otherwise there was nothing of note to report.

**III. DSL Update – Marlana Love.** High levels of snow are expected; MIT and Marlana have sent emergency preparedness emails out, and the MIT webpage will be updated should MIT be closed (closure will be announced by 5am). Students will be reminded to shovel appropriately around FSILGs.

Marlana also reported on the RA task force. There will be no changes for the upcoming 2013-2014 academic year from the RA program currently in effect. Any changes will be effective in 2014-2015. The particulars of the RA task force's recommendations have not been broadly released; however, some of the areas being explored are employment (e.g., by MIT as unpaid graduate assistants), ensuring amenities provided are equitable, and changing the term from 12 months to 9 months. The application for 2013-2014 RA positions is already out.

In other news, MIT will be hiring a Title IX Coordinator next year, and will be replacing Christy Anthony (Director of the Office of Student Conduct) next year, as she will be leaving MIT.

A brief discussion about having BU emergency alerts sent to FSILGs was held. Marlana is looking into this. (In recent months Ryan Andrews has been forwarding these to FSILG RAs.)

**IV. FSILG Strategic Plan Update – Steve Baker.** The Strategic Plan is moving along, albeit slower than first expected. There is a meeting in 3 weeks with Deans Humphrey and Colombo about the plan and other AILG happenings.

**V. Discussion of 2/13 Plenary Meeting Agenda – All.** There was a discussion about the upcoming Plenary; in particular about the discussion Marlana and Steve Stuntz will be leading about independence and interdependence.

**VI. Annual Meeting/Banquet Venue – All.** President Reif will not be able to attend the annual dinner. However, he will be able to attend the reception. There was a discussion held about starting the reception early to allow more discussion with President Reif. Instead, it was decided his presence would be advertised to encourage attendees to be "on time." There was also a brief discussion about the cost of the dinner and who should bear the cost of inviting non-AILG members.

**VII. Board Elections – All.** David's and Ernie's terms are ending in June 2013. Neither intends to stand for reelection. Sara also reported that she intends to step down this summer,

and so there will be a special election in June for the last year of Sara's term. There was a discussion held about potentially recruiting an affiliated faculty member to the board.

#### **VIII. Committee Reports.**

**Education – Ryan Andrews.** The Alumni Connections Seminar will be held on April 25. Six to seven further programs seminars are in the midst of being scheduled.

**Facilities – Scott Klemm.** The FCI has many free (high-efficiency) light bulbs for FSILGs.

**Insurance – Scott Klemm.** There was a discussion about the upcoming Willis insurance billing, and the need for someone to collect the premiums. MSP that the FCI bill members for insurance.

A further discussion was held around MIT's earlier request for FSILGs to purchase additional insurance. Many of the particulars were not well understood. It was discussed to what extent options had been pursued. MSP that the Insurance Committee be asked to prepare a briefing document (white paper) on (i) the pros and cons of having insurance, (ii) what is the current insurance situation(s) for the AILG and FSILGs, (iii) what proposals exist to increase insurance coverage, and (iv) what the cost(s) would be, by the next board meeting.

**Finance – Rich Possemato.** The next version of the housebill survey will be going out soon.

**IT – Bob Ferrara.** Good progress is being made on the fiber project. MIT-controlled fiber might be in place to most FSILGs by fall 2013 (except pika, ET, ZBT, SN, and Fenway).

**IX. IRDF – Tom Holtey.** The IRDF will fund part, but not all, of the fiber optic project.

**X. Frequency of Board Meetings – All.** There was a discussion about how frequently the board should meet, with a proposal that we meet six times a year (before each plenary and the annual meeting, and one planning meeting in the summer). As a trial, it was agreed there would not be a March meeting and that the April meeting would continue as scheduled (April 4).

The new MIT Alumni Association Board was announced. Congratulations to Steve Baker, who is an incoming Vice President.

Bob announced that the semi-annual email to all FSILG alums would no longer be happening.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.