MIT AILG Plenary Meeting
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 13th 2014, 7:30AM in W20, Twenty Chimneys

Members Present: Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Phi, Beta Theta Pi, Chi Phi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Upsilon, Epsilon Theta, Fenway House, Kappa Sigma, Lambda Chi Alpha, Number Six Club, Nu Delta, Phi Beta Epsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Kappa Sigma, Phi Kappa Theta, Pi Lambda Phi, pika, Sigma Chi, Sigma Nu, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Theta Chi, Tau Epsilon Phi, Theta Xi, WILG, Zeta Beta Tau, Zeta Psi.

Members Absent: Alpha Delta Phi, Alpha Epsilon Phi, Alpha Epsilon Pi, Alpha Tau Omega, Delta Tau Delta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Sigma Kappa, Pi Beta Phi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Kappa, Student House, Theta Delta Chi.

Student Leaders and Community Members Present: Adam McCready (FSILG Office), Charlie Frick, Tom Klingman and Karie Allison and Stephen Trimball (Stewart Howe), Dennis Collins (MIT Housing Office), Haldun Anil (IFC President), Henry Humphreys (Dean of Student Life), Marlena Martinez Love (FSILG Office), Obasi Onuoha (IFC Treasurer), and Hannah Barrett (Panhel Executive VP).

The meeting was called to order at 7:30AM

I. Welcome and Introductions – AILG Chair Steve Baker initiated a round of introductions of attendees.

II. Treasurer’s Report – Anya Kattef (anya_kattef@yahoo.com). AILG Treasurer Anya Kattef presented the budget and year to date profit and loss statement. Invoices have been received for assembly/occupancy work, much of which is being generously covered by DSL. Other expenses and receipts are as expected.

III. FSILG Office Update – Marlena Martinez Love (marlenam@mit.edu).
Applications have been received from 60 RA candidates.

LGC: The LGC just transitioned their officers and Spring Rush went well for several groups.

Marlena is transitioning to a new role at MIT and DSL is initiating a search for a new Director.
Fsilg-office@mit.edu remains the e-mail address for all FSILG staff.
Jacob Oppenheimer is joining the FSILG Office staff in a role that includes acting as liaison to the IFC Judicial Committee.

IV. Accreditation Report – Herman Marshall (hermanmarshall@alum.mit.edu). Herman presented a comprehensive review of the Accreditation process including: history of the program, process of the accreditation reviews, policies, areas to improve that are in common across groups, some best practices, and future plans.
This presentation will be posted on the Accreditation Page of the AILG website: http://ailg.mit.edu/committees/ailg-accreditation-program/

There was a discussion on how to best disseminate the information included in the presentation and other future steps that the program could take.

V. FSILG Community Strategic Plan Update – Bob Ferrara and Sam Oppenheim (rferrara@mit.edu). A well-attended meeting to report on the progress of the strategic plan was held a few weeks ago, and there was a focused discussion on recruitment including a SWOT analysis.

VI. Briefing on the new Chancellor – Dick Larson (rclarson@mit.edu). Cynthia Barnhart is the new MIT Chancellor, and is in charge of “all things student”, including oversight of the Division of Student Life (DSL), the Dean for Undergraduate Education (DUE), and the Office of the Dean for Graduate Education (ODGE). Dick is trying to bridge the gap between the Chancellor, the faculty, and the FSILG community. If there are any long term issues that you would like him to raise with the Chancellor when they meet in two weeks, please e-mail Dick.

VII. AILG/IRDF Committee Reports
Reports were distributed for the Accreditation, Facilities, IT, Insurance, and Finance Committees. These reports and other handouts are available at http://ailg.mit.edu/committees/plenary/

The Accreditation Committee needs new volunteers for visiting committees.

The Facilities Committee has been merged with Strategic Plan Theme Team 3.

The Education Committee is seeking a Chair. Please reach out to Bob Ferrara if you are interested.

The IRDF has provided several new construction loans for larger projects. Henry Humphreys will be the keynote speaker at the IRDF 50 year celebration on Saturday April 26th. More information is included in the IRDF handout.

VIII. Boston ISD Update – Henry Humphreys, Steve Baker. The City of Boston did not reject our assembly occupancy applications, but did not accept them either. To address this, we engaged with a code expert, with whom Henry, members of the AILG Board, and others met yesterday. There will likely be some short term relief on the current limitations of occupancy restrictions announced within a week, and a longer term plan to come in approximately one month.

IX. Announcements
The AILG is soliciting at least 2 candidates for the Board of Directors; speak with any current board member for more information.

Next AILG Board meeting is Thursday 3 April at 6:00 pm in W59 2nd floor

Next AILG Plenary meeting is Wednesday 9 April at 7:00 am in 20 Chimneys
Primer on fundraising for FSILGs on 26 February in Maseeh Hall; 6:30 pm dinner, 7:00 pm meeting. Learn the basics of a capital campaign.

IRDF 50th Celebration, Saturday April 26; register now.

AILG Annual Meeting: Wednesday 11 June; location TBD

The Plenary heartily thanked Marlena for her 6.5 years of service as Director!

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 AM.