

MIT AILG, Inc. Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 3rd, 2014 at 7:00PM

Board Members in attendance: Steve Baker, Rich Possemato, Alice Leung, Eric Cigan and Anya Kattf. Also attending: Scott Klemm, Bob Ferrara, Adam McCready, Jacob Oppenheimer, Herman Marshall, Tom Stohlman, Tom Holtey, Peter Cooper, John Covert, Stan Wulf, Sam Oppenheim (IFC VP), Yasmin Inam (Panhellenic President).

The Board went into executive session (6-7pm) to discuss occupancy and other topics with MIT DSL.

The regular meeting commenced at 7:00 pm with a round of introductions.

I. Review Minutes of 2/6 Board and 2/13 Plenary Meeting – Rich. The Board reviewed and made a motion, seconded, and passed (MSP) to adopt the February 6th Board and February 13th Plenary meeting minutes, as amended.

II. Review of AILG Financials and FY 2015 Budget – Anya Kattf. Anya is working on collecting outstanding income items and there are no surprises this past month. We expect to have a deficit of \$7,000 for the year compared to what was budgeted due to a partial subsidy of the assembly occupancy studies approved by the AILG Board, but these issues do not pose a cash flow problem. Anya also presented the FY2015 budget, which has few proposed changes compared to the FY2014 budget, although the education budget is being eliminated. There was a discussion of how the BNS support has been used this past year and what the plan is for the BNS program going forward. Scott will provide some additional details. The accreditation program would like to increase their expenses and the requested support from DSL to pay for additional expenditures for the accreditation facilitator. Anya will ask DSL for this additional support. The Board agreed to provide a proposed budget after the April plenary, but before May 11th. Committees are requested to submit their budgets by April 15th. The Board will briefly meet on April 24th after the FSILG awards dinner to review the budget.

III. Update on Boston ISD

- a. Assembly occupancy (Steve). The code consultant came back with numbers higher than those previously arrived at. Despite this he is very optimistic that things will go very well when we meet with the City. Groups will be able to host students overnight for CPW provided that they do not exceed their legal occupancy.
- b. Inspections (Tom). The Boston inspector this year is paying particular attention to egress issues and may require chapters to move/remove lofts and provide additional means of accessing windows or other egress routes. The details will become more apparent when the inspectors visit each individual house, but chapters should be prepared to make alterations, some of which may be costly.
- c. Roof Decks (Anya). Only one house has submitted a roof deck permit application, although several chapters are working with architects recommended by the AILG.

IV. FSILG Strategic Plan Update (Bob and Steve). There is going to be a plan on transitioning to maintenance mode for the Strategic Plan by April 26th. The draft of the final report of the SPC has been posted to the AILG website:
(<http://ailg.mit.edu/strategicplan/>).

V. Agenda Planning for the 4/9 Plenary

- 7:30 Welcome and Introductions – Steve Baker
7:35 Treasurer’s Report – Anya Kattf

7:40 FSILG Office Update – Adam McCready
7:50 Strategic Plan Update
7:55 Boston ISD Update – Tom Stohlman
8:15 IRDF 50th Gala Celebration
8:20 AILG Committees (Accreditation, Facilities, Insurance, IT/Telecom, Finance),
FCI, IRDF
8:50 Announcements (Elections, Annual Meeting, Licensing)
Adjourn at 9:00 am.

VI. IRDF 50th Anniversary (Bob). The IRDF 50th anniversary gala will be celebrated on Saturday April 26th in Walker. Please sign up! Former Chancellor Grimson will be the emcee. There was a discussion about how to increase attendance, including encouraging alumni corporations to subsidize attendance by their members. Bob will be making a Facebook group!

VII. AILG Annual Meeting. There was a discussion about who to invite for the keynote speaker.

VIII. FSILG Office Assistant Dean search process. Don Camelio will be chairing the committee to search for a replacement for Marlana's former position. Rich, Sam, Yasmin, and Bob will likely be on the search committee. The goal for a start date for the new assistant dean is July 1st. Adam McCready will be departing his role in the FSILG office for a position in a PhD program at BC, although he may stay on in a more limited role as a graduate assistant. Graduate assistant Michael Prinkey will be moving on to a full time position in Champlain college.

IX. Issues to review with student leaders (Steve, Hal, Yasmin, Sam). Sam and Yasmin are on top of communicating ISD issues. IFC is implementing a new sexual assault training for all fraternity men as part of the Party Safe training. The Greek Olympics will be launching the weekend of the marathon (April 22nd). Rafael Reif will be speaking, and alumni corporations are invited and encouraged to attend. A more specific announcement/invitation is forthcoming.

X. Committee Reports

Accreditation – Herman. The slides from Herman's presentation at the last plenary are on the web. Review teams will now decide on whether to recommend no accreditation for a group who receives three reservations in a row. The committee will be launching a reservations tracker to help groups follow progress on addressing reservations. The committee will also be more proactive to ensure that there are sufficient volunteers from all groups.

Facilities – Peter. The committee is working on getting the capital conditions assessment pilots moving along for two chapters. The issue of renewing leases on MIT owned properties is now moving very slowly. There was a discussion of how to help move the process along. The committee has been working on generating updated floor plans for houses.

Insurance – Scott Klemm. Everyone under the AILG policy has bound coverage and has paid on time. Liability rates increased 10%. Next year the property rates will go up for houses which have had issues.

Finance – Rich Possemato. A preliminary report for the housebill survey will be available at the Plenary. A few chapters who have not submitted surveys will be contacted again soon.

XI. IRDF Report – Bob and Tom. The committee is no longer considering putting a per-head cap on the Operating Grant, but they are reducing the educational use percentage of the operating part of the Operating Grant, and this eventually may be phased out over a number of years.

XII. New Business.

Bob read the names of the alumni who are being given alumni volunteer awards at the FSILG awards dinner this year (April 24th).

XIII. Announcements

Boston police will have a zero tolerance policy for drunkenness and other problems during the Boston Marathon.

Adam McCready is running the Marathon in support of the Sean Collier Fund (mitstrong.mit.edu)

The times/dates for the annual Fire Drill will be going out shortly.

Next Plenary meeting – Wednesday April 9th, 3rd floor of the MIT student center (20 Chimneys).

Next Board meeting – June 5th at 6:30 pm in W59.

Greek Olympics – April 22nd

FSILG Awards Dinner – April 24th

IRDF 50th Celebration, Saturday April 26th.

AILG Annual Meeting: Wednesday June 11th.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14 pm.