

MINUTES

AILG Board Meeting Minutes

*Thursday, September 3, 2015 | Beta Theta Pi (119 Bay State Road) |
Informal meeting called to order at 6:03PM and formal meeting called to order at 6:20PM by Steve Baker*

In Attendance

Board: Steve Baker (TX), Alice Leung (ET) Anya Kattf (AP), Eric Cigan (LCA), Akil Middleton (ZP)

Staff and alumni: Bob Ferrara, Jacob Oppenheimer, Scott Klemm, Stan Wulf (PDT), Tom Stohlman (KS), Herman Marshall (BTP), Tom Holtey (CP), Jim Lattimer (SAE), Steve Carhart (PBE), Pam Gannon (AP), Pat McCabe (DU)

Students: Taylor Rose (Panhel)

Approval of Minutes (Eric Cigan)

Minutes for the June 2015 meeting were accepted as revised.

Financial Dashboard (Anya Kattf)

Anya presented the final results for FY2015. We came in \$3,600 ahead of budget due to administrative savings and anticipated items that weren't billed. Anya then gave a brief update on finances for FY2016.

FSILG Office update (Bob Ferrara, Jacob Oppenheimer)

Recruitment– One recruitment violation has occurred so far in the new academic year. Nu Delta admitted violations of IFC 2015 recruitment rules as well as IFC's risk management policy. The matter was dealt with swiftly via administrative resolution between officers of IFC and Nu Delta. IFC Judcomm will work with organizations to prevent more violations of this type.

FSILG Director search committee – Committee has met and is moving forward with the goal of having a new director by November 1st. Committee has interviewed four candidates to date, and plans to bring selected candidates to campus in September.

Social Events policy – Senior administration approved version 7.0 policy with minor changes. The policy is going to the student councils, and will be provided to AILG for consideration.

Other – Occupancy verification forms have gone out and require prompt response. Brittany in the FSILG Office needs GRA subsidy invoices.

Student council updates and issues (Taylor Rose)

Taylor noted that Panhel held its first recruitment event, and reported that Panhel expects 300 women to participate in fall recruitment. She also mentioned that LGC is testing out van tours of ILGs.

Old Business

Fraternity Culture Working Group update (Steve) – Steve reported that the committee last met in June, and highlighted its four programs.

1. Pilot mentoring program
1. Develop alumni education program
2. Complete and publicize relationship agreement
3. Complete and publicize member support program.

Mind and Hand Book policies & procedures (Bob, Jacob) – The book has undergone a makeover of all portions excepting the FSILG portion; that portion will be updated pending the completion of the relationship document and other work in progress. The re-recognition section is undergoing changes that will be relevant to currently-closed chapters. Jacob noted that they are benchmarking overall expectations and colonization extension versus other leading schools, and added that specific processes are being removed from the policy to provide more flexibility.

Pat asked about the re-recognition process. Jacob noted that a full framework had not yet been developed, and that they are working with IFC. He also commented that the chancellor will be responsible for more of the decision making.

In response to a question from Stan, Jacob confirmed that under the current draft of the document, returning FSILGs would be given preference over groups that would be new to MIT.

Plenary Agenda (Steve Baker)

The first plenary of the 2015-16 year will be held Wednesday, September 16th at 7:30AM in the Mezzanine Lounge. The planned agenda will be as follows.

- a) Call to Order/Introductions
- b) Minutes
- c) Financial Report
- d) FSILG Office Update
- e) Student Council update
- f) Social Events Policy
- g) Other Business - Goals
- h) Committee Reports
- i) Announcements

New Business

Creation of Parent Outreach committee – following discussion, a motion to create the Parent Outreach committee was moved, seconded and passed unanimously.

Back Bay Neighborhood Welcome BBQ (Bob) – The event was considered a big success, drawing 10 non-MIT people including two BU deans, Jennifer Battagliano (BU official and president of the Bay State Road Neighborhood Association) and Pam Beale (president of the Kenmore Square Business Association).

Progress on FSILG Village (Steve) – The task force led by Steve DeFalco (DTD) met though the summer and produced a proposal that went to Campus Master Planning last week. The next steps are to brief Dean Humphreys and Chancellor Barnhart. After those meeting, the proposal will be shared with the community. Six groups are participating so far.

Discussion of MITIMCO – Various board members and others expressed opinions of the role and activities of MITIMCO.

Committee Reports

Accreditation Committee (Herman) – The committee was largely inactive over summer, but has made progress on its annual report. John Covert is recruiting volunteers for Fall 2015 accreditation reviews, and the committee itself is recruiting for more members.

Community Relations (Bob) – The committee needs a new chair due to David Hutchings moving out of the area. They conducted a clothing drive today as well as today's successful BBQ on Bay State Road.

Education (Bob, with notes prepared by Bryan Bryson) – The committee is hosting an alumni lunch on September 26th during ALC. Student leaders will lead the presentation and the small groups will discuss current issues and opportunities for the FSILG community, and as of today, 30 alumni have registered for the event. Also, committee has a sample framework for what components of an alumni mentorship program would look like, and has submitted a list of desired topics for a DSLx online learning module.

Facilities (Tom Stohlman and Pat) – Fire department inspections are being done this week and should be completed next week. Food handler licenses for Cambridge houses are being done this week. Bob commented that he rode along on some of the fire department inspections, and acknowledged Tom's skill in working with the Boston Fire Department inspectors.

Finance (Scott) – The results of the 2014 house bill survey are out, and are available in chapters' FCI lockers.

Insurance (Stan) – No report.

IT/Telecomm (Bob, Scott) – Installation of new fiber is down to the last couple houses, which should be completed by next week. New switches are being installed throughout the system to improve reliability. Also, they are putting in a new community service hotline intended for use by neighbors of FSILG houses.

Parents Outreach (Pam) – Pam and Bob have been working through the summer, and Pam established a Dropbox account for document sharing and has met with the Parents Association and Stu Schmill (Dean of Admissions).

Local Chapters (Eric) – Alumni have been recruited to get representation from existing locals and fraternities working to recolonize. Committee held its first meeting in August and is working to develop responses to the questions asked in the committee's charge. Tom Holtey expressed concern that the committee's makeup could skew its results, to which Eric responded that the committee will solicit input widely to get a diversity of views.

Results from AILG Retreat (Steve)

Steve noted that at the conclusion of the retreat held last week, the AILG board held an executive session and developed draft goals for 2015-16 (see attachment). We discussed the goals, and several attendees questioned the phrasing of #5, resulting in the word "ideal" being changed to "sustainable."

Taylor Rose expressed concern that the goals were predominantly fraternity related, and pressed for more work to be done to reach out to women alumni of FSILGs.

Adjournment and Next Meeting

Motion to adjourn was made and was passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:23PM

The next AILG board meeting will be held Thursday, November 5th, 2015 in W59-237.

Attachment: Proposed AILG Goals for 2015-16

1. Improve outreach to students, parents, and our neighbors
2. Research recent trends in recruitment / retention to better understand what is going on
3. Foster healthy communities and cultures
 - a. Start by trying to codify the assets of a healthy FSILG community.
4. Implement the 4 recommendations of the Fraternity Culture Committee (SB add)
 - a. Pilot a mentoring program.
 - b. Pilot an alumni education program
 - c. Complete and publicize the FSILG Relationship Agreement
 - d. Complete and publicize the Member Support program
5. Develop a community consensus about the ideal number of fraternities and how to reach that number fairly and transparently.