

MINUTES

AILG Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 3rd, 2015 | Ashdown House, Hulsizer Room | Meeting called to order at 6:08PM by Steve Baker

In Attendance

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

Staff and alumni: Scott Klemm, Oscar Argueta, Tom Holtey, Pat McCabe, Pam Gannon, Tom Stohlman, Herman Marshall, Ernie Sabine, Stan Wulf

Students: Obasi Onuoha, Sam Oppenheim, Sasha Crandall Fleischman, Robert Binkowski

Approval of Minutes (Eric Cigan)

Minutes for the November 2015 board meeting were accepted as amended.

Review of Finances (Anya Kattf)

Anya briefly reviewed AILG year-to-date results in her financial report. All income from FSILGs has been collected through FCI. Expenses are coming in as expected.

Student Council Updates (Sam Oppenheim, Sasha Crandall Fleischman)

IFC (Sam) – The newly-elected IFC officers will effectively start their terms later this evening. The updated social events policy to be voted on tonight at the IFC meeting.

LGC (Sasha) – no report

Committee Reports

Accreditation (Herman Marshall) – had meeting on Monday, was well attended.

Facilities (Pat McCabe) – the committee is currently focus on licensing.

The other committees represented had no reports.

Discussion of AILG Locals Committee Report (Alice Leung, Eric Cigan)

Eric and Alice gave summary of the draft report, and gave an update on and the process for getting feedback. Most of the feedback centered on the sections concerning the value that Nationals provide to their MIT chapters. Steve and Anya expressed that the report's tone left the impression that Nationals were not effective in delivering all their intended services to their MIT chapters. Eric responded that that committee members from different chapters reported that some Nationals provided very few services, while some provide much more, and the report had been drafted in an attempt to express this.

Two recommendations from the board were to consider taking a poll of MIT FSILG chapters to get a broader perspective on their experience with their Nationals and to include the differing opinions of committee members rather than trying to offer a consensus view.

Update on MITIMCo Leases (Anya Kattf, Steve Baker)

Anya started off the discussion by noting the MITIMCo contact that Alpha Phi had started conversations with last year left in June, which led to some delay before the parties could get back together. Five FSILGs have now been at least scheduled to meet. However because a new MITIMCO player is involved, groups are effectively having to restart their conversation.

Akil Middleton commented that Zeta Psi had started conversations with MITIMCo last year and have now restarted their negotiations. Akil noted they did their best to pick up the conversations where they had left off, and were now meeting monthly with MITIMCo.

Tom Stohlman said Kappa Sigma met with MITIMCo last week. Tom felt they had to go back to square one in the conversations, which was of particular concern because Kappa Sigma has only six months remaining on its lease.

One concern was that some FSILGs had been told in their negotiation that they were expected to make certain improvements for the buildings to comply with building codes. Steve expressed that he felt it was unfair to expect FSILGs who are tenants to make building improvements solely for building codes compliance. Steve offered to make some contacts at MIT to see if he could escalate matters in order to accelerate the progress of negotiations.

The board decided to defer the discussion of progress on AILG goals to another meeting to leave time for the executive session.

Announcements / Other Business

The next AILG board meeting will be held January 7th. Brad Badgley, the new FSILG Dean, is invited to attend to meet the board.

The 2016 AILG annual meeting is now scheduled for June 8th in the new Faculty Club event center. The invited speaker will be Bob Millard '73 (AEP), chairman of the MIT Corporation. All present were happy to learn that plans for the annual meeting were set so far in advance.

The AILG plenary meetings for the 2016-17 academic year have been scheduled as follows.

- September 14, 2016 (Mezzanine Lounge)
- November 9, 2016 (Mezzanine Lounge)
- February 8, 2017 (Twenty Chimneys)
- April 12th, 2017 (Mezzanine Lounge)

The board went into exec session at 6:50 PM and following a board vote, adjourned at 7:20 PM.

The next AILG board meeting will be held Thursday, January 7th in W59