AILG Board Meeting

Thursday, October 5, 2016 | MIT W59-237 | Meeting called to order at 6:32pm by Steve Baker

In Attendance

Board: Steve Baker (TX), Akil Middleton (ZP), Eric Cigan (LCA), Pam Gannon (AP)
MIT Staff and Associates: Bob Ferrara (DSL/TC), Kayla Lemay (FSILG Office), Scott Klemm (FSILG Cooperative, Inc.), John Covert (Accreditation/PKT)
Alumni: Tom Holtey (CP), Jim Lattimer (SAE), Patrick McCabe (TCAA), Taylor Pearl (PBP), Tom Stohlman (KS), Stan Wulf (PDT)
Students: Courtney Diamond (Panhel)

Approval of Minutes (Pam Gannon)

The Board voted to approve the minutes of the September 1, 2016 Board Meeting, and the minutes of the April 13, 2016 and September 14, 2016 Plenary Meetings.

Financial Dashboard (Eric Cigan)

Eric Cigan distributed Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual report and Balance Sheet. He noted that a new category had been added for Community Relations.

FSILG Office Update (Kayla Lemay)

Personnel – Kayla Lemay noted that the search for a new assistant director for the FSILG Office had been narrowed to two candidates. Brad Badgley will involve the AILG and students in the final interviews. They are hiring two GRAs for DPhiE and Student House.

Kayla reported that the new Good Samaritan policy is going well. She noted that they are looking to dissolve CARMA and align that mission and focus with the Mentoring Committee. Brad is working with VP Suzy Nelson on goals related to the FSILGS, and Brad and Kayla will be visiting all the sororities.

Steve Baker mentioned that the Social Events Committee was looking for alumni sorority representation. Taylor Pearl agreed to serve.

Student Council Updates (Courtney Diamond, Kayla Lemay)

Panhel – Courtney Diamond reported that sorority recruitment went well and 161 bids were given out. The Panhel instituted new member scholarships to help new members with initiation fees and three recipients were selected. The Panhel and IFC are planning a Student-Faculty Reception on November 17 from 7-10pm at the Media Lab.

IFC – Kayla Lemay reported that IFC recruitment went well.

LGC – Kayla reported that they were waiting to hear numbers from the LGC.
Review 2016-2017 AILG Goals (Akil Middleton)

The committee finalized the 2016-2017 Goals, which will be posted on the AILG web site.

Approval of Facilities Committee Recommendation on DKE Deck (Pat McCabe)

Pat McCabe reported that the Facilities Committee had reached a resolution about the DKE deck. A Motion was made by Akil Middleton, seconded by Eric Cigan: That the AILG Board approve the Facilities Committee recommendation on the DKE deck. The motion passed unanimously.

Proposal to Rename the FSILGs (Steve Baker)

Steve Baker noted that FSILG is a difficult acronym. He would like the students to have a conversation within their governing organizations about whether there would be any interest in a renaming the overall organization.

Committee Reports

Accreditation (Bob Ferrara for Herman Marshall) – The committee conducted a review of Theta Tau and others are scheduled. They are planning to develop a statement of purpose for reviewers.

Community Relations (Bob Ferrara for Jim Latimer) – The Neighborhood BBQ at Sigma Chi was very successful. Meetings have been moved to later in the day to accommodate student schedules.

Education (Bob Ferrara for Kim Hunter and Bryan Bryson) – The FSILG alumni lunch at the ALC was attended by about 25 people. The committee is planning to revive the Volunteer Presentation. The Board suggested outreaching to grad students and graduating students.

Facilities (Pat McCabe) – The committee is focusing on the safety of houses. They have talked to Brad about notifying alumni when issues arise.

Finance (Eric Cigan & Bob Ferrara) – Bob Ferrara will ask for the house bill report.

IRDF (Tom Holtey & Bob Ferrara) – The committee will be meeting on November 1. They are accepting submission for small project grants. The list of supporters of the IRDF and FSILG direct donors has been posted on the web site. For FY2016, more than 600 alums donated to the IRDF in excess of $650,000; more than 1100 donors from 28 organizations donate directly to their chapter.

IT (David Lawrence) – David reported that the switch project will start when the switches arrive; they are working on the VOIP phones. He noted that they are looking into re-hosting the AILG web site on Drupal.

Insurance (Stan Wulf) – Stan reported that they will be meeting with the insurance broker Holmes Murphy at the end of the month.

Parent Outreach (Pam Gannon) – Family Weekend is October 28-30. Typically more than 2000 parents attend. Pam recommended that every organization hold some type of event (brunch or dinner) and invite their parents.

Recruitment Committee (Akil Middleton) – Akil and Jack Gordon are working to condense the data from surveys and focus groups.

West Village Steering Committee (Bob Ferrara, Steve Baker, Pam Gannon) – Bob Ferrara reported on the work of the Benchmarking Working Group. They have compiled a list of peer schools and questions. Walt Colby SAE ’62 has offered to do the interviews. Several members of the Steering Committee/Design Working Group met with Hashim Sarkis, Dean of the MIT School of Architecture, who is very involved in West Campus planning. Part of the plan is to increase the density at the west end of the MIT campus. Building W97 is currently under construction and will house the Theater Arts.
Mentoring (Akil Middleton for Mike Feinstein) – Akil reported that the committee was meeting and developing materials.

Locals (Eric Cigan) – Eric and Alice Leung are assessing in what manner to continue work on this topic.

AILG Committees (Pam Gannon)

AILG Committees – Pam presented a handout with a list of the 2016-17 Committee Chairs. A Motion was made by Eric Cigan, seconded by Akil Middleton: That the AILG Board approve the Committee Chairs as printed on the handout. The motion passed unanimously.

Pam will direct the Committee Chairs to submit their 2016-17 annual goals to the Board.

Other Business

Zeta Psi/MITIMCo – Akil noted that Zeta Psi had a meeting with MITIMCo and Suzy Nelson regarding their lease.

DSL Organization – Bob Ferrara noted that the DSL had a department organizational meeting.

Upcoming Meetings:

- FCI Meeting 10/26/16 7:00pm at the Alumni Association
- AILG Board Meeting 11/3/16 6:30pm (6:00pm dinner) at W59
- ILG Plenary Meeting 11/9/16 7:30am at the Student Center

Adjournment

A Motion was made by Pam Gannon, seconded by Eric Cigan: That the AILG Board adjourn to Executive Session not to return to open session. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:40pm.