



AILG Plenary Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 14, 2016 | Mezzanine Lounge W20-307 | Meeting called to order at 7:30am by Steve Baker

In Attendance

FSILGs attending: Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Delta Phi, Alpha Phi, Beta Theta Pi, Chi Phi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Tau Delta, Epsilon Theta, Fenway House, Kappa Sigma, Lambda Chi Alpha, Nu Delta, Phi Beta Epsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Kappa Sigma, Phi Kappa Theta, Pi Lambda Phi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Kappa, Sigma Nu, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Student House, Tau Epsilon Phi, Theta Chi, Theta Tau (formerly Delta Upsilon), Theta Xi, WILG, Zeta Psi

FSILGs not attending: Alpha Epsilon Phi, Alpha Epsilon Pi, Alpha Tau Omega, Delta Phi Epsilon, Kappa Alpha Theta, Number Six Club, Phi Sigma Kappa, Pi Beta Phi, pika, Sigma Chi, Theta Delta Chi, Zeta Beta Tau

AILG Board: Steve Baker, Akil Middleton, Eric Cigan, Pam Gannon, Richard Larson

MIT Administration and Guests: Suzy Nelson, Judy Robinson, Bob Ferrara (DSL); Brad Badgley, Kayla Lemay (FSILG Office); Scott Klemm, Oscar Argueta (FCI); Kim Hunter, Austin Ashe (MIT Alumni Association)

Undergraduates: Caitlyn Mason (Panhellenic Council), David Dellal (Interfraternity Conference), Libby Koolik (AXO), Kyle Archer (TT), Kelly McGee (TT)

Suzy Nelson, Vice President and Dean for Student Life and Judy Robinson, Sr. Assoc. Dean for Student Life

New MIT VP Suzy Nelson summarized her background, in particular her experience with fraternities and sororities. She described the Division for Student Life goals that include: ensuring that students thrive in the physical environment, responding to students in distress and creating a welcoming campus and sense of belonging for all students. Priority areas for FSILGs are: to champion the FSILG experience, to embrace shared governance, to promote safety, health and wellbeing, and to manage finances and facilities effectively. Judy Robinson introduced herself and said that she was looking forward to working with the FSILG community.

FSILG Office Update

Brad Badgley introduced Kaya Lemay, program director for the FSILG Office, who is working with the Panhellenic Association. He noted that the search for a new assistant director for the FSILG Office is narrowing down. The FSILG Recognition Policy has been reviewed and should be approved in a couple of weeks.

Student Council Reports

Panhellenic Council – Caitlyn Mason updated on recruitment: more than 160 bids were given out. Panel is planning for Greek Week.

Interfraternity Council – David Dellal updated on recruitment: approximately 60% of men received bids. Meet the Greeks, a new event to acclimate freshmen seemed to be successful. The IFC sponsored a clothing drive that filled a box truck and the Neighborhood BBQ at Sigma Chi was well attended. New items: there will be a new member symposium and the IFC is working with DSLx to develop short videos on house management.

Living Group Council – Brad Badgley updated on recruitment: ILG recruitment varies for each group and some groups are recruiting currently.

Treasurer's Report

Eric Cigan circulated a finance report for July 1-August 31. He plans to post reports on the AILG web site.

AILG Goals for 2016-17

Akil Middleton summarized the AILG Goals for 2016-2017. The six goals were developed by the AILG Board and other interested volunteers and were provided as a handout.

Information Technology Committee Motion on Network Switch Upgrades

David Lawrence presented the work of the IT Committee regarding the replacement of wired network switches. The committee has collaborated for several years with MIT's IS&T Department to make the FSILGs 100% on par with campus networks. For MIT IS&T to support the project, all FSILGs must participate in the upgrade and partial financial support is being provided by the IRDF and free technical support by IS&T. Details were elaborated on an information sheet.

A **Motion** was made by David Lawrence seconded by Tom Holtey: To proceed with the switch upgrade as explained on the handout provided by the AILG IT Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

Primer on the AILG Accreditation Program

Herman Marshall provided an overview of the nationally recognized accreditation program. The program uses alumni review teams to assess the health and stability of organizations. This serves to improve the system as a whole by collecting best practices, lessons learned, and sharing information peer-to-peer. Accreditations are run on a two-year or shorter cycle and the accreditation teams report results to the FSILG Office. A handout provided further details.

AILG Board Motion on Access to Basic Data Form (BDF) Data

Akil Middleton provided information on a motion to provide access to selective data from the accreditation program's basic data form (BDF) on behalf of the Board. Details were provided on a handout. The proposal will create a procedure by which specific data can be extracted from BDFs for use by AILG Committees towards studies that will benefit the community. He stressed the idea of informed consent and emphasized that approval of the motion approves the procedure, not the release of specific data. Ernie Sabine noted that the Accreditation Committee had voted unanimously to endorse the motion.

A **Motion** was made by Akil Middleton seconded by Ernie Sabine: To approve the procedure to access to BDF data as presented on the handout.

After some discussion, a **Motion** was made by Tom Yu seconded by Stan Wulf: To table consideration of the motion to access to BDF data as presented on the handout. The motion failed.

A **Vote** was taken on the original motion. The motion passed.

Update on the West Campus Village

Stephen DeFalco updated the community on the progress of the West Campus Village (formerly FSILG Village, formerly Greek Village) efforts. He reiterated that this is a unique window of opportunity and the vision is to have a broad and inclusive approach. The Benchmarking and Sustainability Working Groups are gathering information that will inform the Design program. An overview and description of work to date was provided on a handout.

Primer on MIT Alumni Association Programs

Austin Ashe provided an overview of the student/alumni relations staff and support services. He announced the creation of a new award program: the D. Reed Weedon, Jr. '41 FSILG Alumni/ae Relations Award. These are grants that will be available for fall and spring semester programming.

Reintroduction of AILG Committees

Accreditation Committee – Herman Marshall, Chair

Community Relations – Jim Lattimer, Chair

Education Committee – Bryan Bryson and Kim Hunter, Co-Chairs

Facilities Committee – Pat McCabe, Chair

Finance Committee – Ernie Sabine, Chair

Insurance Committee – Stan Wulf, Chair

IT/Telecom Committee - David Lawrence, Chair

Locals Committee (ad-hoc) – Eric Cigan and Alice Leung, Co-Chairs

Mentoring Committee – Mike Feinstein, Chair

Parent Outreach Committee – Pam Gannon, Chair

Recruitment Study Committee (ad-hoc) – Akil Middleton and Jack Gordon, Co-Chairs

Strategic Planning – Steve Baker, Chair

West Village Steering Committee – Stephen DeFalco, Chair

A handout provided AILG committee contact information.

Announcements and Adjournment

FCI Annual Meeting is 10/26/16 at 7:00pm at the MIT Alumni Association, W98.

IRDF Project Grant deadline is 11/1/16.

Next AILG Plenary Meeting is 11/9/16 at 7:30am in W20.

The plenary meeting adjourned at 9:00am.