



AILG Plenary Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 9, 2016 | Mezzanine Lounge W20-307 | Meeting called to order at 7:32am by Steve Baker

In Attendance

FSILGs attending: 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 Chi, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Student House, Tau Epsilon Phi, Theta Chi, Theta Tau, Theta Xi, Zeta Psi

FSILGs not attending: Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Delta Phi, 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 Kappa, Sigma Nu, Theta Delta Chi, WILG, Zeta Beta Tau

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

MIT Administration and Guests: Judy Robinson, Bob Ferrara (DSL); Brad Badgley, Kayla Lemay (FSILG Office); Dennis Collins (MIT Housing); Scott Klemm, Oscar Argueta (FCI); Karie Allison, Jeff Wilkinson (Elevate IMS); Charlie Frick (Greek Giving, Heritage Management Group)

Undergraduates: David Dellal (Interfraternity Conference), Andres Simauchi (Theta Tau), Kelly McGee (Theta Tau)

Welcome and Introductions

Welcome and introductions around the table.

FSILG Office Update (Brad Badgley)

Brad Badgley announced that Liz Jason will be the new Assistant Director of the FSILG Office. She was previously at Tufts for eight years. He is working with the IFC, Panhel and LGC to plan a leadership retreat over the first weekend in February. All organizations need to fill out a hazing acknowledgement sheet, which is required by Massachusetts law on an annual basis.

Treasurer's Report (Eric Cigan)

Eric Cigan (LCA) reported that all income was received. The P&L statement and balance sheet were included in the handouts. They are transitioning management of the AILG account to Eric from Scott Klemm and the FCI.

Student Council Reports

Interfraternity Council – David Dellal (IFC, PSK) reported that IFC held a New Member Symposium that included speakers from MIT DSL and the MIT Police. The IFC passed a new constitution. David reported that the Theta Tau petition for membership to the IFC was rejected; the organization may reapply in February 2018. The IFC is holding a faculty mixer in coordination with the Panhel. The IFC is also participating in a mental health program that stresses peer-to-peer interactions. The IFC will be having elections.

Panhellenic Council – Kayla Lemay noted the upcoming IFC/Panhel Faculty Mixer. Panhel is working to identify their executive team for next year, and also the junior Panhel exec. The Panhel passed updated bylaws and are reviewing their risk management program.

FSILG Cooperative, Inc. Report (Scott Klemm)

Scott Klemm distributed a report on the 13th annual meeting of the FCI. They welcomed DPhiE to the FCI. Scott thanked Mark Porter (DTD) for his service of 7 years on the FCI board and welcomed David Hutchins (ZBT) to the board. There are two new initiatives: (1) Re-imagining the FCI: the FCI will be re-evaluating services and vendors, and using focus groups and other means for stakeholder input, and (2) Inspection Coordination Program: will provide scheduling and provide access to facilities for inspections.

Building Safety Facilitator's Report on Building Safety and Upkeep (Tom Stohlman)

Tom Stohlman (KS) presented a snapshot report card on building safety and upkeep. The categories were: Great, Good, Chronic Minor, Serious, Dangerous, and were broken out by groups. He noted that his job is to help houses create a safe living environment. Recommendations: (1) Spend money in the annual budget on facilities and (2) Have a good mentoring program to transfer knowledge from house manager to house manager. He noted that it is important for alumni to be involved in house budgets to make sure there is money allocated, especially for large expenses. Tom can meet with individual organizations that want review their evaluations. Tom Holtey (CP) noted that the IRDF can provide 75% reimbursement for safety items. David Dellal suggested that Tom Stohlman come to an IFC presidents meeting.

Recruitment Study Committee's Petition for Basic Data Form (BDF) Data (Akil Middleton)

Akil Middleton (ZP) presented a proposal to approve the release of BDF data to the Ad-hoc Recruitment Research Committee, co-chaired by Akil and Jack Gordon (IFC, ZP). A handout detailed: the specific BDF items that contain the required data, the reason why the data cannot be obtained through other means, how the data will be used to benefit the community as a whole, the number of organizations required to participate to make data analysis meaningful. He noted that the plenary could expect to see a first draft of the analysis at the first meeting in 2017. Akil explained that the procedure would be to initially to approve the proposal, and then each chapter will approve the release of their data individually.

A **Motion (1)** was made by Akil Middleton seconded by Ernie Sabine (SH): To approve the proposal by the Recruitment Study Committee to access to BDF data as presented on the handout.

A **Motion (2)** was made by Tom Yu (FH) seconded by Jay Goldman (PKS): To table consideration of the proposal by the Recruitment Study Committee to access to BDF data as presented on the handout.

After some discussion, a **Motion (3)** to call the question was made by John Covert (PKT) seconded by Tom Holtey. The **Motion (3)** to call the question passed.

A **Vote** was taken on the **Motion (2)** to table consideration of the proposal by the Recruitment Study Committee. The **Motion (2)** failed.

A **Motion (4)** was made by Herman Marshall (BTP) seconded by Ernie Sabine to amend the original **Motion (1)** to make explicit in the proposal that the release of data by individual chapters would be an opt-in process. The **Motion (4)** on the amendment to **Motion (1)** passed.

A **Vote** was taken on the **Motion (1)** to approve the proposal by the Recruitment Study Committee to access to BDF data as presented on the handout, and as amended by **Motion (4)**. The **Motion** passed.

Akil circulated an opt-in list and noted that he would contact organizations not present via email. Chapters could also respond to him via email if they wished to discuss it with their members first.

Commemorating Reid Weedon '41 (Steve Carhart)

Steve Carhart (PBE) noted the passing of Reid Weedon '41 and summarized his extensive service to both MIT and to the FSILG community. Reid was a founder of MIT as a residential institution in post-WWII, served as head of the MIT Alumni Association and on the MIT Corporation, served on the DSL Visiting Committee, was a prodigious fundraiser for MIT, and founder of the IRDF. Steve noted that there would be a memorial service at MIT on December 2 at the MIT Chapel, followed by a reception at PBE.

Bob Ferrara (TC) created a poster for everyone to sign to be presented to the Weedon family.

AILG Committee Reports

Accreditation Committee – Herman Marshall, Chair

The committee is in the process of conducting accreditations and a status report is included in the handout. He noted that they are trying to improve the process by emphasizing communication and discussion. They would like to increase diversity on the committee with younger alums, ILGs and sororities. The committee meets on the first Monday of the month.

IRDF – Bob Ferrara, Grant Advisory Board

The IRDF Annual Report is included in the handout. Bob Ferrara noted that the major IT infrastructure upgrade is complete and capability in the FSILGs typically exceeds the dormitories. The switch replacement is in progress. November 1 was the due date for small grants and there were 9 applicants. He noted there is an IRDF brochure available in hard copy or to download from the AILG web site.

Parent Outreach Committee – Pam Gannon (AP), Chair

Pam Gannon (AP) said that for MIT Family Weekend, more than 2200 parents and family members visited the campus. She thanked organizations that held events, dinners and brunches. She made a recommendation that chapters add current parents to their alumni newsletter distribution lists.

West Village Steering Committee – Steve Baker (TX)

Steve Baker stated that the West Campus Village project was moving forward and Suzy Nelson was pushing for a campus master plan. The Benchmarking Groups is looking at peer schools and will be hosting a gathering at the AFA Meeting. The first Student Design Workshop was held on Sunday, November 6.

Finance Committee – Ernie Sabine, Chair

Ernie Sabine noted that the House Bill Survey will be coming out.

Announcements, Other Business and Adjournment

Tom Yu recommended the formation of a privacy committee. Steve Baker suggested that Tom reach out to the AILG Board with a proposal.

The plenary meeting adjourned at 9:05am.