



MINUTES

AILG Board Meeting

Thursday, November 3, 2016 | MIT W59-237 | Meeting called to order at 6:53pm by Steve Baker

In Attendance

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

Staff: Bob Ferrara (DSL/TC), Brad Badgley (FSILG Office), Scott Klemm (FSILG Cooperative, Inc.), John Covert (Accreditation/PKT)

Alumni: Tom Holtey (CP), Patrick McCabe (TCAA), Tom Stohlman (KS)

Students: David Dellal (IFC)

Approval of Minutes (Pam Gannon)

The Board voted to approve the minutes of the October 5, 2016 Board Meeting.

FSILG Office Update (Brad Badgley)

Brad Badgley announced that Liz Jason will start as the new Assistant Director of the FSILG Office on November 14. She was previously at Tufts for eight years. Pam thanked Brad for involving alumni in the interview process.

Brad has been checking in and meeting with every house and will continue until he connects with all of them.

The 2016 AFA Meeting is in Boston from Nov 30-Dec 3. The FSILG Office and Judy Robinson will be attending. They may host a session to get input for the West Village.

Halloween – was quieter than usual; three parties shut down.

Hazing Acknowledgement forms went out to chapters. All student organizations have to sign them annually.

There will be an MIT DSL Wellness Fair as part of the Mind Hand Heart Initiative.

Brad is working with the IFC, Panhel and LGC to plan a leadership retreat over the first weekend in February for newly elected officers.

Brad updated the board about the suspension of the CARMA program, which will be folded into the Mentoring Committee.

Weedon Grant Committee (Bob Ferrara)

Bob Ferrara reported that he met with Austin Ashe from the MITAA. The new grant program had 11 applicants for \$6000 total funds. Next year, they will look at the timing of the program.

Bob noted Reid Weedon's passing and his role as a supporter of FSILGs and founder of the IRDF.

Student Council Updates

IFC (David Dellal)

- IFC held a New Member Symposium that included speakers from MIT DSL and the MIT Police.
- The IFC passed a new constitution.
- The Theta Tau petition for membership to the IFC was rejected; the organization may reapply in spring of 2018.
- The IFC is holding a faculty mixer in coordination with the Panhel.
- The IFC will be having elections.
- The IFC is participating in a mental health program called Behind Happy Faces that stresses peer-to-peer interactions.
- IFC Sexual Misconduct Committee is a new standing committee and will be focusing on consent training.
- TEP, now the XI Fellowship is integrating well into the IFC
- IFC is encouraging participation in the MIT Giving Tree

Panhel (Brad Badgley)

- A Panhel Study Break had 80 attendees
- Panhel is holding Exec Board recruitment/ elections
- MIT VP Suzy Nelson attended the delegates meeting
- Upcoming IFC/Panhel Faculty Mixer

LGC (Alice Leung)

- The LGC held a coordinated tour of the living groups during Recruitment, which was a new initiative.

Preparation of November 9 Plenary Agenda (Steve Baker)

Steve Baker reviewed the draft agenda.

Recruitment Study Update (Akil Middleton)

Akil Middleton and Jack Gordon have been collecting and analyzing information about recruitment, rush budgets, rush satisfaction and perceptions. Jack met with the Recruitment Chairs in focus groups. Akil and Jack are collaborating with MIT Institute Research and the FSILG Office on a survey about recruitment to be sent to every student. They plan to submit a request for BDF data to the plenary to generate a historical perspective.

Commemorating Reid Weedon '41 (Bob Ferrara)

Bob Ferrara plans to create a poster for everyone to sign at the plenary.

Committee Reports

Parent Outreach (Pam Gannon) – Pam Gannon said that more than 2200 parents and family members visited for MIT Family Weekend. Many chapters held events, typically brunches and dinners, for parents. She also ran an MIT Crew Parent reception and attended a Parent Fund reception.

Accreditation (John Covert) – The committee has conducted five visits, with all five organizations recommended for approval, two with reservations. Six more visits are scheduled.

IT (Bob Ferrara and Pam Gannon) – The IT Committee is recommending that the AILG switch the web site hosting from Word Press to Drupal, which would be supported by MIT IS&T. Bob noted that the MITAA will be changing their web site, so the AILG will have to move information from that site to the AILG site. The AILG annual budget covers the cost of annual web maintenance, but there was some discussion about whether there was funding for the project in the current budget or reserves.

Other Business

The group decided on a date for the Holiday Party: Tuesday, December 6 at New Ashdown, with a Board meeting immediately before the event.

The first West Village Student Design Workshop will be held on Sunday from 1-3pm. Only students and Steering Committee members will be present.

Elevate is looking to include some stock articles that can be used for all chapter newsletters. Bob will write about the IRDF and Pam will write about parent outreach.

Eric Cigan thanked Brad and Judy Robinson for organizing the memorial service that was held for Drew Esquivel '17, the LCA undergraduate who was killed by an alleged drunk driver in Brooklyn, New York on July 16, 2016.

Scott Klemm reported that the FCI held their annual meeting. DPhiE joined the organization as a full member. Dave Hutchins (ZBT) joined the FCI Board. Scott requested that the FCI Update be added to regular agendas.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:22pm.