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## Outcome Letter

*March 12th, 2024*

From: James Shaw, IFC Judicial Committee Chair

To: Cameron Young, Sigma Nu President  
CC: Anthony Dominguez, Assistant Dean, FSILGs  
James Reed, Assistant Dean, Student Conduct & Community Standards  
Liz Jason, Associate Dean, FSILGs  
Tessa McLain, Associate Dean, Student Conduct & Community Standards

Dear Cameron,

I received a report from MIT Police regarding an incident that occurred on March 3rd, 2024. The report stated that an officer responded to a report of an intoxicated person at Sigma Nu. Additionally, the report stated that the student required a medical transport. The FSILG Office confirmed with me that the person was under the age of 21. Based on this information, Sigma Nu may have violated the following policies:

### *MIT Mind and Hand Book*

#### **II (2) (A). Alcohol Policy**

MIT prohibits any persons under the age of 21 from possessing or consuming alcohol. Additionally, MIT prohibits persons from providing, serving, or selling alcohol to any person, except as expressly allowed in Institute policy 9.11.2. Small social gatherings (usually considered to be 25 guests or fewer) at which alcohol is served to individuals over the age of 21 are not considered a violation of this policy.

### *FSILG Social Events Policy*

#### **Guest Management**

Open parties, meaning those with significantly unrestricted access by nonmembers of a fraternity without specific invitation where alcoholic beverages are present, are prohibited. (1) Events with alcohol must have guest lists. (2) All guests must provide photo identification with proof of age and sign the guest list prior to entering the event (see Proof of Age below). (3) No lines or crowds of individuals are permitted outside of the door.

#### **Proof of Age**

Proof of age must be checked at all entrances to an event at all times. Only government-issued ID's may be used to verify proof of age. Those attendees that are 21 years of age or older must wear a wristband at all times.

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## *IFC Risk Management Policy*

### **Procedures for Events with Alcohol- (II) Admittance**

- A. Each entrance and exit to an event must be monitored by at least one non-consuming individual.
- B. Efforts shall be made to determine the level of intoxication of every entrant and no visibly intoxicated individual may be admitted to an event.
- C. Fraternities are responsible for keeping an accurate list of the name and over/under 21 status of all attendees to a party.
- D. Guests lists must be compiled ahead of time, subject to the FSILG Social Event Policy
- E. Those guests who are of legal age and who wish to drink must show proof of age, and then be fitted with a wristband.
- F. Those that do not show proof of age to drink must have a non-washable mark placed on the same hand that would otherwise have a wristband applied.
- G. All events must be limited to the safe capacity of the event location as described in the FSILG Social Event Policy. An accurate account must be kept as to the number of guests currently in an event; the IFC Risk Manager will provide capacity “clickers” upon request. An accurate count of the number of individuals inside the chapter's house must be presented to IFC Risk Management Consultants his/her inspection
- H. Guests are prohibited from entering a party with personal alcohol and/or illicit substances; all guests must checked for these substances prior to entry. An exception to this rule is to be made only if a chapter is conducting a BYOB event as described in Section VI

### **Procedures for Events with Alcohol- (III) Control of Alcohol**

- A. The event monitors must be non-consuming and present until their duty for the event has ended.
- B. All servers and carriers of alcohol must be Social Host trained, be 21 years old or older, and remain non-consuming until their duty for the event has ended.
- C. Alcohol must be attended at all times.
- D. Alcohol should not be served to any individual who does not have a proper wristband, whose hand has been marked as an underage guest, or who is not of the age of 21. In addition, no alcohol should be served to an individual who is visibly intoxicated. Party monitors shall monitor the event for guests distributing alcohol or for underage guests possessing alcohol, and will deal with such guests accordingly.
- E. No more than one drink can be served to a guest at one time.
- F. Event monitors must dispose of all unattended alcohol containers.
- G. No hard alcohol can be present at any event.



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After reviewing the police report and your response, I have decided to resolve this case administratively. Based on the information provided, I find Sigma Nu not responsible for any policy violations.

Based off of your response, the FSILG Office and I have confirmed that the medical transport in this report was covered under the Good Samaritan Amnesty Policy, as it was called by a member of your chapter, so all potential policy violations previously listed are not applicable. While Sigma Nu was found not responsible for any policy violations, I strongly encourage your chapter to make sure you are being responsible with alcohol in the future, and cognizant that the threshold in determining the applicability of social event policies extends to periods during which official events may not be planned, however sufficient activity/invites are extended such to facilitate an event-like environment. Furthermore, it is typical for JudComm to require a 1-on-1 meeting with Anthony Dominguez, the Assistant Dean of FSILGs; as you have already done this no further actions are required.

Sincerely,

**James Shaw**

Judicial Committee Chair, MIT Interfraternity Council