

WiGS brown bag lunch organizational meeting
1 June 2007 from 12:00-1:00 in Foege S-230
Recorded by Gennifer Merrihew

Members in attendance: Rori Rohlf, Gennifer Merrihew, Diane Dickel,
Mandy Schivell, and Anita Beck

- I. New Grad Student Orientation
 - a. During faculty meeting at retreat
 - b. Keeping WiGS name unattached to event so all feel invited to event
 - c. To discuss lab rotation choices, mentorship and other related issues with incoming grad students
 - d. Continue meetings throughout the year so students, etc. can discuss any issues they come across in grad school
- II. Dahlia Nielsen's COMBI talk
 - a. Sponsored by WiGS
 - b. Rori working on setting date
 - c. WiGS lunch will be included
- III. Fall Interview Workshop
 - a. Diane speaking with workshop candidates such as Debbie Nickerson (admissions committee), a grad student and post-doc
- IV. Hosting GS seminar next year
 - a. Need to select speaker
 - b. Suggested that WiGS members bring ideas to next meeting so we can select a speaker as a group
- V. Policy/science culture talk next year
 - a. Need to get budget for speaker
 - b. Mandy suggested a transgender neurobiologist from Stanford
- VI. WiGS website maintenance
 - a. Joanna (per Rori) will keep website maintained
- VII. Budget for next year
 - a. Rori discussing details with Margo Miller
 - b. Including 5 lunches, possible family-friendly BBQ, airfare and hotel, etc. for policy speaker
- VIII. Other ideas that were discussed
 - a. Collect list of related groups/organizations and contact heads of such groups
 - a. Genn will bring list to next meeting
 - b. Groups mentioned include: WiSE (Women in Science and Engineering), AAUW (American Association of University Women), Advance, AWIS (American Women in Science) - South Lake Union group, Post-doc office
 - b. Discussed the difficult transition from post-doc to assistant professor
 - a. European academic child care policies
 - b. Find out what the statistics and trends are
 - i. Mandy suggested looking at the Chronicle of Higher Education