WiGS organizational meeting 8 September 2010 from 2:30-3:30 PM in Foege S-230 Recorded by Gennifer Merrihew

Members in attendance: Leslie Emery (emeryleuw.edu), Gennifer Merrihew (genn@uw.edu), Rori Rohlfs (rrholfs@uw.edu) and Melody Rynerson (mryner@uw.edu)

- I. Pacific Science Center Life Sciences Research Weekend
 - a. Genn is organizing on behalf of WiGS
 - b. November 5th-7th
 - c. Will be similar to last year's event
 - i. Will get several volunteers to work 2-3 hour slots
 - ii. Will have DNA extraction, genetic trait sticker badges, model organisms, etc.
- II. BMR Community College Information Session
 - a. Genn on behalf of WiGS has organized two labs to give 45 minute lab demonstrations on Wednesday, October $20^{\rm th}$
 - i. MacCoss lab Genn Merrihew and Jarrett Egertson
 - ii. Queitsch lab Jenn Lachowiec and Sanna Oddone
- III. Seattle Central Community College Transfer Undergrad Event
 - a. Rori organizing for November 19th
 - b. A vanpool will be provided to and from UW
 - c. Brian Giebel will talk to undergrads about transfer issues and other admission topics
 - d. Lab tours
 - i. Will be worked out later
 - e. A tour of south campus will be provided
 - f. Undergrads will come to social hour and meet grad students, etc.
 - i. We will provide extra snacks
 - g. Mentoring
 - i. If undergrads are interested, we will set them up with an undergrad mentor to ease their transition at $\ensuremath{\mathsf{UW}}$
- IV. Incoming class WiGS welcome event
 - a. Leslie to organize bowling event at the Garage in Capitol Hill
 - b. Wednesday, October 6^{th} after seminar
 - c. Discussion about WiGS before we leave and then bus over to event
- V. GS/Policy/Alum seminars
 - a. Rori hosting Sarah Tishkoff for GS seminar on November 17^{th}
 - b. Genn invited alumni Whitney Neufeld-Kaiser and she accepted
 - i. Will be in winter quarter
 - ii. Still organizing date/time with classroom services
 - c. Leslie hosting GS seminar with Nancy Cox from Chicago
 - i. Wednesday, January 19th
 - d. Melody will organize the policy seminar for spring
 - i. Still working on date/time with Jenny Reardon
 - e. Still need an alternative career speaker
 - i. Possibly an event to be planned by new WiGS recruit
 - ii. Mention at the retreat
- VI. Discussion/information sessions for this year
 - a. Grant writing session for the fall
 - i. Still need someone to organize it
 - ii. Mention at the retreat

- b. Melody interested in a session to prepare new students for grad school
 - i. Melody will email second year students to get more ideas
 - ii. Plan is to try and hold this event on Tuesday, September 26th

VII. Retreat

- a. Leslie and Melody volunteered to be speakers
- b. We have a slot on the first day in the afternoon
- c. Will discuss past events an upcoming events