WiGS Organizational Meeting 18 July 2012 from 2:30-3:30 PM in Foege S-448 Recorded by Gennifer Merrihew

Members in attendance: Leslie Emery (<u>emeryl@uw.edu</u>), Elyse Hope (<u>ehope@uw.edu</u>), Jen McCreight (<u>jmccreig@uw.edu</u>) and Gennifer Merrihew (<u>genn@uw.edu</u>)

- I. WiGS annual BBQ
 - a. Genn reserved Ravenna Park for Sunday, August 5th from 3PM-10PM, event will be held from 3PM-6PM
 - b. Nate Peters volunteered as grill master
- II. WiGS GS seminar Anne Stone ASU
 - a. Seminar will be during COMBI seminar on Wednesday, November $14^{\rm th}$ from 1:30-2:30 PM
 - b. Leslie organizing?
- III. Career Seminar Becket Feierbach from Genentech
 - a. Maitreya is hosting for GS seminar and though it would be good to have another seminar about her career progression
 - b. Plan is to have the seminar on Thursday, November $29^{\rm th}$
 - c. Genn will organize with Maitreya
- IV. Alumni and/or policy speaker
 - a. Try to think about invited someone local this year since we do not have the money to fly any one out
 - b. Can email faculty for ideas if we cannot come up with anyone specific by October or November
 - c. Genn to email Brian about potentially incorporating a GS Alumni spot into the GS seminars every year
- V. Retreat
 - a. Retreat organizers (Elhanan and Judit) emailed for a slot for WiGS
- VI. Upcoming social events
 - a. WiGS bowling event to kick off the start of the school year
 i. After first GS seminar on Wednesday, October 3rd
- VII. WiGS officers
 - a. It is time to update our WiGS chair, secretary, and treasurer positions and perhaps create a co-chair
 - b. Leslie emailed WiGS list for nominations to different positions
 - i. We suggested Jen McCreight for chair and Elyse for secretary
- VIII. Incoming grad student brunch
 - a. Elyse to organize a brunch before the retreat to introduce students to WiGS
 - b. Suggested location is Toulouse Petit
 - c. Should be organized just before retreat, maybe Monday September 17th