

WiGS Organizational Meeting  
5 September 2012 from 2:30-3:30 PM in Foege S-448  
Recorded by Elyse Hope

Members in attendance: Leslie Emery (emeryl@uw.edu), Jen McCreight (jmccreig@uw.edu), Gennifer Merrihew (genn@uw.edu), Melody Palmer (mryner@u.washington.edu), Jenny Andrie (jmwagner@uw.edu), Elyse Hope (ehope@uw.edu)

- I. Positions within the organization
  - a. Jennifer McCreight will be the new chair, effective now
  - b. Elyse is secretary, will send meeting announcements
  - c. Melody continuing as treasurer for now
- II. Retreat announcement and flyers
  - a. Leslie and Jen McCreight will introduce the group at retreat
  - b. Still waiting to hear when our timeslot is from Judit Villen and Elhanan Borenstein
  - c. Melody will make flyers for retreat folders; send to Carlene Cross
- III. Treasurer update
  - a. For reimbursements, send receipts to Melody in addition to submission on PurchasePath
    - i. Sometimes PDFs for old receipts available on PurchasePath
  - b. Budget has been submitted to Nancy; waiting for response
    - i. Included Josh Burton's alumni event (see) with a note
- IV. Welcome brunch
  - a. Brunch will be Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 10am at Toulouse Petit
  - b. Elyse will drive carpool from Foege, as will Jenny Andrie
  - c. Elyse sending email invitation to WiGS and first-years with RSVP for those who need transportation
- V. Bowling at the Garage
  - a. Welcome event on Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, after first seminar
  - b. Short meeting will precede event
  - c. Leslie call to reserve two lanes
- VI. Mailing list administration
  - a. Genn is administrator; will add Jen McCreight
- VII. Speakers
  - a. Seminar:
    - i. Anne Stone is in touch with Carlene Cross
    - ii. Probably not time for her to have a grad student lunch
  - b. Alternative career:
    - i. Becket Feierbach is coming from Genentech as a seminar speaker; she has agreed to stay an extra day and give an additional talk for us
    - ii. Genn Merrihew is handling this with Maitreya Dunham, who is hosting speaker
  - c. Policy:
    - i. We can afford to bring a speaker from out of town
  - d. Alumni:
    - i. Josh Burton is organizing a GS alumni mixer; there is potential that we will co-sponsor with department support
    - ii. Event could take the place of our alumni speaker

VIII. Outreach

- a. WiGS is not going to plan/get specifically involved with the Life Science Research weekend
- b. Might get involved with Expanding Your Horizons, outreach with junior high-age girls
  - i. Jen Lachowiec has been involved in the past
  - ii. Leslie to look into it

IX. Future social events

- a. "Wigs" party?