WiGS organizational meeting
4 November 2009 from 2:30-3:30 in Foege S-330
Recorded by Gennifer Merrihew

Members in attendance: Keisha Carlson, Katrina Claw, Sara Cooper, Diane Dickel, Leslie Emery, Beth Hauser, Gennifer Merrihew, Aaron Miller, Sara(h) Nelson, Rori Rohlfs, and Elisabeth Rosenthal

I. Pacific Science Center - Life Sciences Research Weekend
   a. Sponsored by WiGS
   b. Organized by Genn, several volunteers from the department are participating

II. Fall Diversity Panel Survey Results
   a. Elisabeth sent out a survey to several departments (GS, Biostat, Stat Gen, PHG)
   b. Discussed some highlights of results
      i. Many people wanted to know more about the concept of diversity, the value of diversity and the legal aspects of diversity
      ii. Another focus was working on improving the visibility of programs that already exist
      iii. Bias was also discussed, many survey responders felt that they had experienced bias in subtle ways
   c. Elisabeth will write up a summary of survey and send it out to panelists
   d. Panel will happen on Monday, November 30th in the Foege Auditorium from 12-2 PM
   e. After panel discussion, WiGS will try and come up with ways in which we can aid with diversity in our community

III. Cynthia Morton
   a. Seminar sponsored by Medical Genetics
   b. Leslie Emery is organizing lunch with Cynthia
   c. Will happen on a Thursday either towards the end of February or March
   d. Still waiting for her to confirm but it seems likely that she will come

IV. Industry Lunch Ideas
   a. For spring quarter
   b. Since we have plenty of time to decide, we are supposed to come up with possible ideas during next couple meetings

V. GS Outreach
   a. Mentioned possibly posting info about events via WiGS website
   b. Genn will talk with them and discuss this