WGSA 9-2-15

Some interest in having delayed fee due date

-Could be beneficial for WGSA to meet with deans to garner support before proposing to GAU

Quant Lab

-Moving from 354 to 368

-Hopefully complete in next couple weeks

Merchandise

-shirts available for $15 each

-a few coffee mugs available at $12 each

-stickers at $.50 or free with shirt or mug order

Events

-Sept 11th going to see Sue Replica at Science Museum

-Meet at 2pm at NZ to bus to museum together

-Bus back to NZ after for Zocial

Seminar Speakers

-WGSA hosting Monday lunches with WEC Monday afternoon speakers from outside UF

-First on Sept 14th with Theron Terhune from Tall Timbers

-Must RSVP by Friday the 11th to receive food

Eco ThinkTank

-Opportunity for presentation practice and feedback

-If receive travel grant from WGSA required to present

-To sign up contact Rashida

Outreach Events

-Plan to have multiple one-day events throughout semester

-Potential Options

-Partner with NRDI with Reichert House environmental education

-Could look for outreach opportunities with other UF students

-eg, pet amnesty

-Volunteer with middle schools: guest lectures, science fair judging

-Volunteer days with state parks, local natural areas

-Trash pick-up in trails outside of NZ

-Volunteer with Jacksonville Zoo, Endangered Animal Rescue in Citra, Ashton Biological Reserve, Millcreek Farm

-Oak Hammock is assisted living facility owned by UF

-Could do environmental ed class – Josh Epstein will look into this

-WGSA partner with Talk Science with Me or design other ways to communicate WEC research to the public

-Mini videos on research

-Participate in WEC blog

-Research night at local brewery

-Lead workshops for undergraduates

Undergraduate Mentoring

-Can add profile to WGSA website

-volunteer needs (field work or data needs)

-mentoring availability (e.g., help reviewing applications)

-Also forum for help needs on specific dates

Workshops

-Aim to have at least one per semester

-Potential ideas

-Citizen science

-how to create app, citsci.org,

-social media

-scientific writing

-software workshops: R, GIS, PRESENCE, MARK

Social Events

-Usually do annual manatee paddling trip

-Lubee Bat Festival Oct 24th

-Could also volunteer or table as an outreach event

-Halloween Potluck

-Pi Day

-Santa Fe Zoo

-Whale Watching

-Friday Night Music Downtown

-Kayaking Santa Fe River

-Monthly Happy Hour

Staff Appreciation Event

-Could do on Administrator Appreciation Day

-Fancy Tea Party