



LESI Committee Form

Update for the 2020 IMDM – May 17, 2020

Committee Name WILA

Chairs and Vice Chairs

Action Plan

As relevant, consider addressing the following:

- Goals?
- Key topics discussed?
- Meetings / Calls?
- Events?
- Resources created?
- Work products?
- Suggestions for future focus / work to be done by the committee?

Pilot Mentor Program: We are awaiting survey results from the WILA Pilot Mentor Program. Estzer suggested and I agreed, that under the circumstances we should prolong the Pilot to the end of the year so people did not feel pressure and could also have more mentorship during the unprecedented time. When we get those results we will have a WILA ambassador call to share the news and give other programmatic updates.

Virtual Happy Hour: Depending on the survey information we can do a virtual happy hour for the Pilot Mentor Program.

Virtual WILA Panel: Since we will not be able to have the annual meeting panel we are looking to host a panel Q&A in July or August. Things are hectic now. Linda is not able to moderate but if a speaker drops away she would be happy to speak. Her background co-founding AUTM's women's inventor initiative and having recently been part of a book on this topic, she would be an interesting addition. I will wait to reach out until closer to the end of the month to see what the panelists think about this idea. I worry a request now may not be well excepted. Hopefully this will allow you to feel better as well.