***July 22, 2018 Email to Interested Ladies***

Greetings Lab Ladies Interested in R:

Thank you for all your interest and emails! Mark is also supportive and said to let him know how he can be helpful. I've heard from Gwen that Deb N. is also interested in talking R ladies so I've reached out to her as well.

Basically, there are a few Twitter Handles (a lot more than a few) but two of the basics are here:

@R-Ladies Global

@R-Ladies Remote

Each chapter has its own handle and there is everything from @R-Ladies Seattle to @R-Ladies Lausanne, etc... so check out the #RLadies on Twitter to find a ton of them!

For those of you interested in checking out the administrative docs/code/wikis/etc. behind starting a new chapter, see the following:

<https://github.com/rladies/starter-kit>

<http://tinyurl.com/rladies-guidelines>

From the email I received...

"There is no specific time frame for launching the chapter. Note that if other persons are interested in organizing this chapter, they will be onboarded to join you in the organization. You will be notified of this and contacted with any other person interested. The chapter's organizer team will remain open until the first meetup takes place. After the first meetup, the local organizer team will be in charge of any further decisions about local leadership."

My tentative plan for now is to read through the documentation and begin thinking about how our chapter could be structured, goals, plans, ideas (all brainstorming) and place them in a google drive (where all of you will have access/can add, put comments, etc.)... and then when I'm back in California we can set up a meeting in September to begin discussions... those interested would be part of the "chapter organizer team". We can also brainstorm other groups to reach out to on campus to pull more interested folks.

We can make the chapter what we want it to be... Many of the other chapters (from what I've gathered online) will do meet-ups to code, have social sessions, do presentations/lectures/etc. So I think we can really build it up and create a supportive learning environment.

Ok I'll stop there- what do people think? If people are generally in agreement with creating a google drive and then meeting up in September, I will set up the drive and get a doodle poll out to figure out when folks will be around.

Super excited to create a femme forward super power R group!

Meghan