UC Davis Plant Breeding Retreat: Program

Monday, December 18

12:00PM	Arrival; lunch provided – Great Hall
1:00PM	Afternoon Presentation Session – Lecture Hall
	Charlie Brummer, UC Davis Plant Breeding Center Director
	Plant Breeding at UC Davis – An Overview and Look to the Future
	Presentations on plant breeding/genetics research; including
	Jorge Dubcovsky – Department of Plant Sciences
	Deborah Golino – Director of Foundation Plant Services
	Saarah Kuzay & Kimberly Gibson – Student Collaborative Organic Plant Breeding Education
	Kent Bradford – Seed
	Dan Parfitt – Pistachio
	Patrick J. Brown – Walnut
	Sara Montanari – Pear, Walnut
	Maria Truco – Lettuce
	Steve Knapp – Strawberry
	Summaira Riaz – Grape
	Ted DeJong – Prune
3:15PM	Break – Great Hall
3:30PM	Speed Talks – Lecture Hall
4:00PM	Breakout Sessions – Great Hall
	Free form organization to discuss topics of interest; report out at end
	Topics will include plant breeding graduate curriculum; big project ideas for plant breeding;
	student/postdoc preparation for job market; on-going plant breeding activities; others as desired.
5:00PM	Regroup and Discuss – Lecture Hall
5:30PM	Adjourn for Happy Hour – Great Hall
6:00PM	Dinner – Great Hall
7:00PM	After Dinner Speaker – Lecture Hall: David Slaughter – SmartFarm

Tuesday, December 19

	Continental breakfast and bag lunch available - Great Hall
8:00AM	Morning Presentation Session – Lecture Hall
	Presentations on plant breeding/genetics research; including
	Gail Taylor – UC Davis Plant Breeding and Plant Sciences Department
	Cal Qualset – Plant Breeding: A Phoenix Arising?
	Michael Hardigan – Knapp Lab, UC Davis – Domestication in Potato and Strawberry
	Timothy Blank – California Crop Improvement Association, Foundation Seed Program
	Allen Van Deynze – Pepper, Spinach
	Dan Runcie – Statistical modeling
	Paul Gepts – Bean
	Dina St. Clair – Tomato
	Isabelle Henry – Chromosomes
	Pam Ronald – Rice Genetics
	Tom Gradziel – Peach, Almond
10:00AM	Speed Talks
10:10AM	Break – Great Hall
10:30AM	Breakout sessions – Great Hall
	Organized sections arising from afternoon breakouts on major topics to develop action plans
12:00PM	Adjourn; participants leave