MC meeting – July 12, 2016

* Need to start working on proposal
	+ Jess and Bob will be meeting in the Azores, will try to connect with Whendee
	+ Suggestions to integrate the following into the next proposal:
		- As sites get older, questions should become more comprehensive instead of just coming up with different questions
		- How are all the parts integrated and how do they link to the conceptual model?
		- What unanswered questions are suggested by the long-term data?
		- What do the longterm rainfall records and climate data show?
		- How is the drought regime changing – how often do dry spells happens, how long does it take dry spells to affect various organisms, is the location/timing of try periods changing?
* Budget
	+ Alonso’s former PhD student, Pablo Gutierrez, is going to be hired to help manage the stream drought experiment.
	+ Some $$ in the budget because the stream team does not need to build a weir and a technician position has been eliminated
* Misc
	+ Coweeta LTER shut down
	+ President, Chancellor, and two deans at UPR fired
	+ Site review suggested for week of March 27, 2017
	+ Beginning to plan elevation gradient work