**MINUTES OF GAMCHIX MEETING**

**VENUE: PURA**

**DATE: SUNDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER 2018**

**TIME: 5PM**

**ATTENDANCE**

Marie Ellen Chery

Marie Louise Johnson

Amie Njie

Binta Saidy

Sunn Faye

Oumie Saine

Emily Mendy Innis

Elizabeth Mendy

Alima Jah

Mariama Tunkara

**INATTENDANCE**

Esther king

Njugga Drammeh

Isatou Barry

Elizabeth Ndene

Aunty Anna

Isatou secka

Sally Cham

**AGENDA**

* Gamchix Summer Training
* Upcoming Gamchix Anniversary
* Gamchix Inforum
* Review of Membership
* AOB

**WELCOMING REMARKS**

The meeting started with usual opening prayer. Marie Ellen deputized for her chairperson and seized the opportunity to welcome all members for another session of the GAMCHIX meeting. She has emphasized the low turnout of attendance due to some reasons.

**GAMCHIX SUMMER TRAINING:**

Marie congratulated the Gamchix participants and facilitators who have contributed tirelessly towards the success of the activity. She embraced the idea of collective work as a way forward achieving the unfold activities in the pipeline. She thanked all those who contributed in one way or the other to make it a success.

**Way forward**

* Members re-emphasized that the training duration was too short for beginners in programming and therefore recommended the events committee to reconsider time allocations in any proposed training.
* The training venue was subsequently rescheduled to PURA due to unforeseen venue clash at ISOC Tango Building. Suun Faye, was applauded for hosting the training at their office (PURA). The events committee seized the opportunity to extend appreciation to members who attended the event. The committee also highlighted the low turn -out of members and kindly urged all to show commitment in all our proceedings.
* Marie highlighted that the overall it was a success being the first time event organized by GamChix. The targeted number of participants were twenty (20), But only registered Eighteen(18) participants of which Two(2) dropped out during the Day(2) claiming to be sick. Thus subsequently trained Sixteen (16) participants.

**UPCOMING GAMCHIX ANNIVERSARY**:

* Marie also reminded the members of the upcoming anniversary marking one –year since its formation. As proposed in the agenda, series of activities to be planned for the events.
* According to Amie Njie, it is important to set-up planning teams coordinate the activities for the event.
* Binta Saidy also proposed to have week-long activity in the form of trainings to build capacity among its members.
* As suggestions were open, the financial aspect has been considered being a challenge for the proposed activities. Notwithstanding, the proposed training could be achieve if all members work collectively towards its implementation.
* It was concluded that if we do not have the financial support to hold a week long program then we can go in for weekend training and hold a symposium on the final day or a career day.

**REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP:**

* It has being an overwhelmed issue in the last agenda, but needs to be re-address for consideration.
* Most of the Executive portfolios have been very dormant and members have been alerted to re-considering the different positions and the various responsibilities they uphold to since assumption of tenure in office.
* It has been a matter of consideration and now has been tabled-up for further proceedings.
* Members agreed for the chairperson to write warning letters to inactive members with reference to their appointments to served one year in office prior to the elections in January 2019.

**INFORUM**

Amie Njie encouraged members to continue with the inforum course as most of the initial problems have been solved.

Sarah, the moderator has been always willing to help and also replied to responses timely. She informed the group that some had the first call with Sarah and she has agreed to reschedule the timing of the inforum to allow others to catch up.

**AOB**

Members with the executive portfolios should show commitment in their dispensation of duties to avoid unnecessary measures.

The next meeting is scheduled for 30th September 2018