**MINUTES OF THE GAMCHIX MEETING**

**DATE: FRIDAY 22ND JULY 2022**

**VENUE: ZOOM**

**TIME: 13:00hrs**

**ATTENDEES**

Marie Ellen Chery

Aji Alima Jah

Fatou Secka

Cedric Adrien Mbeyet

Aisha Saho

Oumie Saine

Elizabeth Mendy

Anna S. Ndure

**APOLOGIES**

Esther King

Emily Innis

**OPENING PRAYERS**

* The meeting started with an opening prayer.

**AGENDA FOR FRIDAY, 22ND JULY 2022**

* Update from the last meeting.
* Discussing the way forward with the summer training.
* A.O.B

**UPDATE FROM THE LAST MEETING**

* The chairlady gave an update and narrated about how she reached out to a few people to join the committee and get some of the tasks assigned to be done before the next meeting which was scheduled for Friday, 22nd July 2022 but unfortunately they all claimed to be unavailable.

She went ahead again, to do an open call to everyone who is available and can help out to join the committee.

**DISCUSSING THE WAY FORWARD WITH THE SUMMER TRAINING**

* The floor was opened for ideas to be put across and interestingly it became a very interactive session in which members shared their thoughts on the way forward.
* The first step was to highlight the target group. There was a deliberation on whether to focus on high school students or to have it open so that anyone who finds the topics for the summer training interesting can attend. It was finalized that the summer training will target high school students.
* Choosing the topics for the summer training was suggested to be done on the WhatsApp group. This will allow members to send in topics they feel is appropriate and discussions to tailor down the topics will hopefully be more efficient considering everyone is on the platform.
* A timeframe of two hours a day, twice every week Fridays and Saturdays was suggested for the summer training.
* It was suggested that the designing of the flier will be outsourced to Alpha.
* Once the topics are selected and finalized in the WhatsApp group during the week, members who are available will be welcome to share their availability and the courses they will be able to train on. In addition, if you know anyone who will be willing to volunteer and teach some of the courses then you can reach out to them and put forward their names.
* Cedric disclosed that if we wish to have a hybrid session in which a trainer will be outside The Gambia, then AFRINIC can support with a Zoom session.
* Aji Alima volunteered to help with the logistics.

**ACTION**

By the next meeting;

* A finalized list of topics should be presented.
* Concept of summer training should be done.
* Trainers for the various topics identified.
* Information about the flier presented.

**A.O.B**

* Cedric has volunteered to do a training on the Internet Ecosystem when he visits The Gambia.
* Aisha Saho shared her thoughts on hosting a training for the women entrepreneurs since Gamchix has a partnership with MOTIE. The idea was appreciated and members thought it can hopefully be embarked on in the future.

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, 29th July 2022 at 13:00hrs UTC. A meeting link will be shared on the WhatsApp group before the date.