

**INLAND EMPIRE**  
**FACULTY USER GROUP MEETING**  
**FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 2022**  
**1:00PM - 2:00PM**  
**MINUTES**

## **AGENDA:**

### **GOAL:**

*The IE Faculty User Group Meeting brings together community college faculty from throughout the region, to build cross-college partnerships, share information and identify collaborative opportunities. Faculty represent IT, CIS, Cybersecurity and related IT disciplines.*

### **MEETING RECORDING:**

<https://bit.ly/3igZv36>

#### **1. Welcome and Agenda Review**

- a. Industry Sector Manager/Regional Director (ICT & Digital Media) Susanne Mata, welcomed all attendees and reviewed the agenda.
- b. This meeting is being done as a part of Susanne's Strong Workforce Project
- c. Susanne started the Faculty User Group meeting, last year in 2021, to bring faculty from different colleges together, to build partnerships and allow collaboration throughout the Inland Empire/Desert region. This also provides a platform and time for faculty, throughout the region, to report-out what's going on at their campuses, and offer ideas/best practices to others.

#### **2. Jon Hougey from SkillSets Online (<https://skillsetsonline.com/>)**

- a. NOTE: Susanne purchased SkillSets Online resource, last year in December, with her ICT & Digital Media grant, through the Chancellor's Office—which has now ended.
- b. SkillSets Online is available to everyone in the region, FREE OF CHARGE. Please reach out to Susanne if you would like more information - [smata@sbccd.edu](mailto:smata@sbccd.edu)
- c. Jon reviewed the SkillSets website and provided an overview of the login process and Dashboard for the platform.
- d. In order to start training, users have to get "Library Card Credentials".

- e. A SkillSets “Library Card” launches/enables a 2-week focus session. Users will have access for 2-weeks, as many courses as he or she wants. However, it is recommended that users do one training at a time.
  - f. SkillSets recommends 2-week sessions per module for best retention.
  - g. SkillSets provides training for CompTIA, Microsoft suite products, Amazon Web Services, Cisco and much more. Over 7,000+ hours of training.
  - h. SkillSets can also be used for “faculty professional development”. You just have to be allowed access.
  - i. Access is unlimited for as many students as you want!
  - j. If you would like to view Jon’s full presentation, please visit the recording link <https://bit.ly/3igZv36>
3. **Dan Knapp (Practice Labs) <https://skills.practice-labs.com/> and Cynthia Escartin (ACI Learning) <https://www.acilearning.com/>**
- a. Practice Labs has merged with ACI Learning.
  - b. Practice Labs is just like SkillSets, in which they offer supplemental learning resources.
  - c. Practice Labs offers labs and certification training.
  - d. Practice Labs offers training from titles such as: CompTIA, Cisco, Microsoft, Oracle, VMWare and more.
  - e. In addition to ACI, PL also utilizes “ITPRO.TV” <https://www.itpro.tv/> - Which is another training resource.
  - f. ACI Learning, with Practice Labs, offers two types of training: Live instructor led training and On-Demand training.
  - g. NOTE FROM CHRISSY YBARRA (synED): Practice Lab’s modules and training can be integrated in Canvas shell. Labs can be imported directly into Canvas.
  - h. TO COMMUNITY COLLEGE FACULTY: SUSANNE HAS A STRONG WORKFORCE PROJECT THAT IS PAYING FOR OUR IE/D REGIONAL ACCESS TO PRACTICE LABS. SHE HAS PURCHASED USER SITE LICENSES AND THOSE ARE AVAILABLE. SO, IF YOUR COLLEGE IS NOT USING PRACTICE LABS ALREADY, AND WOULD LIKE TO DEMO OR USE THE PLATFORM, PLEASE REACH OUT TO SUSANNE ([smata@sbccd.edu](mailto:smata@sbccd.edu)) OR CHRISSY YBARRA ([cybarra@syned.org](mailto:cybarra@syned.org))
  - i. To view Dan and Cynthia’s full presentation, please visit the recording link <https://bit.ly/3igZv36>
4. **Chrissy Ybarra (synED) <https://syned.org/> - March 2022 Mayor’s Cyber Cup Challenge competition and Live @5 update**
- a. Chrissy has reserved tickets for Community College teams that would still like to participate in the competition.
  - b. Mayor’s Cup competition will take place Saturday, March 12, 2022

- c. Live @5 community engagement event will take place from Monday, March 7 to Friday, March 11, 2022—from 5:00pm to 6:00pm every night.
- d. We would like to continue engaging at a community level with Educators, Students, business leaders, and government representatives.
- e. Please visit Official Mayor’s Cup website for more information - <https://sites.google.com/view/iedcmcc/home?authuser=1>
- f. To view Chrissy’s presentation, please visit the recording link.

**5. Faculty/College Share-Out:**

- a. Skip Berry (Riverside City College) - RCC now officially has an Information Security Cyber Defense certificate program that has been validated from CAE(Centers of Academic Excellence), the NSA (National Security Agency) and the Department of Homeland Security. Our internships and apprenticeships are doing fantastic! I have around 17 students who have either an internship or a paid apprentice in Cyber and/or IT. Employers are being engaged and students are being placed. James (Jim) Cregg added that RCC students are heavily involved in NCL (National Cyber League).
- b. Kasey Nguyen (Moreno Valley College) - Moreno Valley also has a great apprenticeship program. MVC also won a grant for Cybersecurity Healthcare apprenticeship. I am also leading a project in Data Science. We have a partnership with UCR (University of California, Riverside), for the “Fellowship”; that’s happening every summer for 3-years. We also built pathways for transfer to UC’s—Berkley, Davis, UCR and San Diego—for Data Science. I am also leading a scholar project, so students can get scholarships (for low income students, with high academic standing). Lastly, we are building out our living classroom, so we can collaborate across disciplines.
- c. David Nimri (Chaffey College) - Chaffey has a program for Cybersecurity, and is currently looking into CAE (Centers of Academic Excellence) certification. Chaffey’s apprenticeship and internships are doing incredibly well (estimating close to 30 students placed). Chaffey has also submitted for a Cloud Computing AS degree—it will be paired with our existing Cybersecurity AS degree. Chaffey also has a Virtual Reality AS degree.
- d. Martin Flores (College of the Desert) - Thanks to Kasey, COD has been working on the paperwork for Apprenticeships and Internships. Our “Cyber Tech Squad” is doing good—it’s like “Geek Squad” but for our students who don’t have money to pay for computer repairs. Only cost incurred is for whatever part(s) that have to be replaced. COD will have students participate in the Mayor’s Cup competition, and COD has plans to take students to DEF CON (Hacking Conference) this year.

- e. Reginald (Reggie) Metu (San Bernardino Valley College) - SBVC has financing and needs to purchase equipment for their space. SBVC is working on their application for CAE. SBVC has been working on apprenticeships. SBVC has a place dedicated to Cybersecurity and has secured funds to buy equipment for that space.
- f. Chris Simpson (National University) - National University is a CAE, and Chris is the Southwest Region Rep. So, feel free to reach out if you need help with partnerships. Chris reviews packages, and can give tips and tricks.

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO CONNECT WITH ANY OF THE PRESENTERS, PLEASE CONTACT SUSANNE MATA ([smata@sbccd.edu](mailto:smata@sbccd.edu))**

**WE TRULY APPRECIATE YOUR ATTENDANCE AND SUPPORT!**

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