Missoula College Information Technology Program

Advisory Board

Date: 12/12/2023

Time: Noon to 1 PM

Where: Missoula College

Room: MC 122

Attendees:

Victor Valgenti

Jeff Arends

Kacey Durberger – MCPS

Wally Higgens

Blackfoot communications

VP at allegiance

Jason

Adam munsen – cto at

Jaron Jones – elm llc

Dianne Burke

Grace Gardner

Zach Rosmiller

Minutes

1. Welcome
2. Status of Program
   1. NSA Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense (CAE-D) recertification completed June 2023
   2. 2nd Cyber, IT, and CS Annual Speed Networking Event
   3. Security Operations Center
   4. 2 cybersecurity Competitions (Cybersec Challenge, and CTF in Spring)
   5. UMT Cyber Discussions 10/28/2023
   6. Narrative Intelligence/AI Collaboration
   7. Gencyber
      1. Completed camps in Great Falls and Missoula June 2023
      2. Will have a camp in Missoula June 2024
   8. CyberMontana—Dianne Burke
      1. Security Awareness Training
      2. Upskilling (Rapid training program)
      3. Incident Response Tabletop Exercises
   9. Center for Cybersecurity Workforce and Rural Policy
      1. Outreach opportunities
3. Future of the Program
   1. Bachelor’s Degree in Cybersecurity with COB is live
   2. Adding more hands-on in the classroom
4. Questions to the Board
   1. What kinds of activities would board members be willing to participate in with Missoula College and/or Missoula College students?
      1. At the SOC, EDR (sentinel 1, nessus, splunk, crowdstrike, sentinel 1, etc)
      2. Need to focus on defense – very few jobs related to offense
         1. Presentations from local businesses
      3. Cyber Maturity – adopting controls
         1. NCSR
      4. At MCPS, the focus is: where are the jobs?
      5. Job shadowing/tour – advertising what jobs are present
5. Open Discussion
   1. Vision: labs and exploration in the morning, effectively do a job for the rest of the day
      1. More managed than an internship
   2. Considerations of AI
   3. Analyzing logs
   4. Pentest reports