

Chapter Minutes - SIM Meeting

December 15, 2011

Meeting was called to order at 8:45 AM on 12/15/2012.

Welcome - Jim Osteen welcomed attendees and requested that each attendee introduce themselves and the organization they represent.

Jim Osteen introduced SIM and its purpose.

Attendees were reminded that they can stay connected to the local chapter by using our website:

[www.simnet.org](http://www.simnet.org)

Chapters

Southeast

South Florida

Jim – discussed the community initiatives that the SF Chapter supports locally, including:

- MDCPS – “Help Dade Schools” – program to provide wireless access for students in all Miami-Dade County Public Schools – more info [www.helpdadeschools.com](http://www.helpdadeschools.com)
- AOIT – Job Shadow Day 2/1/12 Academy of Information Technology in MDCPS – is sponsoring a job shadowing day for High School Juniors which will be followed by Internships in Summer 2012 – more info contact Rebecca Ann Fields 305-995-7379
- Comcast’s low cost \$9.95 internet offering for students in Free Lunch Program
- One Community One Goal’s new report on Miami-Dade’s IT Competitive Environment

Jim requested that any organizations involved with a technology refresh program this year consider the donation of equipment being retired to local organizations such as:

- Elevate Miami – [www.elevatemiami.com](http://www.elevatemiami.com)
- Miami-Dade Broadband Coalition – [www.miamibroadband.org](http://www.miamibroadband.org)

Jim introduced the topic for the day - ***Are You Sure Your Virtual Environment is Safe?***

and our guest speaker – Connie Barrera

**Bio for Ms. Connie Barrera - Director of Information and Security Compliance**

Connie Barrera joined the University of Miami in 2007. She is responsible for policy, governance, and compliance for UM IT systems security, separating policy from operations to ensure adequate controls and proactive leadership in security methodologies. Previously, she worked at Baptist Health South Florida as a Systems Engineer, where she was responsible for architecting, installing, and supporting all major systems and later transferred to the IT Security area as Lead IT Auditor. Mrs. Barrera holds several certifications including: MCP, MCSE, CCNA, CCM, CISSP, CISA, CRISC, CCA, and ISA.

**Jim advised attendees that the elections for South Florida SIM Executive Board will be held in January 2012. If you are interested in participating or assisting please send me an email to [simsfa@simnet.org](mailto:simsfa@simnet.org) . Positions include: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Programs Chair and Membership Chair.**

**Meeting was adjourned at 11:15 Am on 12/15/2011**