

**Education Committee Meeting**

**Date: Oct. 30, 2010; Time: 3:00 to 4:15 pm**

**Meeting Location: Extra Space Storage,  
Presidents Row Room  
658 South Venice Blvd, Venice, 90291**



*... Pizza & Lite Refreshments/Drinks will also be Provided. The meeting of the Ed Com committee really will be a general introduction & meet/greet meeting. It should last about 1 hour.*

VNC EdCom Chair: Pete Thottam (T: (310) 497-7255; E: [peter.thottam@venicenc.org](mailto:peter.thottam@venicenc.org))

VNC EdCom Committee Mission Statement:

VNC Education Committee has general responsibility for addressing issues, concerns, programs and services related to education of children, youth, and adults and developing specific strategies and policies for influencing and achieving constructive outcomes within schools, classrooms, and other education/ learning centers that serve the Venice Community.

*The VNC Education & Outreach Committee focuses attention and resources on several areas:*

- Venice/Mar Vista & Marina Del Rey Education System Improvement, K-12 and college (particularly transition services, support services, and Special Education);
- Child Development Services, emphasizing early intervention and inclusion;
- Adult Training, Skills Development & advancing Latino youth self-advocacy skills (Sponsored Programs);
- Minority Parent / Venice Community Outreach and Marketing – furthering goals & interests of local public schools.

**3:00 pm - #1.** Call to Order & Roll-Call/Sign In.

**3:05 pm - #2.** Welcome from Committee Chair / Personal Introductions of Attendees.

**3:10 pm - #3.** Brainstorm & discuss activities and achievements relating to Venice area schools' Plan Goals, Issues and Objectives (also discuss recent meetings w/ Steve Zimmer, MVCC, Venice High School staff, Broadway, Las Dorados, Mark Twain, and other schools). *Additional* topics for discuss will include: (1) Invite two candidates for UTLA President to debate/ and or come to a Venice/Mar Vista Forum; (2) A value added analysis and a forum with Data Specialist David Victorin (purportedly one of the best and he is free); (3) School supplies and backpack grant for Title One students in Venice schools; (4) Discussion of local school API trends (Broadway, etc.).

**3:45 pm - #4.** Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (15 min, no more than 2 minutes per person)

**4:15 pm - #5. Adjourn. Set Next Meeting Date.**

**2011 - Tentative List of Goals & Responsibilities**

- Solicit the opinions and participation of Venice families and others who are stakeholders in the local public schools (Venice, Mar Vista and Marina Del Rey).
- Initiate & oversee school grant projects and sponsored programs to carry out Board priorities.
- February 2011 Public School Town Hall (*Possible Topics: LAUSD Budget Issues; Charter School Developments*)

