**Ventura College**

**Distance Education Committee Meeting**

**Agenda**

**Thursday, May 8, 2014**

**2:00 pm – 3:30 pm**

**LRC 136 Training Studio**

Meets on the second Thursday of each month, in LRC 136 Training Studio.

PURPOSE: The Distance Education Committee exists to meet the instructional, communication, computing, and research needs of the students, and faculty, of Ventura College. The mission of the committee is to focus on the delivery of distance education and its environment be it web enhanced on ground courses, hybrid courses or fully on line courses, and to take a proactive leadership role on educational, technological and professional development issues surrounding distance education.

OUR GOAL: Our greatest wish is to provide services and quality education in the distance education format that will enhance students' opportunities to be successful in their educational pursuits. We have established a goal to improve student success in distance education classes to equal that of face to face classes. Not a small task, as we currently have an average student success rate (C or higher grade) of about 10% less than like classes that are delivered face to face.

1. Strategic Plan Review (just the last pages) need your feedback (see attached)
2. Distance Education Hand Book Review (see attached updated handbook)
3. Update on Pilot of Quality Matters
4. Contract update on Distance Education New Article 23.5A and 23.5.A (2)
5. Update on SUO’s for Distance Education
6. Update on Distance Education Accreditation (see attached)
7. Update on Simple Shell training and launch for Summer Classes to replace Course Studio
8. Smarthinking Usage – Sandy
9. Online Education Consortium Pilot Colleges
10. End of year Evaluation of the Committee
11. Other items?