



Meredith Machen

Speaker Bio: After Meredith completed her doctoral studies in English at the University of NM, she taught composition, literature, and human development classes for over 30 years mostly at the community college-level. In addition, she taught English at Santa Fe Prep for two years and at UNM for several years. She retired from Santa Fe Community College in 2008 after 25 years there, the last few of which, she was Vice President for Educational Leadership.

Understanding the need for sound public policy in order to help educationally and economically disadvantaged students succeed, she gravitated toward the League of Women Voters. In 2008, she became the Santa Fe County's League Voter Services Chair, its President and the LWVNM Education in 2009. She became the LWVNM Vice President and Voter Services Chair in 2011, and she has served as LWVNM President since 2013 and will step down in 2017. She continues to serve as LWVNM's Voter Services Chair as well as the Chair of Education and Immigration Committees.

Topic: Charter School Regulations: Public School Funding, Accountability, and Transparency

Meredith is a passionate supporter of public education and committed to providing the best opportunities for students. Throughout her teaching career, she focused on helping the academically weakest students, especially the economically and educationally disadvantaged, those challenged by disabilities, and English language learners. During the course of her work

Meredith became more aware of the differences between charter schools and traditional schools. Her growing awareness of the disparities led to her study of charter school regulation and finances which she will discuss.

From: Unit Meeting

Place: *Good Samaritan Social Center, Conference Room downstairs,*

Time: *Tuesday, October 11 9:00 -11:00*

http://www.santafenewmexican.com/news/education/group-seeks-moratorium-on-n-m-charter-schools/article_7556a5b7-7082-51b5-a4e4-40bfe7a8b2b1.html
