

**Valencia Foundation  
Report to the Board of Trustees  
December 2018**

**Foundation leaders determine top five board goals**

In its September business meeting, attendees identified the top five board goals for 2019-2020:

- Attain 100 percent board giving
- Achieve 100 percent board attendance
- Strategically grow the board
- Tell Valencia's stories to the right people
- Connect to potential donors and advocates

**December giving opportunities abound**

If you've not yet completed your year-end charitable giving, please consider Valencia Foundation. One hundred percent of every dollar you donate goes entirely to scholarships or programs, with not a single penny directed to overhead or any other expenses. The trustee scholarship created by the trustees is established. It may be accessed by visiting [www.valencia.org/donate](http://www.valencia.org/donate) and selecting Valencia College Trustee Scholarship from the drop-down menu.

**Invite colleagues and friends to learn more about Valencia student programs**

Learn more about access programs through direct interaction with Valencia's talented students in a World Café social. On Wednesday, Jan. 23, the event will begin with a 6 p.m. reception at the Grand Bohemian Hotel and culminate with student roundtables. Please invite like-minded individuals who share our passion for education to help tell Valencia's story.

**Don't miss the foundation board retreat**

On Feb. 7 and Feb. 8, the board will meet in its annual retreat to inspire, inform and invite action to benefit students. We will begin Thursday morning and continue through early Friday afternoon at Universal Orlando's Sapphire Falls Resort. Thursday night will include a special dinner and a VIP attraction experience.

**Taste for Learning X**

On Saturday, May 11, join fellow donors at Rosen Shingle Creek Resort to gather new funds for first-generation college students. Every dollar for sponsorships, tickets and auction items goes directly to scholarships and is doubled by a challenge grant. So, for example, a \$5,000 sponsorship will provide \$1,000 scholarships for 10 deserving students. Thank you to ABC Fine Wine and Spirits, Rosen, and local chefs for providing everything for free. This is the tenth Taste; over time, the event has raised \$3.3 million.

**Please mark your calendars: 2018-19 foundation board gatherings**

- **Interactive Board/Student World Café and Reception:** Wednesday, **Jan. 23**, 6 p.m.
- **Board Retreat:** Full day and overnight Thursday, **Feb. 7**, and half day Friday, **Feb. 8**.
- **Finance Committee:** Wednesday, **Feb. 20**, 8:30 a.m.
- **Full Board Meeting:** Thursday, **April 11**, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- **Endowed Chair Dinner:** Wednesday, **April 17**, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
- **Full Board Meeting:** Thursday, **May 9**, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- **Finance Committee:** Wednesday, **May 15**, 8:30 a.m.