## Valencia Foundation Report to the Board of Trustees February 2019

## Valencia welcomed new directors in the fall

In addition to trustee liaison, Beth Smith, the foundation has welcomed five new board members this term: Pat Engfer, Jeff Mock, Louis Robbins, Chip Tatum and Sheri Torres.

- *Pat Engfer* retired as a senior executive with Hyatt, serving for 39 years in various capacities, including GM and area vice president of the Hyatt Grand Cypress and Hyatt Airport. She chaired the boards of CFHLA, Central Florida Partnership, Orlando Regional Chamber, EDC, and the Convention and Visitors Bureau.
- *Jeff Mock* is vice president at Clancy & Theys, which has been a donor to the foundation for the past 12 years, supporting Taste for Learning, Take Stock in Children, and the CREW and AIA golf tournaments. Clancy & Theys has donated \$43,000 to Valencia.
- Louis Robbins, president of Key Performance Hospitality Management, was also
  a 24-year senior-level hotelier serving with Hilton and Nickelodeon, including
  opening the Nickelodeon Suites Resort.
- *Chip Tatum*, a Valencia alum, is the CEO of Apartment Association of Greater Orlando. Under Chip's leadership AAGO invested \$25,000 for scholarships in the new residential property management degree program. He also helped gather industry leaders to donate more than \$100,000 to support the program. Chip serves on the program's advisory council.
- *Sheri Torres* is vice president of HR, diversity and inclusion for Walt Disney World Resort, which has given \$1.2 million over time and is preparing to announce a new major gift to support the Downtown Campus School of Culinary Arts and Hospitality.

## Taste for Learning X

On Saturday, May 11, raise a toast at Rosen Shingle Creek to gather scholarships for first-generation 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.

To learn more about sponsorship opportunities, please visit www.VALENCIA.org/Taste.

## Please mark your calendars: 2019 foundation board gatherings

- **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 to 10 a.m.