



June 23, 2022

TO: THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF VALENCIA COLLEGE

FROM: DR. KATHLEEN PLINSKE
President

RE: LYNX AGREEMENT RENEWAL

In 2017, Valencia College and LYNX partnered to offer free bus rides to students and employees with transportation challenges. In accordance with the Partnership Agreement entered into on August 15, 2017, Valencia covers the cost of the program, with no additional cost to participating Valencia students or employees. The initial five-year Partnership Agreement expires on August 15, 2022.

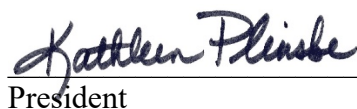
The annual cost of this program, which allows all enrolled students and College employees to ride the bus for the year, is \$75,000. Individuals who benefit include degree-seeking and continuing education students (including accelerated training programs), dual-enrolled students, UCF students taking courses on Valencia campuses, and part-time and full-time Valencia faculty and staff.

Bus service is available on all LYNX fixed-route and NeighborLink routes during times that LYNX is in service. The services are available regardless of whether classes are in session or between sessions, or Valencia is closed due to a holiday, weekend, or other such circumstance.

Since the partnership began, Valencia College students and staff have used the service more than one million times. To continue this highly beneficial program, both Valencia and LYNX have agreed to extend the original agreement, maintaining existing terms and conditions, to continue through August 2027.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The President recommends that the District Board of Trustees of Valencia College approve the extension of the Lynx Partnership Agreement, as recommended and presented.



President