

**Valencia Foundation  
Report to the Board of Trustees  
April 2015**

**Nominate a community leader to serve Valencia**

At the May 5 meeting, the board development committee will begin the nomination, invitation and discernment process for 2015-16. Please consider advancing the name of a community leader with a commitment to education by emailing or calling Geraldine. Richard McCree is leading this effort in collaboration with Jonni Kimberly.

**Please join us**

Valencia Foundation's board of directors invites the college's governing trustees to all of our meetings and gatherings. Please mark your calendars and feel very welcome:

Wednesday, **May 6**, 9 a.m.: **Finance Committee**. Citrus Club

Thursday, **May 21**, 11:35 a.m. networking/lunch, 12 to 1:30 p.m. meeting: **Full Board Meeting**. Foundation Offices, 1768 Park Center Drive, fifth floor

Wednesday, **Aug. 26**, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.: **Scholarship Luncheon**. *Please note new date.*

Thursday, **Sept. 24**, 11:35 a.m. networking/lunch, 12 to 1:30 p.m. meeting. **Full Board Meeting**. Foundation Offices, 1768 Park Center Drive, fifth floor

Saturday, **Nov. 7**: **Taste for Learning**. Brought to you by ABC Fine Wine and Spirits and Rosen Hotels and Resorts. Rosen Shingle Creek Resort

Saturday, **Dec. 5**: **Donor Recognition Gala**.

**Celebrating the foundation's endowed faculty chairs**

Earlier this month, foundation board members met with the 35 endowed faculty chairs to recognize their creativity and academic scholarship in an evening celebration. Three professors showcased their projects to serve students.

**Foundation disbursements and contributions increase**

As of Feb. 28, funds distributed \$2.2 million dollars this fiscal year, as compared with \$1.75 last fiscal year. The amount of scholarships has 54 percent, allowing the foundation to expanding funding to deserving students. Foundation donations climbed from \$1.2 million to \$1.35 million, year over year, while the endowment increased from \$61 million to \$66 million from March 2014 to December 2014. Non-endowed funds grew from \$494,000 to \$575,00, while endowed gifts increased from \$377,000 to \$444,000.

**Join us on the fairway to open access to education**

Commercial Real Estate Women are hosting their 24th golf tournament to benefit Valencia College students. Sponsorship opportunities can be found at [www.CREWOrlando.org](http://www.CREWOrlando.org).