

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Consent Items

September 18, 2007

SUBJECT: Valencia Community College - Request Approval to change Site Designation of Winter Park Special Purpose Center to a Campus.

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

To approve the request from the Board of Trustees of Valencia Community College to change the special purpose center site designation in Winter Park to a Campus.

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

Section 1001.02(7)(e), Florida Statutes.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Florida Department of Education's strategic imperative to coordinate efforts to improve higher student learning is achieved with the approval of this request for the special purpose center. Rule 6A-14.0061, Florida Administrative Code (FAC), entitled "Campus, Center, Special Purpose Center and Instructional Site Designations" provides that the State Board of Education review and recommend for or against the establishment of campuses, centers and special purpose centers. To obtain State capital outlay and operating support, the facilities must be designated a campus, center or special purpose center. Based on the documentation presented by the college, all the criteria stipulated in Rule 6A-14.0061 FAC are satisfied. The college is requesting to change the designation from a Special Purpose Center to a Campus. A campus is defined in the rule as "a unit of a community college, consisting of college owned facilities and staffed primarily by full-time personnel. It houses a full range of instructional services and of institutional, instructional, and student support services." The center currently offers these comprehensive programs and support. The college also meets the requirement that all existing campuses serve an enrollment of 3,000 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) students as specified in part (5)(c) of the Rule. The primary threshold for a Campus in Rule 6A-14.0061(1) and (4)(e) FAC, is that a site have at least 1000 FTE's and this request satisfies that guideline with over 1,130 FTE's.

Request for a waiver for this item.

Yes

No

Supporting Documentation Included: Letter of request, Proposal and SBOE Rule 6A-14.0061, FAC

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