## Sole Finalist for College President Selected

## TO: Lee College Community FROM: Mark Hall, Board Chair, Board of Regents, Lee College DATE: September 24, 2019 RE: Announcement of the Next President of Lee College

I am pleased to inform you that the Lee College Board of Regents has asked Dr. Lynda Villanueva to assume the position of President of Lee College and is expected to begin duties on February 1, 2020. We hope to welcome her in January for a transitional month with President Dennis Brown who retires January 31, 2020. We look forward to Dr. Villanueva's leadership as we enter the next chapter of Lee College's history.

The Lee College Presidential Search provided the Board of Regents four very qualified and competitive candidates. Ultimately, the Board chose Dr. Villanueva, in part for her demonstrated leadership with many of the student success programs and initiatives already underway at Lee College and the vision she shared to move Lee College forward in the years to come.

Lynda Villanueva, Ph.D., is Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs and Student Affairs at Brazosport College in Lake Jackson, TX. She previously served as Dean of Instruction at Brazosport College in Lake Jackson, TX. Dr. Villanueva earned a Doctor of Philosophy in Industrial/Organizational Psychology and a Master of Arts in Psychology from the University of Houston in Houston, TX; and a Bachelor of Science in Psychology from Colorado State University in Fort Collins, CO.

On behalf of the Lee College Board of Regents, I would like to share my appreciation to every member of the Presidential Search Committee for their time, dedication and thoughtful work on behalf of Lee College. I would also like to extend my appreciation to the College community for your participation at the recent presidential forums. As well, I extend my appreciation to my fellow Regents for their time and consideration of all of the applicants. Everyone's input was reviewed and greatly valued by the Board. Your collaborative work truly enriched the search process.

"I'm honored to be named as the sole finalist for the presidency at Lee College. I have received such positive responses from faculty, staff, and the community and I see such potential. I cannot wait to work to realize that potential for our students, our business and industry partners, and everyone who cares about Lee College and this community." – Dr. Lynda Villanueva

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