

Sauk Valley Community College
March 28, 2022

Agenda Item 4.6

Topic: Faculty Sabbatical

Mission: Sauk Valley Community College is dedicated to teaching and scholarship while engaging the community in lifelong learning, public service, and economic development

Presented By: Dr. David Hellmich and Dr. Jon Mandrell

Presentation:

Tom Irish, Assistant Professor II of English, has submitted an application for consideration of sabbatical leave for the 2023 Spring Semester. During this time, Professor Irish aspires to write and publish a novel, bringing the knowledge of the process back to his classes. Professor Irish teaches Composition, Journalism, and Creative Writing courses for the College.

As part of the eligibility process, a committee was formed consisting of Jon Mandrell, Shelley Barkley, Val Kern-Lyons, Paul Edelman, Mandy Aldridge, Karen Abele, and Gil Reynders. The committee heard from Professor Irish and his interests for the sabbatical. After discussion and review of materials, the committee approved of the sabbatical request.

Recommendation:

The administration recommends the Board approve the sabbatical request of Professor Tom Irish for the Spring 2023 semester.