

Sauk Valley Community College
April 3, 2023

Agenda Item 3.1.1

Topic: **Recognition of Dr. Lauren Orton**

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:

Dr. Lauren Orton, Professor of Biology, is one of two nationally selected recipients for the Botanical Society of America's Public Policy Award. As a recipient, Lauren has been invited to attend the April 24-26 Congressional Visits Day and Science Public Policy Communications Training in Washington, D.C. The visit will provide her with the opportunity to advocate for science policy, research, and educational funding directly to members of Congress. An overview of the recognition will be provided by Dr. Orton.