

OHLONE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Trustees CONSENT

FROM: Doug Treadway

DATE: April 11, 2007

SUBJECT: Sabbatical Leave Proposals, 2007-08

The Sabbatical Leave Committee consisting of Jennifer Harper, Counseling; Katie Frank, Art; Ron Staszko, Mathematics; Denise Owen, Art/Interior Design; Walt Birkedahl, Dean, Fine Arts, Business and Broadcasting; and Dr. James Wright, Vice President of Academic Affairs has reviewed the faculty sabbatical leave proposals for 2007-08, and recommends the following leaves be granted:

Vicki Curtis	ESL	Fall 2007
Bob Bradshaw	Mathematics	Fall 2007
Brenda Ahnholz	Speech	Fall 2007
Carmen Madden	English	Spring 2008

A summary of each faculty member's proposal is attached.

RECOMMENDATION

The President/Superintendent recommends that the Board approve the recommendations of the Sabbatical Leave Committee and Dr. Wright.

DT: jw/ct

Attachment

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### Summaries

Vicki Curtis, Fall 2007

Vicki will research, write and implement a multi-level English Institute (EI) curriculum for international and lower proficiency level English learners at Ohlone. This will be a systematic, multi-level curriculum to better meet the needs of future international students. Vicki will design a unique IEI model based on the learning community paradigm that incorporates cutting edge technology for language learning, such as podcasting.

Bob Bradshaw, Fall 2007

Bob will redesign the learning materials for Math 188 – Precalculus. This work will address a number of needs: despite efforts to reduce the cost, the textbook price remains high; there is no online version of this course available at the college; commercially available products for web-based materials do not match my ideas; and students in Calculus have limited alternatives on for reviewing single topics. During his sabbatical, Bob will write a set of course notes to be available for free download as PDF files, making the textbook completely optional.

Brenda Ahnholz, Fall 2007

Brenda has been an active member of the Ohlone-AIU Doctoral program. During her sabbatical, Brenda will complete her coursework and comprehensive exams and will work on her dissertation. She is deciding between two dissertation topics: 1) assessing the peer review process in the speech lab for overall student success; and 2) expanding the theories of bi-racial identity development by interviewing bi-racial members of the Ohlone community.

Carmen Madden, Spring 2008

Carmen will work to further develop a Creative Writing Program at Ohlone. She will also produce and direct a film she has written, White Space. She also plans to enroll in several reading courses at Cal State Hayward so that she will be able to teach reading as well as writing and composition.