

## ***Sabbaticals Committee Report, 2005-2006***

### ***Membership:***

Biology – John Weinstein	History – Kyle Sinisi
Business Administration – Dorothy Moore	Library – David Heisser
Chemistry – Carey Rushing	Mathematics and Computer Science – William Denig
Civil and Environmental Engineering – Michael Woo	Modern Languages – Katya Skow-Obenaus
Education – Linda Elksnin	Physics – Joel Berlinghieri
Electrical and Computer Engineering – Mark McKinney	Political Science and Criminal Justice – Robert Steed
English – Philip Leon	Psychology – Mike Politano
Health, Exercise and Sports Science – Gary Wilson	

On September 1, 2005, the committee held its organizational meeting. David Heiser, after serving as chair for two years, stepped down and Professor Mark McKinney was elected as chair. A subcommittee consisting of Dorothy Moore, Katya Skow-Obenaus and David Heisser was formed to plan a round-table symposium.

On October 13<sup>th</sup>, a sabbaticals symposium and luncheon, sponsored by the provost, was held in The Regimental Commander's Riverview Room. About 30 people attended and the topic of the symposium was "Sabbatical Strategies and Fulbright Opportunities". Presentations were made by Whangbai Bahk and Donald Sparks and poster displays were provided by Mei-Qin Chen, Laurence Moreland and Lisa Zuraw. Committee members were also available to answer any questions concerning the sabbatical process.

Four applications for sabbaticals were received by the close of the application period, November 4, 2005 at 5pm. The committee members read the applications, interviewed the applicants during the week of November 14<sup>th</sup>, discussed the proposals, and then ranked the applications. Applications were ranked by assigning each first place choice the number 1; second place choice number 2; and so on with the option of recommending not funding the proposal. The results were compiled and the committee transmitted its recommendations and rankings to the provost on December 1<sup>st</sup>.

In January, Provost Steven notified the successful applicants of their awards. Full-year sabbaticals were awarded to Professors Elba Andrade and Janette Moody. A half-year sabbatical was awarded to Professor Al Gurganus.

For the committee,

Mark H. McKinney  
Chair, 2005-2006