

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.5. SABBATICAL LEAVES OF ABSENCE

In accordance with Article 45, Sabbatical Leaves, of the collective bargaining agreement between the Board of Trustees and the College of Lake County Federation of Teachers, Local No. 2394 AFT, sabbatical leaves may be granted for the purpose of improving the quality of services provided to the constituents of the College of Lake County. The Sabbatical Leave Committee reviewed submitted proposals by faculty, meeting the eligibility requirements within the criteria defined in Article 45, and submits the following recommendation for FY 2026:

	Name	Title	Duration of Leave	Summary
1	Dublis, Katherine	English, Instructor	One full academic year of two semesters teaching at one-half load but at the individual's full contract salary	Purpose: To conduct research on supporting students in their navigation of higher education and their varying levels of experience, interest, and confidence in engaging with campus support services. Findings about students' feelings, opinions, beliefs and previous experiences regarding higher education help shape the way CLC's Accelerated Learning Program embeds student supports into the ENG 121/100 curriculum. Collaboration is planned with Math and Advising department colleagues on this topic.

Recommendation: Approve the sabbatical leave of absence for faculty member as indicated above.