

To: Susan May, for the Faculty Senate
From: Steven Isaac
Re: Annual Report (Committee on Faculty Development and Research)
Date: 24 April 2012

Committee Members:

Steven Isaac, Department of History, Political Science, and Philosophy
Cheryl Adkins, Department of Management, Marketing, Retailing, Computer Information
Management Systems, and Business Education
Chris Jones, Department of Education and Special Education
Cathy Roy, Health, Athletic Training, Recreation, and Kinesiology
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In January 2012, members of the Faculty Development and Research Committee, having received six proposals the preceding fall semester, recommended funding all six sabbatical proposals. The VPAA's office confirmed (with one caveat below) that all were granted.

1. Thomas Akre (Biology)
2. Melissa Rhoten (Chemistry)
3. Steven Faulkner (Creative Writing)
4. Brian Bates (Anthropology/Archaeology)
5. Francisco Javier Urende (Spanish)
6. John Burke (Art) (This sabbatical has been delayed by Prof. Burke and the administration until the 2013-14 academic year.)

In March, the committee reconvened to consider proposals for the Faculty Research and Development Grants. Nine applications were received, with the committee recommending eight (the last being shelved in the knowledge that the applicant was leaving Longwood). All eight were funded by the VPAA's office, to the sum of \$49,213.

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| 1. Amorette Barber (cancer research) | \$13,000 |
| 2. Richard Franssen (Salamanders) | \$10,000 |
| 3. Wade Znosko (Zebra Fish) | \$11,000 |
| 4. Michael Mergen (Highway Photos) | \$4223 |
| 5. Philip Cantrell (Rwanda Genocide) | \$4725 |
| 6. Kerri Cushman (Printmaking) | \$1950 |
| 7. Erin Devine (Digital Activist Art) | \$2595 |
| 8. Will Holliday/Lily Goetz (ENG 400 dev.) | \$1720 |

The committee was unanimous in its praise of the quality of research and scholarship being pursued across the campus in all disciplines. It was a pleasure, via the sabbaticals and grants, to be able to recognize and further enable the projects of our colleagues.