

**Sauk Valley Community College
March 17, 2025**

Action Item 4.6

Topic: **Outstanding Adjunct Faculty Member Award**

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, Dr. Jon Mandrell, and Patrice Hess**

Presentation:

Dr. James Sanders is SVCC's Outstanding Adjunct Faculty Member Award winner and is being nominated for the 2025 ICCTA Outstanding Adjunct Faculty Member Award.

Education and professional background: Dr. Sanders has been with SVCC for 15 years. He earned his Doctoral degree from Palmer College of Chiropractic-IA with his emphasis in Chiropractic. As a veteran, he has shown his dedication to our nation. As a Sauk Alumnus, Dr. Sanders has a deep understanding of SVCC's mission and is passionate about serving the community and its needs.

Comments from Nomination: Dr. James Sanders has been teaching Biology at SVCC for over 15 years and has played an integral role in shaping the lives of healthcare professionals and biology students. He has instructed over 400 students in Biology, providing both lecture and lab in the evenings. His real-world experience as a local doctor of chiropractic adds to his outstanding instruction and preparation for students pursuing healthcare fields. Workforce development is a core part and challenge of a community college, and Dr. Sanders is always ready and prepared to assist his students for classroom success.

Recommendation:

The administration recommends the Board approve the nomination of Dr. James Sanders for the 2025 ICCTA Outstanding Adjunct Faculty Member Award.