

MOORPARK COLLEGE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

To: Jane Harmon, Interim Executive Vice President
Riley Dwyer, Academic Senate President

Cc: Iris Ingram, Vice President of Business Services

Fr: Pam Eddinger, President

Date: March 20, 2013

Subject: Moorpark College 2013-14 Program Status Report and Subsequent Actions

I am in receipt of the referenced report, submitted by Dr. Harmon on March 11, 2013. First, I would like to thank you both, as well as our deans and faculty, for anchoring this most important Program Evaluation process. I understand that it has proceeded in accordance to plan, with deep and cogent conversations regarding the present and future of our programs.

In reviewing the status of the individual programs, I note that “*no action needed*” was noted for 33 programs. “*Strengthen the program*” was noted for 29 programs, with specific guidance captured in the *EVP Comments* column.

I read with concern that Geography has been identified for “*Review for Discontinuance*.” I also note in the *EVP Comments* column that, “*Without some strenuous intervention, strengthening connections with other divisions, working with transfer institutions...*,” and in particular, “*competing curriculum updates*,” this program would not serve our students well.

Understanding that some interventions are being implemented, and that this discipline would be a valuable resource for our students should the program be strengthened, I will not recommend that the program enter the Program Discontinuance process at this juncture. The program faculty are to be afforded a reasonable timeframe to implement improvements.

In the Program Evaluation process of 2014-2015, particular attention must be paid to the strengthening activities and their results, and whether the program can be made relevant and viable. I look forward to dramatic improvements at that time, so that the program may be removed from the “*Review for Discontinuance*” category.

Again, thank you for your good work on behalf of our College and our students.