

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.