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Date: April 5, 2015

TO: Foothill College

FM: Judy C. Miner, President

RE: Welcome to Spring 2015

As we begin Spring Quarter, I would like to highlight our important collaborative process which will result in an Educational Master Plan (EMP) setting the course for Foothill College over the next eight years. The plan will extend from 2016 to 2024, congruent with the College's accreditation process timeline. The committee charged with developing the EMP is our primary governance group, the Planning and Resource Council (PaRC). For the process to be truly collaborative, however, we need to solicit the thoughts, opinions, and suggestions of the entire College community to identify overarching goals that are supported by everyone.

The key components of EMP data gathering will take place this quarter. Beyond an environmental scan provided by our Office of Institutional Research, we have expert assistance in gathering qualitative input from two members of the Collaborative Brain Trust, Dan Rosenberg and John Spevak. They will be interviewing many stakeholders both on and off campus. Key dates include:

April 13 Community interviews hosted in Los Altos, Palo Alto, Mountain View, and Sunnyvale

April 28-29 Interviews of students, staff, faculty, and administrators at Foothill including an open town hall on April 29 from 12-1pm

April 20 to May 1 Webinars for online faculty and student input

May 13 All-day retreat for PaRC

The quantitative data and qualitative input will be available to all interested parties at our EMP web site:

<http://www.foothill.edu/president/parc/esmp.php>

During summer and fall, the college will continue work on the 2016-2024 EMP, and the final document will be presented to the District's Board of Trustees no later than December 2015.

You will be seeing emails from me during Spring Quarter with additional information, updates, and reminders. Along the way, if you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact me or any other member of PaRC. Your participation is greatly appreciated as we develop a master plan that will be significant and useful.

Warmest regards,

Judy