Community College of Philadelphia

OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS <u>M E M O R A N D U M</u>

TO:College CommunityFROM:Judith GayDATE:August 28, 2006SUBJECT:Announcement from Academic Affairs

I am pleased to announce that Dr. Sharon Thompson's title has been changed to **Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of Liberal Studies** as she assumes broader duties in Academic Affairs. Sharon's senior level experience as an administrator, including serving as Acting Vice President for Academic Affairs for a year, makes her an excellent choice for this added responsibility.

One of Dr. Thompson's initial responsibilities is to provide temporary oversight for the Division of Educational Support Services in the absence of a division dean. To provide additional support during this period, Mr. Stephen Grieco has agreed to serve as Acting Assistant Dean reporting to Dr. Thompson. He will provide oversight for the departments of Music and Photographic Imaging, and will assist Dr. Thompson by providing coordination for Academic Advising, Academic Computing, AV Services and Distance Education.

Ms. Kathleen Smith has also agreed to serve as Acting Assistant Dean. Ms. Smith will provide oversight for the departments of Social Science, Behavioral Sciences and Design Technologies in addition to her responsibilities as Director, Center for Law and Society. Dr. John Howe, Chair of the department of English, has agreed to serve as Special Assistant to the Dean providing oversight for the departments of Foreign Language, History and Philosophy, and Art.

I appreciate the efforts that all of these valued members of the College community are making to ensure that Academic Affairs continues its mission of assuring an excellent education for students.