TO: The Academic Senate
FROM: The Committee on Instruction and Curriculum (CIC)
SUBJECT: Proposed Amendment to the Faculty Bylaws
PURPOSE: Senate approval to place this proposal on the Winter Quarter ballot

ACTION REQUESTED:
That the Senate send the proposed changes to the Bylaws of the University Faculty to the faculty for a vote of approval. If approved by 2/3 of voters, provided there are enough votes cast in the election, the Bylaws of the University Faculty shall be amended to permit CIC members to be exempted from term limits until the quarter to semester conversion is complete.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:
At the last meeting of the Academic Senate in 2013-4, President Morishita informed the Senate that CSU East Bay will convert from quarters to semesters, effective Fall, 2018. As implied by 12-13 COBRA 2, CIC is the key standing committee of the Academic Senate in the planning process for this conversion. To allow for continuity in this process, CIC requests that the Faculty suspend the application of Article XVI, Section 5C for the members of CIC. This proposal does not mandate the individuals run for reelection, nor does it guarantee their respective colleges shall elect them if they do run for reelection. This proposal also does not guarantee individuals a seat on the committee beyond the terms for which they are elected.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FACULTY BYLAWS:
CIC recommends the following amendments to Article XVI, Section 5C of the Bylaws of the University Faculty (as noted by bold red font):

SECTION 5: Terms of Office

C. For Faculty and Student Services Members of Standing Committees Other than COBRA: Faculty members and Student Services members shall be elected for two-year overlapping terms. Such members may serve consecutive terms, but having served two terms, shall not be eligible to serve again on the same committee within a year. Such a member elected or appointed to serve out the unexpired term of another shall be eligible for election to two terms of his/her own, provided that no person shall serve more than five consecutive years. The provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to CIC until the University academic calendar has been converted to a semester-based calendar at which time this exception shall be removed from the Bylaws.