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To: Guanshu Xu, Chair  
Committee on University Extension

From: Jose Wudka, Chair  
Riverside Division

Re: Review of Bylaw Change

The Executive Council reviewed the proposed changes in the bylaws for the Committee on University Extension. Council does not support the proposal. Specifically, Council found that

- The deletion of 8.25.2.2 would severely limit the abilities of the committee to exercise its role as advisor to the Chancellor in matters that affect the educational mission of Extension
- The deletion of 8.25.4.1 contradicts the role relegated to the Senate by the Regents as specified in Standing Order 105.2.b

Moreover, Council was surprised by the justification provided: it suggests that the Committee has been remiss in carrying on its duties. The Committee on University Extension should be actively involved in maintaining the quality and access of education as provided by UCR extension, and this requires it to advise the administration on budgetary and academic matters.

Concerning this type of proposals, Executive Council is an advisory body, and in this capacity we urge the Committee not to present this proposal before the Division.