

**APPROVED FACULTY SENATE MOTION
CHARTER AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE
(12-09-2014)**

WHEREAS, The Senate Bylaws state, “In subsequent elections all representatives will serve two years terms as stated in the FS Charter”; and

WHEREAS, the bylaws references the Faculty Senate Charter for placing term limits on the senators; and

WHEREAS, the charter does not have any mention of the term limits that a senator can serve in the Senate; and

WHEREAS, there are some inconsistencies between the charter and bylaws of the senate with regard to the terms that a senator can serve on the faculty senate. Specifically, the committee ascertained that the FS Bylaws language, “Elected representatives may not serve more than two consecutive terms,” is inconsistent with its charter; and

WHEREAS, The University of Northern Colorado struck term limits for Faculty senators from its bylaws on November 7, 2011¹; and

WHEREAS, The Nevada State College has proportional representations for its Faculty Senate²;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that any language that references term limits of a senator be deleted from the FS bylaws document. Specifically, the language “Elected representatives may not serve more than two consecutive terms. After serving two consecutive terms, elected representatives shall not be eligible for re-election or to fill vacant or unexpired terms for a period of two years,” be deleted.

References:

¹ <http://www.unco.edu/facultysenate/Senate%20Actions-pdfs/1015%20Senate%20Term%20Limits-Faculty%20Senate%20Bylaws2-3-105-sl.pdf>

² http://www.nsc.nevada.edu/5014.asp#Article_2:_Membership