**Gavilan College**

**Academic Senate Resolution – DRAFT (2/6/18)**

WHEREAS: Students are challenged to complete degrees and certificates when courses are impacted;

WHEREAS: Enrolling in classes at other community colleges to complete said courses is challenging due to the lack of a single streamlined application process;

WHEREAS: The Online Education Initiative (OEI) Exchange has created a single, streamlined application process whereby students are able to enroll once, and Gavilan College joining the Exchange would allow our students to register for CI-D aligned courses with their current registration priority, increasing the likelihood that they are able to complete their degrees and certificates;

WHEREAS: The OEI has opened applications for the second cohort of colleges to join in the OEI Exchange;

WHEREAS: The OEI has helped raise the quality of online courses by creating the OEI Rubric and by offering Canvas free to all California community colleges;

WHEREAS: The next OEI cohort will focus on student equity, which is also a focus at Gavilan College;

WHEREAS: The Gavilan College Distance Education Committee supports joining the OEI; and

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that Gavilan College apply to become part of the 2018 OEI Consortium Cohort.