SENATE ACTION FORM

No. 1202

Subject: The Liberal Arts Council 2-3-107(2)

Reference to Senate Minutes dated: 10/26/2020 [Faculty vote concluded 11/24/2020]

Senate Action:
MOTION: LAC – It is moved to approve as presented the Board Policy updates governing the Liberal Arts Council.
VOTE: Approved by voice vote.
Faculty Vote Result: *PASSED* with 98.15% approval; 159 in favor, 3 opposed.

Response requested:

_____ Approval for placement in University Catalog

_____ Approval for placement in University Regulations

__X__ **Recommendation to Board for placement in Board Policy Manual**

_____ None (sent as information item)

__X__ Other action requested/comments: **Administrative review and Presidential approval requested.**

Faculty Senate Chair — Date: 12/01/2020

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Administrative review of Senate action (unnecessary for information items):

_____ Reviewed by **VPAA/Provost**. Check _____ if comments attached

_____ Reviewed by **General Counsel**. Check _____ if comments attached

Presidential action:

_____ Approve _____ Reject _____ Return to Senate for discussion/modification (comments attached)

President/Designated Administrative Officer — Date

Date of Board approval (if applicable): _____

PLEASE RETURN SIGNED ORIGINAL AND ATTACHMENT TO THE FACULTY SENATE OFFICE, CARTER HALL 2004, BOX 75.
Faculty.Senate@unco.edu

Attachment to Senate Action #1202
Approved by the Faculty Senate
October 26, 2020
Faculty vote concluded November 24, 2020

Revisions to 2-3-107(2)
See highlights and strikethroughs for additions and deletions.

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(I) To review and make recommendations concerning courses proposed for the ~~Liberal Arts Core~~ Curriculum.

(II) To review and make recommendations concerning ~~Core~~ Curriculum courses nominated for inclusion in ~~gtPathways – the state's guaranteed transfer program~~ the Guaranteed Transfer (GT) Pathways General Education Curriculum.

(III) To recommend modifications ~~of~~ to the ~~Core~~ Curriculum.

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(C) Philosophy and the Arts: five (5) members; three (3) from Arts and Expression~~– responsible for the courses in Area 3a (Arts), 3 members~~; two (2) from Ways of Thinking ~~and the courses in Area 3c (Ways of Thinking), 2 members~~.

(D) Social and Behavioral Sciences: five (5) members; two (2) from Economic or Political Systems ~~– responsible for the courses in Area 5a (Economic and Political Systems), 2 members~~; one (1) from Geography ~~the courses in Area 5b (Geography), 1 member~~; two (2) from Human Behavior and Social Systems (e.g. Anthropology, Communication, Sociology, and Psychology) ~~and the courses in Area 5c (Human Behavior and Social Systems), 2 members~~.

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~~(II) The Core Curriculum Committees shall also be responsible for Core electives clearly falling in the areas of their disciplinary expertise. Highly interdisciplinary electives shall be distributed among the committees by the chair of the LAC.~~

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