## ARTICLE I. POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE COLLEGE SENATE

## **SECTION I – Responsibilities of the College Senate**

The College Senate shall have responsibility, subject to guidelines and policies established by the CUNY Board of Trustees, to formulate policy pertaining to the operation of LaGuardia Community College, including the following:

- A. Establish and protect the academic standards of the College.
- B. Set qualifications for degrees, requirements for matriculation, and scholarship standards; the faculty, however, shall reserve the right to confer degrees.
- C. Review the operations of the College curriculum, approve new curricula and courses, and review modifications of existing curricula.
- D. Determine and review all policies dealing with instruction, with the academic calendar, and with faculty and student welfare and development consistent with academic freedom and professional standards.
- E. Formulate policy governing the conduct and behavior of members of the college community consistent with individual rights and democratic principles.
- F. Review information from the Administration on budgetary appropriations and disposition, and all other available information as is necessary to implement the functions of the Senate.
- G. Determine policy with respect to facilities of the College.
- H. Consult with the President on nominations to a search committee in the event of a vice presidential vacancy.
- I. Create a search committee that includes faculty representatives in the event of a presidential vacancy, subject to approval by the CUNY Board of Trustees.
- J. Create bylaws for its own operations consistent with its governance plan and the policies and bylaws of the CUNY Board of Trustees.
- K. Create such additional standing and ad hoc committees as are deemed necessary to carry out the functions enumerated herein.
- L. Inform itself on College programs and operations. In the course of carrying out its responsibilities, the Senate, through its Executive Committee, shall be fully advised of, shall routinely receive, and shall be free to seek information from the College's administrative officers on all matters germane to the programs and operations of the College.