1.3.1 UNIVERSITY SENATE COUNCIL

1.3.1.1 Purposes and Functions of the Senate Council The University Senate Council is charged with providing leadership to enable the Senate to perform effectively its primary role of formulating and implementing educational policies of the University as described in the Governing Regulations.

The Senate Council is specifically charged with continuously reviewing the University’s academic policies and may call to the attention of the appropriate administrative officer any need for compliance with the Rules of the University Senate.

In accordance herewith, the Senate Council shall serve as executive committee for the University Senate in fulfilling the following functions: (See Section I, 1.2.3)

A Study and report or recommend to the Senate on any matter of concern to the Senate.

B Receive, consider and recommend action on Senate Committee reports and on reports and recommendations from colleges. The Council may recommend approval or disapproval, or may present the matter to the Senate without recommendation.

C Appoint the standing Committees of the Senate, special committees that it finds to be essential for the performance of its functions and other committees as designated by the Senate.

D Advise with the President on the appointment of the Senate Advisory Committees; advise with the appropriate chancellor on the appointment of search committees for the appointment of deans of colleges.

E Plan the agenda of the Senate. Distribute notices of regular Senate meetings at least ten (10) days prior to meetings with agenda and recommendations for Senate action to members of the University Senate and to administrative offices that are concerned with academic affairs, and of special meetings as directed.

F Act for the Senate on all matters involving academic programs, degrees and curricula changes, subject to the requirements of reporting and the power of the Senate to reverse the Senate Council on these matters.

G Act on other matters referred to it by the Senate with the responsibility and authority delegated to it by the Senate.

H Act for the Senate in emergency situations, reporting such actions to the Senate at its next regular meeting.
I Advise with the President on all matters relative to the welfare of the University which the President brings to it or which it proposes for consideration. In addition, the Council shall invite the President annually to inform the Senate concerning general academic policies and budgetary priorities.

J To broaden the process through which names of potential area committee members are generated for submission to the President, the Senate Council shall invite faculty councils or other bodies on the level of schools and colleges to participate by nominating potential members.

K To maintain a record of additions to or modifications of the Rules between periodic revisions and distribute copies of the revised Rules to members of the faculty at least annually.