

As Amended - If Amended

Requirements for General Liberal Arts AA and AS degrees

WHEREAS AT THE COLLEGE WIDE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 6, 2014 SEVERAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS SUGGESTED THAT THE GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE GENERAL LIBERAL ARTS AA AND THE GENERAL AS DEGREES SHOULD BE REVISITED AFTER THE DEADLINE FOR SEAMLESS TRANSFER IS MET, AND

WHEREAS AT THE ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 13, 2014, THE DEBATE OF THE RESOLUTION RELATING TO COMPLIANCE WITH THE SUNY SEAMLESS TRANSFER MANDATE INCLUDED STATEMENTS THAT QUESTIONED WHETHER NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE SHOULD CONTINUE TO REQUIRE TWO COURSES OF MATH, TWO COURSES OF SCIENCE, AND TWO CREDITS OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION AS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE GENERAL LIBERAL ARTS AA AND AS DEGREES, AND

WHEREAS MOST AREA COLLEGES AND FOUR YEAR SUNY COLLEGES DO NOT REQUIRE TWO COURSES OF MATH, TWO COURSES OF SCIENCE AND TWO CREDITS OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION TO GRADUATE WITH THE GENERAL LIBERAL ARTS BA OR BS DEGREE, AND,

WHEREAS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF OUR STUDENTS, A FULL AND OPEN DISCUSSION OF GENERAL LIBERAL ARTS AA AND AS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS NEEDS TO TAKE PLACE,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE HEREBY DIRECTS THE ACADEMIC SENATE TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS CONSISTENT WITH GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS OF A MINIMUM OF 60 AND A MAXIMUM OF 64 CREDITS FOR A REDESIGN OF THE GENERAL LIBERAL ARTS AA DEGREE TO INCLUDE OPTIONS THAT ALLOW FOR GRADUATION WITH THE GENERAL LIBERAL ARTS AA DEGREE WITH LESS THAN TWO COURSES OF MATH, TWO COURSES OF SCIENCE AND TWO CREDITS OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SUCH RECOMMENDATIONS BE ACCOMPANIED BY APPROPRIATE DATA," AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT FOR PURPOSES OF CONSISTENCY THAT BOTH THE GENERAL LIBERAL ARTS AA AND AS DEGREES HAVE IDENTICAL PHYSICAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS,"

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE ACADEMIC SENATE SHALL MAKE MONTHLY REPORTS TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AS TO THE STATUS OF THE WORK IN FURTHERANCE OF THESE RECOMMENDATIONS, AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT IF SAID RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE ACADEMIC SENATE ARE NOT PRESENTED TO THE BOARD BY MAY 12, 2015, THE BOARD SHALL CONSIDER WHAT FURTHER ACTION IS APPROPRIATE RELATING TO THE GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE GENERAL LIBERAL ARTS AA AND AS DEGREES.