

AGENDA

The University Interscholastic League Legislative Council
Standing Committee on Academics
Austin Marriott North, 2600 La Frontera Blvd, Round Rock, Texas 78681
October 20, 2013

The regular annual meeting of the Standing Committee on Academics will be held at the time and day indicated below, according to the following agenda, unless otherwise announced by the Chairman of the Committee after a quorum has been established.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2013

Time	Agenda Item	Room	Individual Responsible
9:00 a.m.	<u>BUSINESS MEETING</u>	La Frontera I, II	Dan Troxell, Chair
	A. QUORUM DETERMINATION		
	B. ADOPTION OF MEETING RULES		
	C. ADOPTION OF AGENDA		
	D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 10, 2013		
	E. EXECUTIVE SESSION		
	An executive session will be announced at this time pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act of the Texas Government Act, Subchapter D, 551.074 and 551.071. The Legislative Council may discuss personnel matters and may consult with an attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation. No other items of the business of the UIL will be considered during the executive session.		
	F. STATEMENT OF COMMITTEE PURPOSE		

PURPOSE

The purpose of this committee is to consider proposals for changes in the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* that have academic related aspects in order to report recommendations to the Legislative Council on October 21, 2013.

The Committee may take any action permitted by the UIL rules, including any of the following motions regarding items on the agenda.

- (1) Ask the Legislative Council to designate a proposal an emergency item. (This motion is appropriate for any proposal that was not considered at the summer meeting. If this motion passes, it requires further action.)
- (2) Ask the Council to pass a proposal.
- (3) Refer a proposal to the Standing Committee on Policy.
- (4) Refer a proposal to the entire Council, with no committee recommendation.
- (5) Ask the Council to place a proposal on a referendum ballot of the members with a favorable, unfavorable, or neutral recommendation.
- (6) Ask the Council to establish a special study or ad hoc committee to formulate a report on a proposal.
- (7) Instruct the UIL staff to continue to monitor.
- (8) Instruct the UIL staff to study a proposal with or without survey.
- (9) Approve an item in concept and instruct the staff to draft appropriate language.
- (10) Reject a proposal.
- (11) Any other motion a member wishes to make.

The meeting is a business meeting of the Committee and not a public hearing. Thus, presentations may not be made by outside groups or individuals during this meeting. The meeting is open and everyone is welcome to attend. If one of the Committee members needs clarification, questions may be asked of those in attendance. The UIL Director or a designated member of the UIL staff and Council members not assigned to this committee shall be recognized to speak on any issue.

- G. STAFF PROPOSALS AND REPORTS Dr. David Stevens, Acad. Dir.
1. A proposal to add the Barbara Jordan Historical Essay Competition as a sanctioned UIL contest.
 2. A proposal to add the Latino History Essay Competition as a sanctioned UIL contest.
 3. A proposal to require that at least one judge on the journalism judging panel be a current or former journalism teacher at the Regional and State level. If one journalism teacher, current or former, could not be secured the host could request a waiver from the State Office.
 4. A proposal to allow schools in conferences A and 2A for the 2014-16 alignment (current Conference A schools) to utilize students enrolled in grade 8 to participate in one-act play at the high school level when the play would be withdrawn from competition due to lack of student interest or eligibility.
 5. A proposal to amend the Academics section of the C&CR to include only the structure of the contest and remove specific contest procedures and operations to be placed into a handbook for each event.
- H. REVIEW OF WRITTEN PROPOSALS Dr. David Stevens, Acad. Dir.
6. A proposal to allow a school to cast as many actors as required, by the playwright, on plays that are on the UIL approved list of plays for the UIL one-act play contest or plays not on that list, that requires and gets approval.
- I. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS Dan Troxell, Chair
- J. ANNOUNCEMENTS
- K. ADJOURNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A COMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MAY GO INTO CLOSED SESSION ON ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA WHERE AUTHORIZED BY THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAPTER 551.

1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 551.071, Committee members may consult with their attorney concerning pending or contemplated litigation, and all matters identified in the agenda where the Committee members seek the advice of their attorney as privileged communications under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas.
2. Action, if any, in Open Session on items discussed in the Executive Session.

Meetings of the University Interscholastic League Legislative Council are open to the public except for any posted executive session held in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act. Persons interested in a Council meeting and desiring communication or other special accommodations should contact the UIL Office at least two working days prior to the meeting. The UIL Office is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., excluding holidays and contact information follows: phone (512) 471-5883; fax (512) 471-5908; email admin@uiltexas.org; 1701 Manor Road, Austin, Texas 78722.