

# AGENDA

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The University Interscholastic League Legislative Council  
Standing Committee on Academics  
Austin Marriott North, 2600 La Frontera Blvd, Round Rock, Texas 78681  
October 19, 2014

A meeting of the UIL 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 19, 2014

Time	Agenda Item	Room	Individual Responsible
10:00 a.m.	<b><u>BUSINESS MEETING</u></b>	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, 2014		
	E. 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 20, 2014.

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.

F. OLD BUSINESS

1. Staff Study / Reports

- a. A proposal to change the administration procedures for One-Act Play time penalty punishments. (Academics 1)
- b. A proposal to have the Theatrical Design competition be divided up into conferences; academic points given at the district and state levels; and a regional level added.
- c. A proposal that regional meets should be required to hold a semifinal round with 17 or more contestants in all of the speaking events.
- d. A proposal that an additional tie breaker should exist in all of the speaking events. (Academics 2)
- e. A proposal to add an investment competition.
- f. A proposal to add a robotics competition. (Academics 3)

2. Review of Previously Approved Proposals

- a. A proposal to allow schools in conferences A and 2A to utilize students enrolled in grade 8 for One-Act Play.
- b. A proposal to authorize development and pilot testing for a 2nd grade version of the A+ Music Memory contest. (Academics 4)
- c. A proposal to authorize development and pilot testing of a computer science event for A+ Academics. (Academics 5)

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. Written Proposals

None to discuss.

2. Staff Proposals

- a. A proposal to pilot a copy editing contest. (Academics 6)
- b. A proposal to eliminate the speaker at the state level for the Feature Writing Contest. (Academics 7)

3. Proposals referred to the Academic Committee from the Public Hearing

4. Members' New Business

H. ANNOUNCEMENTS

I. 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.

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