The University Interscholastic League Legislative Council Standing Committee on Academics **Austin Marriott North 2600 La Frontera Blvd Round Rock, Texas 78681 June 16, 2015, 10:00 a.m.** (or such time as announced by the chair)

The regular annual meeting of the Standing Committee on Academics will be held at the time indicated below, according to the following agenda.

Time	Agenda Item	Individual Responsible
Tuesday, June 16	Business Meeting	Dan Troxell, Chair
10:00 a.m.	A. Quorum Determination	
	B. Adoption of Meeting Rules	
	C. Adoption of Agenda	
	D. Approval of Minutes of October 19, 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 June 17, 2015.

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

- (1) Ask the Legislative Council to designate a proposal an emergency item. (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 entire Council, with no committee recommendation.
- (5) Ask the Council to place a proposal on a referendum ballot of the members with a favorable, an 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 an area of concern.
- (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 Athletic 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 Academic 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.

Thank you for being in attendance and showing your interest in interscholastic activities.

F. Old Business

- 1. Staff Study/Reports
 - 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 add an investment competition
 - c. Report on the process for pilot Robotics competition

G. New Business

- 1. Written Proposals
 - a. A proposal that the essay portion of the social studies contest either be used only as a tie breaker or be eliminated all together.
 - b. A proposal to add a contest in graphic design or photography or desktop publishing or web graphics.

- c. A proposal that One-Act Play judges should be not be residents, former students, and/or teachers from the schools in those districts.
- d. A proposal that non-advancing One-Act Plays do not stay for critiques.
 - e. A proposal to eliminate the sweepstakes points cap for events.
 - f. A proposal to move the Literary Criticism contest to a different part of the academic conflict pattern.

2. Staff Proposals

- a. A proposal to add Congress as a sanctioned UIL contest.
- b. A proposal to add Young Filmmakers Festival as a sanctioned UIL contest.
- 3. Proposals referred to the Academic Committee from the Public Hearing
- 4. Members' New Business

H. Staff Reports

I. Announcements

J. 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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