REPORT OF

THE UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACADEMICS

JUNE 14, 2016

On June 14, 2016, the Standing Committee on Academics met in regular session at the Austin Marriott North Hotel in Round Rock, Texas. Based upon items considered, the Committee took the following actions during its business meeting.



THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACADEMICS Referred the Following Proposals to the Standing Committee on Policy

- **a.** An amendment to add Congress as a sanctioned contest for high school.
- **b.** An amendment to add the Young Filmmakers Festival as a sanctioned contest for high school.

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACADEMICS Authorized the Staff to Monitor The Following Proposals

- **a.** A proposal that a school district with split grade levels at middle schools (6-7 graders at one campus, 8th graders at another campus) combine the districts 6-8 graders for middle school one-act play.
- **b.** A proposal that a school district with split grade levels at middle schools (6-7 graders at one campus, 8th graders at another campus) combine 7th and 8th graders for one-act play.
- c. A proposal to hold state one-act play and academic contests the last couple of days of the week before the football state championships or the first couple of days the week that the football championships are played.

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACADEMICS Authorized the Staff to Study The Following Proposals

- **a.** A proposal for One-Act Play that each school shall be allowed a maximum of four directors.
- **b.** A proposal that UIL One-Act Plays should be prohibited from using inappropriate language in performances.
- **c.** A proposal that UIL One-Act Plays shall follow all of the provisions found in the local Student Code of Conduct and Chapter 37 of the Texas Education Code.
- **d.** A proposal that all UIL One-Act Plays shall be appropriate for all school aged children.

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACADEMICS Rejected or Took No Action on the Following Proposals

- **a.** A proposal to hold district meets at a non-competing school facility.
- **b.** A proposal that a UIL One-Act Play judge may not judge a contest where the judge is a current or former employee of a competing school.
- c. A proposal to award bronze medals at the state academic meet for team events in Math, Number Sense, Calculator Applications, Science, Computer Science, Social Studies, Literary Criticism and Current Issues & Events.

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THE UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS

JUNE 14, 2016

ON JUNE 14, 2016, THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT THE AUSTIN MARRIOTT NORTH HOTEL IN ROUND ROCK, TEXAS. BASED UPON ITEMS CONSIDERED, THE COMMITTEE TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS DURING ITS BUSINESS MEETING.



THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS Passed the Following Proposals

- a. Allow Cross Country participation on a Sunday prior to a Cross Country Regional meet that starts on a Monday.
- b. Alter volleyball dates for practice, scrimmages and match
- c. Amendment to allow 1A separate softball and baseball state championship
- d. Amendment to allow two teams in the 1A softball & baseball playoffs
- e. Allow 3A schools to participate in 4A soccer

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS Passed the Following Proposals for October 2016 Legislative Council Consideration

a. Change language for 6A football home field advantage pilot program

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS Authorized the Staff to Study The Following Proposal With A Survey

- a. Guidelines in how districts determine if they have an area meet
- b. Area track meet options
- c. Reinstating the tournament, meet or event reduced in each sport in 2012

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS Referred the Following to the Football Rules Committee

a. Eliminate the chop block

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS Referred the Following to the Sports Officials Committee

- a. Officials travel and mileage reimbursement in Section 1204
- b. Require umpires to report directly to UIL instead of chapter secretaries

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS Referred the Following Proposals to the Medical Advisory Committee

a. Pitching limitations

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS Authorized the Staff to Study/Monitor The Following Proposals

- a. Allow for a double elimination tournament for 5A and 6A baseball in the first and second round of the playoffs
- b. Allow for a double elimination format for the 6A baseball state tournament
- c. Allow for a Unified team participation at the state track and field meet
- d. Pitching limitations
- e. Eliminate the third round match in the area meet for team tennis
- f. Allow the top 2 representatives of each district in football the right to host a first round playoff game in all conferences
- g. One-game exception to the season limit for football teams in the first round of playoffs
- h. Three additional events for the adaptive track and field meet

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS Denied, Rejected, or Took No Action on the Following Proposals

- a. Adding an area meet for golf
- b. Punishment for players who are ejected
- c. 35 second shot clock in girls and boys basketball
- d. Allow volleyball to participate on Wednesday
- e. Allow softball coaches to coach students in their attendance zone
- f. Mandatory weighing of pole vaulters and poles at the beginning of district
- g. Regulations on basketball tryouts
- h. Allow parents to film games

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THE UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICY

JUNE 14, 2016

On June 14, 2016, the Standing Committee on Policy Met in Regular session at the Austin Marriott North Hotel in Round Rock, Texas. Based upon items considered, the Committee took the following actions during its business meeting.



THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICY Passed the Following Proposals

- a. A proposal to clarify what it means to be a registered UIL official.
- b. A proposal to add defining language that clarifies the intent of the Amateur Athletic Status rule.
- c. A proposal to create a pilot program for 2016-17 school year for an injury data collection program.
- d. A proposal to add Congress as a UIL sanctioned contest for high school.
- e. A proposal to add The UIL Young Filmmakers Festival as a UIL sanctioned contest for high school.

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICY Authorized the Staff to Study The Following Proposal With A Survey

- a. Proposals to create split divisions in 5A and 6A.
- b. A proposal to allow 2A schools to participate in soccer.
- c. A proposal to add water polo as a UIL sanctioned sport for 5A and 6A.
- d. A proposal to add lacrosse as a UIL sanctioned sport for 5A and 6A.

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICY Authorized the Staff to Study/Monitor The Following Proposals

- a. A proposal to give each student who places a medal.
- b. A proposal to award all cross country state qualifiers with a medal or plaques/trophies.

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICY Referred the Following Proposals to the Sports Officials Committee

a. A proposal to create more requirements for sports officials.

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICY Tabled, Rejected or Took No Action on the Following Proposals

- a. A proposal to create a split conference format for baseball.
- **b.** A proposal to create a 1A conference in softball and baseball.
- **c.** A proposal to allow home school students to participate in public school sports.
- **d.** A proposal to create a 7A conference.
- e. A proposal to add gymnastics as a UIL sanctioned sport.
- **f.** A proposal to allow live games to be telecast.
- g. A proposal to create a policy that provides restrictions on the length of time a student can be away from school while participating in a UIL activity.

- **h.** A proposal to add powerlifting as a UIL sanctioned sport.
- i. A proposal to change UIL internal procedures to no longer identify a campus by school name and city.
- **j.** A proposal to allow transgender athletes to play the sport they identify with.
- **k.** A proposal to have medals at the regional meet for the wheelchair division.
- **l.** A proposal to require all member schools to report all concussions sustained during all athletic events and practices.
- **m.** A proposal to remove the transfer eligibility rule.
- **n.** A proposal to revise Subchapter J, Section 360.
- **o.** A proposal to allow students enrolled in a non-participant school to compete at a participant school.
- **p.** A proposal to reduce the eligibility period.