

AGENDA
UIL Standing Committee on Academics
October 18, 2020

A meeting of the UIL Standing Committee on Academics will be held on Sunday, October 18, 2020 via teleconference beginning at the time indicated below, according to the following agenda, unless otherwise announced by the Chair.

In accordance with the waiver to certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act issued by Governor Greg Abbott on March 16, 2020, and in the interest of avoiding large gatherings and promoting social distancing during this pandemic, one or more members may participate by teleconference or videoconference.

Please note that there is no physical location for this meeting in order to ensure safe social distancing during the COVID-19 pandemic, and it is only accessible via live stream at <https://www.uilTEXAS.org/academics>

Time	Agenda Item	Individual Responsible
Sunday, October 18 10:30 a.m.	<u>Business Meeting</u> A. Quorum Call B. Adoption of Meeting Rules C. Adoption of Agenda D. Approval of Minutes of June 16, 2020 E. Statement of Committee Purpose	Keith Bryant, Chair

Purpose

The purpose of this committee is to consider proposals for changes in the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* that have academics related aspects in order to report recommendations to the Legislative Council on October 19, 2020.

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. 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 Legislative Council members not assigned to this committee shall be recognized to speak on any issue.

- F. Old Business
 - 1. Review of Previously Considered Proposals
 - a-b. Proposals for Computer Applications
 - c. A proposal to combine A+ Science I and II tests for grades 6-8
 - d. A proposal to add points for Top Presiding Officer in State Congress
- G. New Business
 - 1. Written Proposals from the Public
 - a. A proposal to create a new division of speech and debate called "Negotiation"
 - b. A proposal for academic events with a team component to enter a total of up to six contestants at the district level, and advance the top four scorers as the team
 - c. A proposal to expand the number of divisions from 2 divisions to 3 in the film contest
 - d. A proposal to add a new STEM event, SPACE TEAMS
 - 2. Proposals Referred to the Academic Committee from Public Hearing
 - 3. Staff Proposals
- H. Announcements
- I. Adjournment

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A COMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MAY GO INTO CLOSED (EXECUTIVE) 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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