

**Minutes of
The University Interscholastic League
Legislative Council Meeting
October 15-16, 2017**

Business Meeting (A - E)

The 77th annual meeting of the Legislative Council of the University Interscholastic League convened at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 15, 2017, at the Austin Marriott North Hotel, Round Rock, Texas. The following were present:

Council Members: Jim Waller, Idalou ISD, Chair; Jeff Adams, Farmersville ISD; Bobby Azam, Andrews ISD; Jo Ann Bludau, Hallettsville ISD; James Brewer, Longview ISD; Kevin Brown, Alamo Heights ISD; Greg Enis, Slidell ISD; Shane Fields, Albany ISD; Steve Flores, Round Rock ISD; LaTonya Goffney, Lufkin ISD; Mark Henry, Cypress Fairbanks ISD; Aaron Hood, Robert Lee ISD; Shannon Holmes, Hardin-Jefferson ISD; Mary Huckabay, Hull-Daisetta ISD; Richard Kilgore, Bruceville-Eddy ISD; Trey Lawrence, Shiner ISD; Cody Moree, Apple Springs ISD; Todd Morrison, Honey Grove ISD; Greg Poole, Barbers Hill ISD; Curtis Rhodes, Needville ISD; Thomas Randle, Lamar Consolidated ISD; Berhl Robertson, Lubbock ISD; Robin Ryan, Grapevine-Colleyville ISD; Gonzalo Salazar, Los Fresnos CISD; Dan Troxell, Leander ISD; Jim Vaszauskas, Mansfield ISD; Karl Vaughn, White Deer ISD; and Kevin Worthy, Royse City ISD.

UIL Staff: Charles Breithaupt, Executive Director; Jeanne Acton; Leo Barnes; Darryl Beasley; Brandy Belk; Kim Carmichael; Mark Cousins; Bree Davis; Susan Doherty; Susan Elza; Arlo Flores; Nakita Guillory; Jamey Harrison; Kate Hector; Hannah Higgins; Kevin Jones; Brad Kent; Jessica Lane; Glenda Muñoz; Luis Muñoz; Brian Polk; Jana Riggins; Chris Schmidt; Elisabeth Sikes; David Stevens; Ed Stidham; George Strickland; David Trussell; Crystal Victorino; Caroline Walls & Eddie Wolski.

Chair Waller called the business meeting of the Legislative Council to order at 8:03 a.m. on Sunday, October 15, 2017. He expressed his appreciation to everyone in attendance at these meetings and stated decisions made always inspire and impact students in academics, music and athletics. Karl Vaughn gave the invocation.

(A) Chair Waller announced that a quorum of the Legislative Council was present.

(B) He announced that the meeting would be conducted in accordance with the UIL *2017-2018 Constitution and Contest Rules*. He appointed Jana Riggins as parliamentarian.

(C) The printed agenda was adopted by consensus. (The lettering and numbering of the paragraphs of the minutes follow the order of the agenda.)

(D) The minutes of the June 13, 2017 meeting were approved by consensus.

At 8:05 a.m. the business meeting was recessed and the Legislative Council proceeded to its public hearing.

Public Hearing (AA - BB)

Chair Waller welcomed everyone in attendance on behalf of the Legislative Council representatives, the UIL staff and the participant schools and member school districts. He asked the council members to introduce themselves.

AA. Scheduled Speakers

Chair Waller asked speakers to limit their remarks to five minutes. He said the meeting was open, questions could be asked, and members of the Council or staff would be recognized to speak. He recognized the following people who made proposals (summarized from oral and written comments) to the Council.

D.W. Rutledge, Texas High School Coaches Association, thanked the council for their service and stated the THSCA had no new proposals but supported the 9th grade football start date and Coach's Certification Process (CCP) proposals.

Sam Tipton, Texas Girls' Coaches Association, thanked the Legislative Council and expressed appreciation for this governing body. He then recognized his board members and expressed appreciation to the UIL for its work with TGCA in developing CCP. TGCA had no new proposals.

Rusty Dowling, Texas High School Athletic Directors Association, thanked the AD's in attendance. Expressed his appreciation to Dr. Breithaupt and Dr. Elza for their participation in the Texas Tour 2017 in which they presented to AD's every week in September and October. He discussed THSADA's new certification program Texas Athletic Administration Certification, TAAC, which curriculum consists of courses that will further validate the ability of the athletic administrator to successfully perform the duties and responsibilities of a secondary athletic administrator in Texas.

Jim Vaszauskas stated he appreciates the program but asked why there wasn't training on Legislative advocacy. Mr. Dowling explained the course was approved by the board in December and will be added.

Rick Sherley, Texas Association of Basketball Coaches, thanked the Council for the opportunity to speak. TABC has no new proposals but stated several coaches are in the process of getting permission to use a shot clock in early season tournaments and would like feedback on how this would affect the game.

Greg Poole asked how many other states use the shot clock in high school games? Rick Sherley stated there are 8 other states who currently use the shot clock.

John Carter, Texas High School Baseball Coaches Association, thanked the council and the UIL for the implantation of pitch count. THSBCA is working on a proposal, to present in the future, pertaining to a pilot program for 6A giving the higher seeded team home field, home team or neutral site advantage.

Stuart Kantor, Texas Track & Field Coaches Association, did not attend.

Mike Waldman, President, Texas Interscholastic Swimming Coaches Association/ Chris Mullen, TISCA thanks the UIL for the additional excitement brought by increasing the number of swimmers at the state meet to 24. TISCA would support adding a 3rd division in swimming and the addition of water polo as a sanctioned sport.

Joey Cantu, Texas Tennis Coaches Association, thanked council, Dr. Susan Elza and Darryl Beasley for the new playoff format. TTCA has no new proposals.

Jim Bob Jackson, Magnolia HS, Texas Golf Coaches Association, proposed a pilot for 4A-6A allowing three teams and the top two individuals, not on an advancing team, from districts to regionals. He believes the regional sites could handle the increase. He thanked the council for the changes they have implemented in golf.

Terry Crawford, Texas Six-man Coaches Association, thanked the council for taking the time to become informed about six-man football issues. Texas Six-man Coaches Association had no new proposals.

Chris Cullen, Denton ISD, TISCA Water Polo, proposed adding water polo as a UIL sanctioned sport. He stated that currently there are 165 schools participating in water polo. Currently they offer profession development for their coaches and last year 3,000 high school games were covered by the referees' organization. Coach Cullen asked what direction water polo needs to take for their next step?

Jonathan Landero, PSJ ISD and Brenda Villa, USA Water Polo, proposed adding water polo as a UIL sanctioned sport. Coach Landero started his water polo program from scratch; there were 12-13 swimmers his first year and in the second year they increased to 30. Brenda Villa explained she played on the boys HS water polo team and went on to play at Stanford. She explained water polo is a lifesaving sport.

Dan Marlin, Midway HS and Cassandra Keating, Cedar Ridge HS student, proposed adding water polo as a UIL sanctioned sport. Coach Marlin stated Midway HS added water polo in 2013. They rent lanes at the Midway YMCA. Their team has become stronger swimmers because of water polo. It was suggested that water polo be a fall sport much like tennis plays in the spring and team tennis is played in the fall. Cassandra stated she now competes in the fall and spring, her leadership opportunities have improved because of water polo.

Dr. Breithaupt asked Coach Marlin to explain what water polo would cost to implement? Coach Marlin stated his team pays for their lanes, and entry fees by selling t-shirts. They try to raise \$3,000. He explained they have 4-5 tournaments prior to regionals and state with four regions.

Cody Moree asked how many divisions they have? Coach Marlin said only 1, regardless of the size of the school.

Joe Linehan, USA Water Polo and Genai Kerr, Olympian, proposed adding water polo as a UIL sanctioned sport. Mr. Linehan said Texas Development is dedicated in assisting TISCA with coach's personal development. Genai Kerr stated that being from California, water polo changed his life. He believes by adding water polo, the participation numbers would spike.

Dr. Breithaupt thanked Genai and Cassandra for coming to speak and congratulated Brenda. He asked if there are 165 girls and boys teams currently participating, as the numbers reported last year were much less. Mr. Linehan said yes, there are 165 boys and girls teams participating and the last time UIL surveyed superintendents 192 voted yes for water polo. Dr. Poole, Chair of the Athletic Standing Committee stated that the number of 192 schools being in favor of adding water polo is a little misleading as there were more than 192 superintendents who voted no on adding water polo. Dr. Harrison agreed, he explained there were 192 yes votes to 259 no votes (57%) in the superintendent survey.

Chair Waller announced there would be a fifteen-minute break. He also congratulated Dr. LaTonya Goffney, Lufkin ISD, for being named Superintendent of the Year in Texas. Congratulations were also given to two other council members who had been nominated Thomas Randle, Lamar Consolidate ISD and Jim Vaszauskas, Mansfield ISD.

Chair Waller called the meeting back to order at 9:20.

Kevin Smotherman, Texas High School Basketball Officials Association; did not attend.

Rich Kendall, Texas Wrestling Officials Association; proposed a fee increase for Texas Wrestling Officials.

Michael Fitch, Texas Association of Sports Officials, stated it was an honor to represent the 15,000 members of TASO. He stated TASO has no new proposals. He thanked Bryan Davis, Bill Theodore, UIL and the Sports Officials Committee (SOC) expressed TASO support on the SOC proposal.

Karen Searles, Texas Dance Educators Association; has implemented the Dance Educators Assessment of Learning (DEAL). TDEA is encouraged by the support of this program with a 37% increase in participation. In 2016 the program was piloted in middle school. Karen stated she is interested in helping develop and implement high school programs.

Dan Mantz, VEX Robotics, thanked the council or implementing robotics. He requested VEX be added to UIL competitions along with First and Best. 18,000 Texas students participated in VEX. Mr. Mantz stated that VEX is affordable to all students and schools, the total cost to start is \$1,500 with a \$300 follow up in future years, VEX robots take no power tools or machines to build.

Dr. Troxell, chair of the academic standing committee, stated academics put a lot of thought and research into adding First & Best competition to Robotics. He asked it parts can only be purchased from

VEX? Dan Mantz explained that parts can be purchased on the website, retail and through Amazon. Dr. Troxell clarified, they must be bought through VEX. Dr. Breithaupt stated it is rather self-serving having a company that only sell their own products. This is one of the reasons UIL went with FIRST and BEST.

Judge Willie Blackmon, did not attend. His proposal to add indoor track and field will be discussed in the Standing Committee on Athletics.

Stephanie Brown, did not attend, her proposal to allow national archery to school curriculum will be discussed in the Standing Committee on Athletics.

Stan Laing, AD, Northside ISD, proposed allowing sports programs in our elementary schools for kids that otherwise could not afford to participate. Mr. Laing stated that youth sports is a 9 billion dollar a year industry. Our schools need to offer opportunities for these elementary and middle school students who can't afford to play club and select sports.

Dr. Breithaupt thanked him for reaching out and stated this is a problem we must address.

April Macias, Magnolia HS, did not attend, her proposal concerning the residency rule will be discussed by the Standing Committee on Policy.

Dr. Terri Mossige, Principal, Paschal High School, proposed classifying 6A football by enrollments to that 6A football programs compete with schools in their area with similar enrollments. She expressed concern over head injuries at Paschal HS. She asked UIL to equalize football for 6A by enrollment, safety and equity and size distribution. She asked UIL to divide 6A football just like 5A.

Dr. Brent Hawkins, Superintendent, Livingston ISD and Sierra D. Fisher, Karczewski | Bradshaw L.L.P., Magnolia HS, withdrew their proposal.

Chris Whorton, did not attend, the proposal will be heard by the Standing Committee on Athletics.

Cheryl Painter, UIL Theatre Advisory Committee, had no proposals but is very excited about the ones they are working on for June.

Tom Westerberg, Athletic Director, Barbers Hill ISD, withdrew his proposal.

Denver Crum, Ed.D., Superintendent, Springlake-Earth ISD, proposed implementation of a playoff bracket for 1A football similar to the format utilized for 1A baseball. This proposal would allow 1A schools to participate in the current 2A Division II football districts but also give them the option to participate in a new 1A 11-man playoff bracket, providing the opportunity to compete against each other in an equitable playoff bracket.

Philip Anthony, Princeton ISD, proposed changes to the Executive Secretary Term Limits. He expressed concern over term limits stating it would diminish expertise. He believes in local control, thinks balances should be rolled forward, and prefers annual audits over term limits.

Dr. Breithaupt explained this topic would be further discussion during the Standing Committee on Music.

Wendy Gumbert, Texas Regional Paralympic Sport, proposed adding adapted track and field events for ambulatory athletes with physical disabilities to the UIL State Track & Field Meet. They proposed adding the events of the 100, 200, long jump, shotput and discuss as pilot events for ambulatory athletes.

Anne Ager, proposed changing the Track and Field Adapted Sport Program from offering only 3 events to athletes with physical disabilities (100, 400, and shotput) to an increased total of 5 events (100, 200, 400, shot put and discus).

BB. Speakers Previously Unscheduled

Chair Waller recognized the following unscheduled speakers.

Brent Fountain, Brush County TASO Chapter, stated his concern with the officials pay changes as the officials' organization is struggling to maintain members. Mr. Fountain understands school budgets but doesn't understand the reduction of money for car trips; Brush Country covers 1,400 square miles. They would appreciate input in coming up with an adjustment for payments.

Dr. Graham Sweeney, Boles ISD, expressed support for VEX robotics. He is thankful for FIRST and BEST being added to robotics; his school has used BEST and he stated it is a wonderful program. He explained VEX is very affordable and sustainable, his school had 6 teams participate in VEX this year. He used the following quote from VEX "Robotics Education & Competition Foundation seeds to increase student interest and involvement in STEM by engaging them in hands-on, sustainable and affordable curriculum-based robotics engineering programs worldwide".

Andy Schaafs, Clear Creek ISD, encouraged growth in robotics in K-12. He suggested including VEX in robotics due to his concern with accessibility in BEST and FIRST. More teams are able to participate in VEX. He can't find enough mentors to run his teams in BEST and FIRST however with VEX, teachers can coach.

Paige Hershey, Spring Branch ISD, has been with Spring Branch ISD for 34 years and expressed her concern with the equity between students of opportunity and students with poverty. Spring Branch ISD has an Advance Movers for Elementary Students but would like to have the flexibility to allow activities/competitions that aren't currently allowed under UIL rules. She agreed with Stan Lange, more needs to be done for students who can't afford to participate on select teams.

Dr. Robin Battershell, Superintendent, Temple ISD, presented opposition concerning Music proposal #2, Section 1102 (f) in the *Constitution and Contest Rules*. She stated she supports F2, F7, F8 F9 and F10 sections of the proposal. F6-Management of Funds: she felt needs to be in keeping with the Generally Accepted Accounting Procedures required for governmental agencies i.e. 2-3 months fund balance. F4-Signature Authority: requiring 2 signatures on all checks, secretaries write hundreds of check each year, largely because of the large number of contests and events with multiple adjudicators, requiring two signatures would delay payments and pre-signing checks isn't a good idea. She suggested checks over a certain dollar amount require two signatures. F3-Term Limits: In a large part, secretaries have operated in the best interests of the districts and the children they serve. She stated she believes in local control with good direction. She stated training would be preferred over term limits on experienced secretaries.

Steven Howard, Ann Richards School for Young Women Leaders, Austin ISD, has the only all women's marching band. Ann Richards was classified as 6A due to UIL's magnet school rule and petitioned to move down to 5A for marching band. He stated Ann Richards School doesn't have the budget to participate against 5A schools. He suggested music magnets be allowed to compete based on enrollment numbers.

Cody Moree asked if Ann Richards participate in any other UIL activities? Mr. Howard answered yes. Dr. Breithaupt asked Mr. Howard if Ann Richards volleyball team won their district championship? Mr. Howard responded yes.

(E) Chair Waller thanked all scheduled and unscheduled speakers, the council enjoyed listening to the proposals and appreciates the passion and the initiative to fight for what you believe in. Chair Waller recessed the public hearing at 10:32 a.m.

Business Meeting (F - K) Continued
F. Standing Committee Meetings

The standing committees convened on Sunday to take action on items presented to the Council. The business meeting of the Legislative Council reconvened at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, October 16, 2017. On behalf of the UIL Chair Waller welcomed everyone. He expressed appreciation for the inspiration and daily impact on students. Chair Waller stated it has been an honor to serve as Legislative Council Chair this past year. He thanked Dr. Breithaupt for his leadership and his unwavering commitment to this organization, and to all UIL staff and council.

G. Old Business

Having none we will move to new business.

H. New Business

1. Committee Reports and Council Action

Dr. Breithaupt welcomed the council and guests and thanked the council members for their wisdom and Chair Waller for his leadership this past year. He expressed appreciation for the excellent presentations that were heard Sunday. Dr. Breithaupt reported that 300 schools were impacted by Hurricane Harvey, three of the Legislative Council members schools sustained damage, Dr. Shannon Holmes, Hardin-Jefferson ISD; Mary Huckabay, Hull-Daisetta ISD and Dr. Thomas Randle, Lamar Consolidated ISD. Dr. Breithaupt stated he is proud of the support UIL gets from the University of Texas and introduced Dr. Jennifer Maedgen, DDCE, Sr. Associate Vice President. He introduced the department directors and staff and expressed his pride in them. Dr. Breithaupt announced he has turned the command over to Dr. Jamey Harrison. Dr. Harrison has done a great job already, the UIL is more efficient and effective in all we do because of his expertise. He has the wisdom and knowledge and Dr. Breithaupt stated Dr. Harrison is devoted to UIL and its activities.

Dr. Breithaupt thanked the Legislative Council, our rule making body, which shapes the future of our organization. The council is supported by all the UIL committees and the State Associations that work with the UIL on a regular basis. UIL has an 11-million-dollar budget, our source of revenue is through memberships dues, cooperate relationships, football playoff games only, some from our basketball playoffs, and our state championship events. Almost 5 million public school students participate in UIL activities, 59% of the students are social economically disadvantaged students. There are 1.5 million high school students in Texas, the UIL has over 2 million contest activity participants in our 1,431 high schools. We have more students participating than students in high school, this is due to students participating in multiple activities. We have 800,000 middle and jr. high school students participating. Dr. Breithaupt quoted Roy Bedichek, UIL's longest serving director, "A game for every child and every child in a game". We understand the value of extra-curricular activities.

Dr. Breithaupt discussed youth sports and the 15-billion-dollar industry it has become. With 59% of our students being social economically disadvantaged, the UIL and the general public need to look at new ways to support these elementary and middle school students. Dr. Breithaupt stated, we can do some great things in the next 109 years, just like we have in the past 109 years.

Chair Waller thanked Dr. Breithaupt and those who waive the UIL banner

(a) Report of the Standing Committee on Academics

Chair Waller recognized Dan Troxell, Chair of the Academic Committee. Dr. Troxell thanked the Academic Standing Committee, recognized the Standing Committee members and thanked Dr. Breithaupt for the leadership, character and integrity he brings to the UIL. He stated it is an honor to work with Dr. David Stevens, UIL Academic Director and said he is thrilled with what the Legislative Council has done with Robotics. Dr. Stevens thanked his staff and congratulated Jeanne Acton on the 2 national awards she received.

Dr. Troxell presented the report of the Standing Committee on Academics.

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACADEMICS
Referred These Items to The Policy Committee**

- a. A proposal to remove pilot status from Copy Editing and add Copy Editing as a UIL sanctioned contest
- b. A proposal to remove pilot status from Robotics and add Robotics as a UIL sanctioned contest

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACADEMICS
Authorized the Staff to Study/Monitor the Following Proposals**

- a. A proposal to modify exceptions to the Sunday Participation Rule
- b. A proposal to add VEX robotics to the UIL Robotics Pilot

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

- a. A proposal to make the structure of Lincoln-Douglas Debate the same as Cross-Examination Debate
- b. A proposal to change the Cross-Examination Debate ballot by defining speaker points as they appear on the UIL Lincoln-Douglas debate ballot

**(b) Report of the
Standing Committee on Music**

Chair Waller recognized Richard Kilgore, Acting Chair of the Standing Committee on Music. Mr. Kilgore thanked Dr. Breithaupt and stated the UIL is in good hands with his leadership. He then thanked Dr. Brad Kent, UIL Music Director. Dr. Kent thanked the committee and reported there are 750,000 students annually enrolled in music activities. He also thanked his staff for their selfless service. He stated the 1A marching band pilot was very positive for our schools and the State Mariachi Festival has been extremely successful and is so important to the Spanish Culture in Texas.

Mr. Kilgore presented the report of the Standing Committee on Music. The Standing Committee on Music voted on and passed the following proposals and took the following actions.

1. The Standing Committee on Music moved and Mark Henry seconded the motion moving 2A area and state marching band advancement from odd numbered years to even numbered years.

Sections 1105(h), 1106(a), and 1107(a) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, effective August 1, 2018, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1105: REGION MARCHING BAND CONTEST

(h) REGION CERTIFICATION TO AREA.

- (1) *Advancement.* Bands will advance to area according to the following schedule:
 - (A) Odd numbered years: Conferences 5A AND 3A. ~~and 2A (Conference A competes in Conference 2A).~~
 - (B) Even numbered years: Conferences 6A, ~~and 4A,~~ AND 2A (CONFERENCE A COMPETES IN CONFERENCE 2A).

Section 1106: AREA MARCHING BAND CONTEST

- (a) CONTEST SCHEDULE. The area marching band contest will be held on the following schedule:
 - (1) *Odd numbered years:* Conferences 5A AND 3A. ~~and 2A (Conference A competes in Conference 2A).~~
 - (2) *Even numbered years:* Conferences 6A, ~~and 4A,~~ AND 2A (CONFERENCE A COMPETES IN CONFERENCE 2A).

Section 1107: STATE MARCHING BAND CONTEST

- (a) CONTEST SCHEDULE. The state marching band contest will be held on the following schedule:
 - (1) *Odd numbered years:* Conferences 5A AND 3A. ~~and 2A (Conference A competes in Conference 2A).~~
 - (2) *Even numbered years:* Conferences 6A, ~~and 4A,~~ AND 2A (CONFERENCE 1A COMPETES IN CONFERENCE 2A).

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

2A schools that advance would incur related expenses in consecutive years, rather than what is currently every other year. However, the expense in consecutive years would only occur once.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Music moved the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Motion passed.

2. The Standing Committee on Music moved and Kevin Brown seconded the motion to amend Subchapter B, Music, Section 1102, *General Regulations*, parts (f) and (g), of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules*. This proposal adds new provisions to Section 1102 regarding various aspects of the work performed by a Music Region Executive Committee including fiscal management, hiring of persons, such as an Executive Secretary, to work on committee business, record keeping, training and reporting requirements.

Section 1102: GENERAL REGULATIONS

- (f) *DUTIES AND CONDUCT OF BUSINESS* OF THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
 - (1) The Region Executive Committee shall be responsible for the region music competition and events as outlined in Subchapter B: Music.
 - (2) *ACCOUNTS.* A MUSIC REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MAY EITHER HAVE A UIL MEMBER SCHOOL THAT IS PART OF THE REGION ACT AS A FISCAL AGENT FOR THE COMMITTEE OR MAY DEPOSIT ITS FUNDS WITH A

FEDERALLY INSURED BANK. THE SCHOOL ACTING AS THE FISCAL AGENT OR THE BANK CHOSEN BY THE COMMITTEE SHALL HOLD FUNDS FOR THE COMMITTEE'S USE AND BENEFIT AND PROVIDE MONTHLY AND ANNUAL STATEMENTS SHOWING ALL FINANCIAL ACTIVITY.

- (3) *EXECUTIVE SECRETARIES.* A REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MAY ONLY CONTRACT FOR SERVICES WITH A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL TO SERVE AS AN EXECUTIVE SECRETARY USING A UIL-APPROVED MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING THAT SETS FORTH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE INDIVIDUAL, THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND THE UIL. AN INCUMBENT EXECUTIVE SECRETARY MUST BE RE-APPOINTED ON AN ANNUAL BASIS BY THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HE OR SHE SERVES. IN NO EVENT SHALL ANY PERSON WHO CONTRACTS TO PERFORM SERVICES FOR A REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BE CONSIDERED AN EMPLOYEE OR TREATED AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, THE UIL OR THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.
- (4) *SIGNATURE AUTHORITY.* ANY BANK OR OTHER FINANCIAL ACCOUNT SHALL REQUIRE DUAL SIGNATURES ON CHECKS OVER AN AMOUNT TO BE DETERMINED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. IN THE CASE OF DUAL SIGNATURES ONE SIGNATURE MUST BE A DESIGNATED UIL MEMBER SCHOOL EMPLOYEE WHO SERVES AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF HIS OR HER SCHOOL ON A MUSIC REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THE SECOND SIGNATURE MAY BE EITHER A DESIGNATED UIL MEMBER SCHOOL EMPLOYEE WHO SERVES AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF HIS OR HER SCHOOL ON A MUSIC REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OR THE REGION EXECUTIVE SECRETARY. CHECKS IN AN AMOUNT THAT ARE UNDER THE DUAL SIGNATURE THRESHOLD AMOUNT ONLY REQUIRE A SINGLE SIGNATURE FROM A DESIGNATED MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE AND/OR, IF AFFIRMATIVELY AUTHORIZED BY THE COMMITTEE, THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY.
- (5) *TRAINING.* ALL MEMBERS OF A MUSIC REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MUST TAKE THE ONLINE TRAINING PROVIDED BY THE UIL, INCLUDING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OPEN MEETING TRAINING. INFORMATION ON REQUIRED COURSES WILL BE POSTED ON THE UIL WEBSITE.
- (6) *MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS.* BY JUNE 30TH EACH EVEN NUMBERED YEAR, THE COMMITTEE'S ACCOUNT SHALL BE SETTLED AS FOLLOWS:
A COMMITTEE MAY NOT RETAIN MORE THAN ~~20%~~ 25% OF THE PRIOR TWO YEARS AVERAGE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES IN AN ACCOUNT HOLDING REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FUNDS. HOWEVER, IN NO EVENT MAY THE RETAINED AMOUNT EXCEED A CAP AMOUNT DETERMINED IN EVEN NUMBERED YEARS BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. AFTER ALL OF THE REGION'S DEBTS HAVE BEEN PAID, ANY REMAINING FUNDS GREATER THAN THE ALLOWED RETENTION AMOUNT SHALL BE EQUITABLY DIVIDED AND DISTRIBUTED AMONGST THE SCHOOLS THAT HAVE PAID FUNDS TO THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DURING THE PRECEDING TWO-YEAR PERIOD. BY JUNE 30TH PRIOR TO THE START OF A NEW UIL MUSIC ALIGNMENT AND AFTER ALL OF THE REGION'S DEBTS HAVE BEEN PAID, ANY SCHOOL THAT WILL NOT REMAIN IN A REGION AND THAT PAID FUNDS TO THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DURING THE ALIGNMENT PERIOD SHALL RECEIVE AN EQUITABLE REFUND FROM

THE REGION'S REMAINING FUNDS. AFTER A UIL MUSIC REALIGNMENT PROCESS IS COMPLETE AND THE MAKEUP OF A REGION HAS BEEN DETERMINED, FUNDS TO FINANCE A REGION'S ACTIVITIES MAY BE ASSESSED TO SCHOOLS THAT MAKE UP A REGION IN THE REGULAR COURSE OF THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S BUSINESS MEETINGS.

- (7) *AUDIT*. AN AUDIT OF A REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FINANCIAL ACCOUNT AND RELATED DOCUMENTATION SHALL BE CONDUCTED ANNUALLY, BY THE UIL MEMBER SCHOOL ACTING AS THE COMMITTEE'S FISCAL AGENT OR, IF THE COMMITTEE'S FUNDS ARE IN A BANK ACCOUNT, BY AN INDEPENDENT AUDITOR HIRED BY THE COMMITTEE. THE RESULTS OF THE AUDIT SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE UIL AS PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORTING SET FORTH IN PART (10), BELOW.
 - (8) *RECORD KEEPING*. EACH REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL MAKE ACCURATE MINUTES OF ALL MEETINGS AND RETAIN ALL NON-FINANCIAL RECORDS FOR NO LESS THAN THREE (3) YEARS AND ALL FINANCIAL RECORDS FOR NO LESS THAN FIVE (5) YEARS. CIRCUMSTANCES, SUCH AS LEGAL ACTION, MAY REQUIRE RECORDS OF THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BE RETAINED LONGER THAN THE MINIMUM PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE. EACH REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL MEET AT LEAST THREE TIMES A YEAR AND PRESENT THE COMMITTEE'S CHECK REGISTRY AND CURRENT BANK STATEMENTS AT EACH MEETING.
 - (9) *ETHICS*. ALL SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES SERVING ON A MUSIC REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND PERSONS WHO OTHERWISE PERFORM WORK ON THE COMMITTEE'S BEHALF SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE CODE OF ETHICS FOR UIL COMMITTEES FOUND IN SECTION 33, *UIL CONSTITUTION AND CONTEST RULES*.
 - (10) *FINANCIAL REPORT*. EACH REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL BY JUNE 30TH OF EACH YEAR SUBMIT A FINANCIAL REPORT TO THE UIL OFFICE ON A FORM APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE CHAIR OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. THE REPORT SHALL CONTAIN INFORMATION SHOWING RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR EACH REGION CONTEST OR EVENT THAT WAS HELD OVER THE COURSE OF THE SCHOOL YEAR ALONG WITH ANY ACCOUNT BALANCES AND OTHER PERTINENT FINANCIAL INFORMATION. THE UIL STAFF SHALL REVIEW ALL SUBMITTED REPORTS, CONDUCTING ANY ANALYSIS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DEEMS APPROPRIATE AND REPORT ANY RELEVANT INFORMATION OR FINDINGS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AT ITS ANNUAL FALL MEETING.
- (g) *DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY AND/OR EVENT CHAIR*. It shall be the duty of the Region Executive Secretary and/or event chair to make all arrangements for region music competitions and events as directed by the Region Executive Committee and in compliance with the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules*. THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CANNOT HIRE OR TREAT ANY PERSON, SUCH AS AN EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OR EVENT CHAIR, AS AN EMPLOYEE AND MAY ONLY HIRE PERSONS TO PERFORM TASKS FOR THE COMMITTEE AS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS.

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

This amendment should not have a significant fiscal impact on member schools.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Music moved the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

The Chair asked for discussion. Following discussion, Kevin Worthy amended the previous motion asking the council to approve not more than 25% of the prior two-year average operating budget expenditures be retained. Karl Vaughn seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
Re- Service as Music Region Executive Secretary

Pursuant to the University Interscholastic League (UIL) *Constitution and Contest Rules*, I, ___(name)___, have agreed to act as the Executive Secretary for Music Region ___ Executive Committee for the ___ school year. The duties of a Music Region Executive Secretary are to make all arrangements for music region competition as directed by a Music Region ___ Executive Committee. I understand that my particular duties could change at any time and that as Executive Secretary I serve at the pleasure of the Music Region ___ Executive Committee. I understand that I may be removed without recourse at any time from this position at the Committee's sole discretion.

Unless relieved of my position at an earlier date, I agree and understand that my service to the Committee as the Executive Secretary will automatically cease one (1) year from the effective date of this memorandum unless affirmatively extended by the Committee on an annual basis. I understand that I am not an employee of the Music Region ___ Executive Committee, the University Interscholastic League or the University of Texas at Austin and am not eligible for any pay or benefits beyond approved compensation I will receive from the Committee as set forth below.

I further agree and understand that the Music Region ___ Executive Committee must approve on an annual basis as part of its regular budget process any compensation I am to receive for my work as Executive Secretary or in any other capacity, such as contest chair, involving UIL music competition. I understand that any compensation approved by the Committee must be documented on a form and in a manner approved the UIL. I acknowledge that in the role of Music Region ___ Executive Secretary I am acting as an independent contractor and that I am solely responsible for any taxes, including social security, health care, withholding, or other financial liabilities that may arise from my receiving compensation from the Committee.

While serving as Executive Secretary, I agree to follow the direction of the Music Region ___ Executive Committee and to abide by the UIL's *Constitution and Contest Rules*. I understand and agree that while serving as Executive Secretary, I must perform all assigned tasks for the benefit of the League and the Committee and must not engage in any activity that is contrary to their interests and thus, I also agree to abide by the UIL Code of Ethics set forth in Section 33 of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules*.

This Memorandum of Understanding is not a contract and I understand it does not grant me any rights as it may be amended or cancelled at any time by UIL. Furthermore, this Memorandum of Understanding does not waive any rights, immunities or defenses that the Region ___ Executive Committee, the UIL or the University of Texas at Austin are otherwise entitled to.

_____(signature)_____(date)_

_____(type/print name)___

____(Committee Chair)_ (date)_

____(type/print name)____

3. The Standing Committee on Music moved and Cody Moree seconded the motion to remove the conference 1A state marching band contest from pilot status and sanction the event in the UIL Constitution & Contest Rules.

Sections 1105(h) and (i), 1106(a) and 1107(a) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, effective August 1, 2018, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1105: REGION MARCHING BAND CONTEST

- (h) REGION CERTIFICATION TO AREA.
 - (1) *Advancement.* Bands will advance to area according to the following schedule:
 - (A) Odd numbered years: Conferences 5A, 3A and 2A (~~Conference A competes in Conference 2A~~).
- (i) REGION CERTIFICATION TO STATE.
 - (1) *ADVANCEMENT.* CONFERENCE 1A BANDS WILL ADVANCE TO STATE IN ODD NUMBERED YEARS.
 - (2) *CERTIFICATION FOR ADVANCEMENT.* ANY CONFERENCE 1A BAND THAT HAS FOLLOWED THE PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED BY THE REGION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO INDICATE TO THE REGION EXECUTIVE SECRETARY THE INTENT TO ADVANCE TO STATE AND THAT RECEIVES A DIVISION I RATING AT THE REGION CONTEST SHALL BE CERTIFIED FOR ADVANCEMENT TO THE STATE CONTEST.

Section 1106: AREA MARCHING BAND CONTEST

- (a) CONTEST SCHEDULE. The area marching band contest will be held on the following schedule:
 - (1) *Odd numbered years:* Conferences 5A, 3A, and 2A (~~Conference A competes in Conference 2A~~).

Section 1107: STATE MARCHING BAND CONTEST

- (a) CONTEST SCHEDULE. The state marching band contest will be held on the following schedule:
 - (1) *Odd numbered years:* Conferences 5A, 3A, and 2A, AND 1A. (~~Conference A competes in Conference 2A~~).

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

Sanctioning this event, rather than continuing it as a pilot program, will have no impact on the schools that have been participating in the pilot. Schools that choose to participate in this event, who have not previously participated, will incur related expenses.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Music moved the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Motion passed.

4. The Standing Committee on Music moved and Curtis Rhodes seconded the motion requiring the judge hiring guidelines for middle school and junior high music events to be consistent with those for high school music events.

Section 1112 of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, effective August 1, 2018, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1112: ADJUDICATION

(a) SELECTION OF JUDGES. The membership roster of the Texas Music Adjudicators Association (TMAA) will be the recommended list of approved judges. The music Region Executive Committee will select three judges from this list subject to the following guidelines.

(1) *List of Judges.* In all ~~high school~~ organization event contests and evaluations (concert, sight-reading, and marching), one judge shall be selected from the recommended list of approved judges, a second judge shall be selected from the recommended or provisional list of approved judges and a third judge may be selected from the recommended or provisional list of approved judges or from other sources approved by the State Director of Music.

~~(2) *Middle School/Junior High School Events.* It is recommended that the high school judge selection process be followed for all middle school and junior high school organization events.~~

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

This amendment should not have a significant fiscal impact on member schools.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Music moved the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON MUSIC
Passed the Following Proposals**

- a. A proposal to move conference 2A to even years in state marching band
- b. A proposal to define region executive committee financial processes
- c. A proposal to remove 1A state marching band from a pilot status and add 1A state marching band as a UIL sanctioned activity.
- d. Proposal to make judge hiring process at middle school events consistent with that of high school events

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

- a. A proposal to remove state mariachi from a pilot status and add state mariachi festival as a UIL sanctioned activity

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON MUSIC
Authorized the Staff to Study the Following Proposal

- a. A proposal to implement marching band pre-participation physicals
- b. A proposal to add field judges to marching band contests
- c. A proposal to amend the start date of the 8-hour rule for marching band

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

- a. Proposal to allow magnet schools in music to compete based on enrollment
- b. Proposal to eliminate full orchestra sight-reading

(c) Report of the
Standing Committee on Athletics

Chair Waller recognized Greg Poole, Chair of the Athletic Committee. Dr. Poole introduced Dr. Susan Elza, UIL Athletic Director and stated we appreciate the perspective she brings. Dr. Elza thanked Dr. Poole stated he is a unique leader and thanked him for his support. She thanked the council and standing committee for all they do. It has been a great honor and privilege to serve in this position. She thanked Dr. Breithaupt and Dr. Harrison for their leadership, thanked her staff and stated we are only as good as our team.

Dr. Poole recognized his fellow committee members and thanked them for their work. He then presented the report of the Standing Committee on Athletics. It was received by the Council, which took the following actions.

1. The Standing Committee on Athletics moved and James Brewer seconded the motion to change the name of the UIL Rules Compliance Program (RCP) to the UIL Coaches Certification Program (CCP).

Section 1202(k) and (l) and Section 1208(h) and (i) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1202: EMPLOYMENT OF COACHES

- (k) UIL ~~RULE COMPLIANCE PROGRAM~~ COACHES CERTIFICATION PROGRAM
 - (1) All coaches shall annually complete the UIL ~~Rules Compliance Program~~ COACHES CERTIFICATION PROGRAM prescribed by the UIL prior to their sport season.
 - (2) The names of coaches who complete the UIL ~~Rules Compliance Program~~ COACHES CERTIFICATION PROGRAM will be kept on file by the school.
- (l) COACHES EDUCATION: All first-year coaches and any coach who is not a full- time employee of the school district (Exception: Coaches who qualify for the exception under Section 1202(a)(3)) must complete a ~~National Federation of State High School Associations~~ UIL approved fundamentals of coaching course prior to their participation as a coach for any UIL member school.

Section 1208: ATHLETIC REGULATIONS

- (h) UIL ~~RULE COMPLIANCE PROGRAM~~ COACHES CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

- (1) All coaches shall annually complete the UIL ~~Rules Compliance Program~~ COACHES CERTIFICATION PROGRAM prescribed by the UIL prior to their sport season.
- (2) The names of coaches who complete the UIL ~~Rules Compliance Program~~ COACHES CERTIFICATION PROGRAM will be kept on file by the school.
- (i) MINIMUM PENALTY FOR MISCONDUCT.
 - (2) Automatic Greater Penalty. If a coach so penalized has no proof of having completed the UIL ~~Rules Compliance Program~~ COACHES CERTIFICATION PROGRAM prior to the sports season, that coach shall also be automatically suspended from the next game/contest.

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

There should be no fiscal impact to member schools.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Athletics moved the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Motion passed.

2. The Standing Committee on Athletics moved and JoAnn Bludau seconded the motion amend Sections 1204(m), Fee Schedule, 1204(n), Travel Reimbursement, 1204(o), Other Allowable Expenses, to implement a flat fee structure.

Section 1204(m), (n) and (o) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1204: SPORTS OFFICIALS

- (m) FLAT Fee Schedule AND TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT
 - (1) THE FLAT FEE SCHEDULE AND TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT, AS APPROVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, SHALL BE POSTED ON THE UIL WEBSITE. (URL)
- ~~(n)~~ (n) OTHER ALLOWABLE EXPENSES.
 - ~~(1) Meals. Schools shall not pay for any meals for officials unless the distance traveled round trip from the official's home to the game site is greater than 150 miles. If meals are paid, the amount is \$15 during the regular season and \$30 during playoffs.~~
 - ~~(2)~~ (1) Lodging. By agreement of the officials and schools, schools may pay lodging.
 - ~~(3)~~ (2) Ground Transportation. If prior agreement exists, schools may pay taxi fare, etc., for officials.

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

This proposal is meant to have a neutral fiscal impact on schools. However, the fee schedule may reduce cost for some schools while increasing cost for others depending what Travel range they use.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Motion passed.

FLAT FEE SCHEDULE AND TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

THE FIRST DOLLAR AMOUNT WITHIN EACH TRAVEL RANGE EQUALS THE OFFICIAL'S FEE PLUS A FLAT RATE FOR TRAVEL PAID FOR THE FIRST GAME OFFICIATED. THE SECOND DOLLAR AMOUNT (BASE GAME FEE) WOULD BE FOR EACH ADDITIONAL GAME THE OFFICIAL WORKS (FIRST GAME FEE + TRAVEL / FEE FOR EACH ADDITIONAL GAME). THE TRAVEL RANGE IS CALCULATED BY DRIVING DISTANCE FROM THE CHAPTER'S CENTER POINT TO THE SCHOOL. EXCEPTION: SCHOOLS THAT PARTICIPATE AT A VENUE IN A DIFFERENT TRAVEL RANGE FROM THE CHAPTER CENTER POINT THAN THEIR SCHOOL ADDRESS, SHALL WORK WITH THE CHAPTER TO DETERMINE WHICH TRAVEL RANGE FEE WILL BE UTILIZED. DISPUTES BETWEEN THE SCHOOL AND CHAPTER SHALL BE SETTLED BY THE UIL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, OR DESIGNEE.

THE UIL WILL DETERMINE THE ONLINE MAPPING SERVICE TO BE USED IN MAKING DISTANCE AND OTHER DETERMINATIONS.

(m) FEE SCHEDULE.

(1) Baseball.

Each Game Per Official.		Travel Range (First Game / Additional Games)			
		(1-30)	(31-60)	(61-90)	(91-120)
Varsity	\$70	\$85 / \$70	\$100 / \$70	\$115 / \$70	\$140 / \$70
Sub-Varsity Option A:	\$60	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
* No Inning starts after 1 hour and 50 minutes.					
Sub-Varsity Option B:	\$70	\$85 / \$70	\$100 / \$70	\$115 / \$70	\$140 / \$70
* Starts an inning after 1 hour and 50 minutes.					
Playoffs:					
Bi-District	\$80	\$95 / \$80	\$110 / \$80	\$125 / \$80	\$150 / \$80
Area	\$90	\$105 / \$90	\$120 / \$90	\$135 / \$90	\$160 / \$90
Quarter-Finals	\$100	\$115 / \$100	\$130 / \$100	\$145 / \$100	\$170 / \$100
Regional Semi-Finals	\$110	\$125 / \$110	\$140 / \$110	\$155 / \$110	\$180 / \$110
Regional Finals	\$120	\$135 / \$120	\$150 / \$120	\$165 / \$120	\$190 / \$120
State Tournament	\$130				
Tournament:					
Varsity	\$70	\$85 / \$70	\$100 / \$70	\$115 / \$70	\$140 / \$70
Sub-Varsity	\$60	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
Time limit of 90 minutes or less	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50

(2) Basketball.

Each Game Per Official.		Travel Range (First Game / Additional Games)			
		(1-30)	(31-60)	(61-90)	(91-120)
Two or Three-Person Crew					
Varsity	\$70	\$85 / \$70	\$100 / \$70	\$115 / \$70	\$140 / \$70
Sub-Varsity	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
Junior High (7th & 8th Grade)					
6 minute quarter	\$35	\$50 / \$35	\$65 / \$35	\$80 / \$35	\$105 / \$35
7 minute quarter	\$40	\$55 / \$40	\$70 / \$40	\$85 / \$40	\$110 / \$40
8 minute quarter	\$45	\$60 / \$45	\$75 / \$45	\$90 / \$45	\$115 / \$45
Playoffs:					
Bi-District	\$75	\$90 / \$75	\$105 / \$75	\$120 / \$75	\$145 / \$75
Area	\$85	\$100 / \$85	\$115 / \$85	\$130 / \$85	\$155 / \$85
Quarter-Finals	\$95	\$110 / \$95	\$125 / \$95	\$140 / \$95	\$165 / \$95
Regional Semi-Finals	\$105	\$120 / \$105	\$135 / \$105	\$150 / \$105	\$175 / \$105
Regional Finals	\$105	\$120 / \$105	\$135 / \$105	\$150 / \$105	\$175 / \$105
State Tournament	\$130				

(3) Football.

Varsity		1 Game	Travel Range (First Game / Additional Games)			
			(1-30)	(31-60)	(61-90)	(91-120)
Gross Gate Receipts						
\$150 to \$250 \$4000	\$60		\$100 / \$85	\$115 / \$85	\$130 / \$85	\$155 / \$85
\$250 to \$500 \$4001-\$5000	\$65		\$105 / \$90	\$120 / \$90	\$135 / \$90	\$160 / \$90

\$500 to \$1,000	\$5001-\$7500	\$70	\$110 / \$95	\$125 / \$95	\$140 / \$95	\$165 / \$95
\$1,000 to \$2,000	\$7501-\$10000	\$75	\$115 / \$100	\$130 / \$100	\$145 / \$100	\$170 / \$100
\$2,000 to \$3,000	\$10001-\$12500	\$80	\$120 / \$105	\$135 / \$105	\$150 / \$105	\$175 / \$105
\$3,000 to \$4,000	\$12500-\$15000	\$85	\$125 / \$110	\$140 / \$110	\$155 / \$110	\$180 / \$110
\$4,000 to \$5,000	\$1501-\$17500	\$90	\$140 / \$125	\$155 / \$125	\$170 / \$125	\$195 / \$125
\$5,000 to \$7,500	\$17501-\$20500	\$95	\$150 / \$135	\$165 / \$135	\$180 / \$135	\$205 / \$135
\$7,500 to \$10,000		\$100				
\$10,000 to \$12,500		\$105				
\$12,500 to \$15,000		\$110				
\$15,000 to \$17,500		\$125				
\$17,500 to \$20,500		\$135				
Each additional \$5,000		\$30	\$30 / \$30	\$30 / \$30	\$30 / \$30	\$30 / \$30

Sub-Varsity and Junior High (7th & 8th Grade)

Each Game Per Official

12-minute quarters	\$55	\$70 / \$55	\$85 / \$55	\$100 / \$55	\$125 / \$55
10-minute quarters	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
8-minute quarters	\$45	\$60 / \$45	\$75 / \$45	\$90 / \$45	\$115 / \$45

(4) Soccer.

Each Game Varsity/Sub-Varsity

Diagonal System – Three Officials

Length of Half	Referee	Travel Range (First Game / Additional Games)			
		(1-30)	(31-60)	(61-90)	(91-120)
25 Minutes	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
35 Minutes	\$60	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
40 Minutes	\$60	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
	AR Total				
25 Minutes	\$35 \$120	\$50 / \$35	\$65 / \$35	\$80 / \$35	\$105 / \$35
35 Minutes	\$40 \$140	\$55 / \$40	\$70 / \$40	\$85 / \$40	\$110 / \$40
40 Minutes	\$40 \$140	\$55 / \$40	\$70 / \$40	\$85 / \$40	\$110 / \$40

Dual System – Two Officials

Length of Half

Length of Half	Referee	Total			
25 Minutes	\$50	\$100	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50
35 Minutes	\$60	\$120	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60
40 Minutes	\$60	\$120	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60

Regionals:

Playoffs:

	Referee				
Bi-district	\$70	\$85 / \$70	\$100 / \$70	\$115 / \$70	\$140 / \$70
Area	\$80	\$95 / \$80	\$110 / \$80	\$125 / \$80	\$150 / \$80
Sectional	\$85	\$100 / \$85	\$115 / \$85	\$130 / \$85	\$155 / \$85
Quarter-Finals	\$100	\$115 / \$100	\$130 / \$100	\$145 / \$100	\$170 / \$100
Regional Semi-Finals	\$125	\$140 / \$125	\$155 / \$125	\$170 / \$125	\$195 / \$125
Regional Finals	\$125	\$140 / \$125	\$155 / \$125	\$170 / \$125	\$195 / \$125
State Tournament	\$130				

	AR Total				
Bi-district	\$60 \$190	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
Area	\$65 \$210	\$80 / \$65	\$95 / \$65	\$110 / \$65	\$135 / \$65
Sectional	\$70 \$225	\$85 / \$70	\$100 / \$70	\$115 / \$70	\$140 / \$70
Quarter-Finals	\$80 \$260	\$95 / \$80	\$110 / \$80	\$125 / \$80	\$150 / \$80
Regional Semi-Finals	\$85 \$295	\$100 / \$85	\$115 / \$85	\$130 / \$85	\$155 / \$85
Regional Finals	\$85 \$295	\$100 / \$85	\$115 / \$85	\$130 / \$85	\$155 / \$85
State Tournament	\$90	\$310			

(5) Softball.

Each Game Per Official.

		Travel Range (First Game / Additional Games)			
		(1-30)	(31-60)	(61-90)	(91-120)
Varsity	\$70	\$85 / \$70	\$100 / \$70	\$115 / \$70	\$140 / \$70
Sub-Varsity Option A	\$60	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60

* No Inning starts after 1 hour and 50 minutes.

Sub-Varsity Option B	\$70	\$85 / \$70	\$100 / \$70	\$115 / \$70	\$140 / \$70
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* Starts an inning after 1 hour and 50 minutes.

Playoff:					
Bi-District	\$80	\$95 / \$80	\$110 / \$80	\$125 / \$80	\$150 / \$80
Area	\$90	\$105 / \$90	\$120 / \$90	\$135 / \$90	\$160 / \$90
Quarter-Finals	\$100	\$115 / \$100	\$130 / \$100	\$145 / \$100	\$170 / \$100
Regional Semi-Finals	\$110	\$125 / \$110	\$140 / \$110	\$155 / \$110	\$180 / \$110
Regional Finals	\$120	\$135 / \$120	\$150 / \$120	\$165 / \$120	\$190 / \$120
State Tournament	\$130				
TOURNAMENT:					
Varsity	\$70	\$85 / \$70	\$100 / \$70	\$115 / \$70	\$140 / \$70
Sub-Varsity	\$60	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
Time limit of 90 minutes or less \$50	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50

(6) Swimming & Diving.

Invitational: Defined as 4 or more teams

Travel Range (First Game / Additional Games)

Number of officials (5) recommended minimum		(1-30)	(31-60)	(61-90)	(91-120)
1-meet referee - diving-per session	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
1-meet referee - swimming-per session	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
1-starter - per session	\$25	\$40 / \$25	\$55 / \$25	\$70 / \$25	\$95 / \$25
2-stroke/turn officials-per session, each	\$25	\$40 / \$25	\$55 / \$25	\$70 / \$25	\$95 / \$25

District:

Number of officials (7) recommended minimum

1-meet referee - diving-per session	\$75	\$90 / \$75	\$105 / \$75	\$120 / \$75	\$145 / \$75
1-meet referee - swimming-per session	\$75	\$90 / \$75	\$105 / \$75	\$120 / \$75	\$145 / \$75
1-starter - per session	\$25	\$40 / \$25	\$55 / \$25	\$70 / \$25	\$95 / \$25
4-stroke/turn officials-per session, each	\$25	\$40 / \$25	\$55 / \$25	\$70 / \$25	\$95 / \$25

Regionals:

Number of officials (10) recommended minimum

1-meet referee - diving-per session	\$100	\$115 / \$100	\$130 / \$100	\$145 / \$100	\$170 / \$100
1-meet referee - swimming-per session	\$100	\$115 / \$100	\$130 / \$100	\$145 / \$100	\$170 / \$100
1-deck referee - per session	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
1-starter - per session	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
2-stroke officials-per session, each	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
4-turn officials-per session, each	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50

Travel:

All other allowable expenses may be paid.

Definition of Officials:

All registered officials who have successfully passed the required UIL tests.

Definition of Meet:

4 or more teams.

Definition of Session:

Any portion of a meet distinctly separated from other portions by locale, time or type of competition, i.e., preliminaries and finals; morning and evening.

(7) Volleyball.

Travel Range (First Game / Additional Games)

Each Match Per Official		(1-30)	(31-60)	(61-90)	(91-120)
Varsity	\$60	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
Line Judges	\$45	\$60 / \$45	\$75 / \$45	\$90 / \$45	\$115 / \$45
Sub-Varsity					
2-Out-of-3	\$40	\$55 / \$40	\$70 / \$40	\$85 / \$40	\$110 / \$40
3-Out-of-5	\$45	\$60 / \$45	\$75 / \$45	\$90 / \$45	\$115 / \$45

Junior High (7th & 8th Grade)	\$35	\$50 / \$35	\$65 / \$35	\$80 / \$35	\$105 / \$35
Junior High Developmental Sets Plus	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15	\$15
Tournaments					
Varsity					
2-Out-of-3	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
3-Out-of-5	\$60	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
Sub-Varsity					
2-Out-of-3	\$40	\$55 / \$40	\$70 / \$40	\$85 / \$40	\$110 / \$40
3-Out-of-5	\$45	\$60 / \$45	\$75 / \$45	\$90 / \$45	\$115 / \$45
Junior High (7th & 8th Grade)	\$35	\$50 / \$35	\$65 / \$35	\$80 / \$35	\$105 / \$35
Pool Play					
Mini Games/ 2 Games 0-15					
Varsity	\$35	\$50 / \$35	\$65 / \$35	\$80 / \$35	\$105 / \$35
Sub-Varsity	\$30	\$45 / \$30	\$60 / \$30	\$75 / \$30	\$100 / \$30
Junior High (7th & 8th Grade)	\$30	\$45 / \$30	\$60 / \$30	\$75 / \$30	\$100 / \$30
Playoffs:					
Bi-District	\$70	\$85 / \$70	\$100 / \$70	\$115 / \$70	\$140 / \$70
Bi-District- Line Judges	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
Area	\$80	\$95 / \$80	\$110 / \$80	\$125 / \$80	\$150 / \$80
Area - Line Judges	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
Quarter-Finals	\$90	\$105 / \$90	\$120 / \$90	\$135 / \$90	\$160 / \$90
Quarter Finals - Line Judges	\$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
Regional Semi-Final	\$100	\$115 / \$100	\$130 / \$100	\$145 / \$100	\$170 / \$100
Regional Semi Final - Line Judges	\$60	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
Regional Finals	\$100	\$115 / \$100	\$130 / \$100	\$145 / \$100	\$170 / \$100
Regional Finals - Line Judges	\$60	\$75 / \$60	\$90 / \$60	\$105 / \$60	\$130 / \$60
State Tournament	\$130				
State Tournament - Lane Judges	\$70				

(8) Wrestling, Boys

Competition	# of Officials	Fee	Travel Range (First Game / Additional Games)			
			(1-30)	(31-60)	(61-90)	(91-120)
Dual Meets	1	\$55	\$70 / \$55	\$85 / \$55	\$100 / \$55	\$125 / \$55
Multiple team duals	as needed	\$45	\$60 / \$45	\$75 / \$45	\$90 / \$45	\$115 / \$45
1-day tournament	*	\$175 each	\$190 / \$175	\$205 / \$175	\$220 / \$175	\$245 / \$175
2-day tournament	*	\$210 each	\$225 / \$210	\$240 / \$210	\$255 / \$210	\$280 / \$210

Girls

Competition	# of Officials	Fee	Travel Range (First Game / Additional Games)			
			(1-30)	(31-60)	(61-90)	(91-120)
Dual Meets	1	< 5 matches/ \$25	\$40 / \$25	\$55 / \$25	\$70 / \$25	\$95 / \$25
		> 5 matches/ \$50	\$65 / \$50	\$80 / \$50	\$95 / \$50	\$120 / \$50
Multiple team duals	as needed	< 5 matches/dual \$20	\$35 / \$20	\$50 / \$20	\$65 / \$20	\$90 / \$20
		> 5 matches/dual \$45	\$60 / \$45	\$75 / \$45	\$90 / \$45	\$115 / \$45
1-day tournament	*	\$90 each	\$105 / \$90	\$120 / \$90	\$135 / \$90	\$160 / \$90
2-day tournament	*	\$125 each	\$140 / \$125	\$155 / \$125	\$170 / \$125	\$195 / \$125

* See chart in Wrestling Manual for and junior high/middle school fees number of officials and jv

Playoffs:

Boys 2-Day Regional	\$250	\$265 / \$250	\$280 / \$250	\$295 / \$250	\$320 / \$250
Girls 2-Day Regional	\$165	\$180 / \$165	\$195 / \$165	\$210 / \$165	\$235 / \$165

~~(a) TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT-~~

~~(1) Officials shall be paid travel reimbursement according to the metro or non-metro plan based on a crew.~~

(1) OVER 120 MILE TRAVEL RANGE GAME FEE & MILEAGE

(A) ALL MEMBERS OF THE OFFICIATING CREW WILL RECEIVE THE BASE GAME FEE. OFFICIALS WILL BE REIMBURSED PORTAL TO PORTAL (ROUND TRIP

TRAVEL) ONE CAR AT STATE RATE, TWO CARS AT 75% OF THE STATE RATE, OR THREE CARS AT 60% OF THE STATE RATE. EXCEPTION: WHEN A SEVEN PERSON CREW IS REQUESTED FOR A FOOTBALL GAME, TWO CARS WILL BE REIMBURSED AT STATE RATE, THREE CARS AT 67% OF STATE RATE, FOUR CARS AT 50% OF STATE RATE, FIVE CARS AT 40%.

(i) OFFICIALS SHALL BE PAID BASED ON THE STATE TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT RATE IN EFFECT ON AUGUST 1 OF THE CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR.

(B) A \$15.00 RIDERS FEE WILL BE PAID FOR CONTESTS OVER THE 120 MILE RANGE.

(C) MEALS WILL BE PAID AT \$15.00 DURING REGULAR SEASON AND \$30.00 DURING PLAYOFFS.

~~(A) Metro flat rate of travel reimbursement from the center point in a local chapter's service area to game site. 30-mile radius = \$15; 40-mile radius = \$18. Any school outside the 40-mile radius shall revert to the non-metro Travel reimbursement for pay from that school.~~

~~(i) The UIL will determine the online mapping service to be used in making distance and other determinations for the metro travel reimbursement plan.~~

~~(B) Non-metro portal to portal (round trip) officials shall be reimbursed one car at the state rate, two cars at 75% of the state rate, or three cars at 60% of the state rate (A \$10 riders fee will only be paid to officials exceeding three person crews and only when three cars are being paid). Consult the UIL website or the sport specific manual for more details.~~

~~(2) Officials shall be paid based on the state Travel reimbursement rate in effect on August 1 of the current school year.~~

~~(3) (2) By prior agreement between officials and school authorities, airfare may be substituted for automobile Travel fee.~~

~~(4) Each chapter of each sport shall select the method of payment for travel reimbursement 30 days prior to the first contest.~~

3. The Standing Committee on Athletics moved and Curtis Rhodes seconded the motion to give the option for 9th grade football players to begin practice on the first Monday in August for all conferences.

Section 1250(b)(5)(B) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1250: FOOTBALL PLAN

(b) DATES AND OFF-SEASON REGULATIONS.

(5) *Fall practice, Beginning Dates.*

(B) In Conferences 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A, AND ALL 9TH GRADERS IN 5A AND 6A, practice shall begin no earlier than first Monday in August. In Conferences 5A and 6A, practice shall begin no earlier than the second Monday in August. Exception: If Conference 5A or 6A schools forego the 18 days of spring training, they may begin workout days the following August as delineated for Conferences 4A, 3A, 2A and 1A. No interschool scrimmages shall be allowed until after a period of at least six days of contact football.

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

There should be no fiscal impact to member schools.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Motion passed.

4. The Standing Committee on Athletics moved and Kevin Worthy seconded the motion to remove the pilot status of the 6A home field advantage in football and add 5A football.

Section 1250(i)(3) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1250: FOOTBALL PLAN

(i) SITE AND DAY OF GAME

- (3) *Playoff Games*. EXCLUDING STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES, unless mutually agreeable otherwise, the place for playing a playoff game shall be determined on a “home and home” basis for the past two football seasons. ~~Exception: State championship game.~~ The team that was the visiting team the last time the two teams met on a home field in a post-district playoff game may require the game be played at its home field. In case of disagreement between two teams who have not played a post-district playoff game during the past two football seasons, the game site shall be decided by a coin toss. A school cannot be required to flip for a playoff site that is not large enough to accommodate the fans from both schools. ~~Exception: As a pilot study~~ In 5A and 6A ~~only~~, for the first round of the playoffs only, the opponent with the higher district finish will determine whether the game is played on its home field or mutually agree to play the game at a neutral site. If the opponents have the same district finish, the two teams will flip a coin or agree on a neutral site.

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

This proposal will have limited to no additional fiscal impact to schools.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Motion passed.

5. The Standing Committee on Athletics moved and Bobby Azam seconded the motion to amendment to the Golf Manual allows for a golfer to have a choice to speed up the pace of play prior to taking an 8th shot.

The UIL Golf Manual would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Official Rules. All matches shall be played under the United States Golf Association rules. Contestants may not use caddies or electric carts during district, regional or state tournaments. A pull cart may be used. Students with disabilities as defined by ADA may apply for a waiver. Contact the UIL office for details.

By district executive committee approval in district play, and in regional and state competition, ~~the player shall pick up the ball and record a score of 9 after the 8th stroke on a hole.~~ AT ANY TIME DURING THE PLAY OF A HOLE, A COMPETITOR MAY PICK UP THE BALL AND RECORD A 9 FOR THAT HOLE IF IT BECOMES APPARENT TO THE PLAYER THAT A SCORE OF LESS THAN 9 IS HIGHLY UNLIKELY.

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

There will be no fiscal impact to member schools.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Motion passed.

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS
Passed the Following Proposals**

- a. A proposal to alter the Rules Compliance Program (RCP)
- b. A proposal to address official's mileage reimbursement and allowable expenses
- c. A proposal to alter the start date for 9th grade football
- d. A proposal to remove the pilot status of the 6A football home field advantage and add 5A
- e. A proposal to amend the golf manual to alter the pace of play

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS
Authorized the Staff to Study the Following Proposal**

- a. Coaching outside of the school year, non-school participation guidelines
- b. Increase the number of games for middle school basketball
- c. Change summer workouts to 24 days for more flexibility
- d. Options for spring training in football
- e. Elementary school athletics
- f. Establish a start date for baseball scrimmages
- g. 6A home field advantage for baseball
- h. 4A and below home field advantage for football
- i. 3 teams from district to regionals in 4A-6A golf
- j. Addition of ambulatory track and field events
- k. Addition of 200 meter and discus to wheelchair track and field

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS
Authorized the Staff to Monitor the Following Proposal**

- a. Penalties for ejections
- b. Foreign exchange student participation oversight

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS
To Survey the Following Proposals**

- a. **Coaching outside of the school year, non-school participation guidelines**

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

- a. **Clarify the use of contact equipment**

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

- a. **Wrestling officials fee increase**

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS
Referred the Following to the Policy Committee**

- a. **Split conference in 6A football on a referendum ballot**
- b. **Addition of water polo as a sanctioned activity**

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

- a. **Allow one varsity team to complete at the district golf meet**
- b. **Addition of a separate 4A and under swimming and diving**
- c. **Allow flexibility in halftime lengths in football games**
- d. **Limit or ban air horns, train or truck horns at outside events**
- e. **Addition of indoor track and field as a sanctioned activity**
- f. **Addition of archery as a sanctioned activity**
- g. **35 second shot clock in basketball**

Chair Waller announced a 10-minute recess. Chair Waller reconvened the council at 10:40.

**(d) Report of the
Standing Committee on Policy**

Chair Waller recognized Shannon Holmes, Chair of the Policy Committee. Dr. Holmes recognized and thanked the members of the Standing Committee on Policy and thanked the council for their leadership. He introduced Dr. Jamey Harrison, UIL Deputy Director, who thanked the Legislative Council on the well run and smooth committee meetings. He reported on the process UIL went through handling the waivers for students who were affected by Hurricane Harvey. These students are attending one school but playing football for their home school. The UIL will work with the schools when their students are allowed to return to their home campuses.

Dr. Holmes presented the report of the Standing Committee on Policy. It was received by the Council, which took the following actions.

1. The Standing Committee on Policy moved and Berhl Robertson seconded the motion to amend Section 28, District Executive Committee, of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules*. This proposal adds new provisions to Section 28 regarding various aspects of the work performed by a District Executive Committee (DEC) including fiscal management, hiring of persons to work on committee business, record keeping, training and reporting requirements. A new part clarifies the role of involved schools during a DEC hearing.

Section 28(e) and (i) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 28: DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- (e) CONDUCT OF BUSINESS. The chair of the District Executive Committee shall direct the work of the committee pursuant to the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules*.

DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES SHALL COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING:

- (1) *ACCOUNTS* – DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES SHALL HAVE A UIL MEMBER SCHOOL THAT IS PART OF THE DISTRICT ACT AS A FISCAL AGENT FOR THE COMMITTEE. THE SCHOOL ACTING AS THE FISCAL AGENT SHALL HOLD FUNDS FOR THE COMMITTEE’S USE AND BENEFIT AND PROVIDE MONTHLY AND ANNUAL STATEMENTS TO THE COMMITTEE SHOWING ALL FINANCIAL ACTIVITY.
- (2) *ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANCE*. SHOULD A DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DECIDE TO HAVE SOMEONE OTHER THAN A MEMBER SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYEE PROVIDE ADMINSTRATIVE ASSISTANCE TO THE COMMITTEE, THE COMMITTEE MAY CONTRACT FOR SERVICES WITH A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL TO SERVE IN AN ADMINISTRATIVE POSITION USING A UIL-APPROVED FORM THAT SETS FORTH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE INDIVIDUAL, THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND THE UIL. IN NO EVENT SHALL ANY PERSON WHO CONTRACTS TO PERFORM SERVICES WITH A DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BE AN EMPLOYEE OR TREATED AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, THE UIL OR THE UNIVERSITY.
- (3) *APPROVAL AUTHORITY*. ONLY A DESIGNATED UIL MEMBER SCHOOL EMPLOYEE WHO IS EMPLOYED AT THE SCHOOL ACTING AS A FISCAL AGENT MAY HAVE APPROVAL AUTHORITY ON A DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACCOUNT.
- (4) *TRAINING*. ALL MEMBERS OF A DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MUST TAKE THE ONLINE TRAINING PROVIDED BY THE UIL, INCLUDING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL’S OPEN MEETING TRAINING. INFORMATION ON REQUIRED COURSES WILL BE POSTED ON THE UIL WEBSITE.
- (5) *MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS*. BY JUNE 30TH OF EACH EVEN NUMBERED YEAR, AN ACCOUNT HOLDING DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FUNDS, SHALL, AFTER ALL OF THE DISTRICT’S DEBTS ARE PAID, BE EQUITABLY DIVIDED AND DISTRIBUTED AMONGST THE SCHOOLS THAT HAVE PAID FUNDS TO THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DURING THE PRECEDING TWO-YEAR PERIOD RESULTING IN A ZERO FUND BALANCE IN THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACCOUNT(S). AFTER EACH BIENNIAL UIL RECLASSIFICATION AND REALIGNMENT PROCESS IS COMPLETE AND THE MAKEUP OF A DISTRICT HAS BEEN DETERMINED, FUNDS TO FINANCE A DISTRICT’S ACTIVITIES MAY BE ASSESSED TO SCHOOLS THAT MAKE UP A DISTRICT IN THE REGULAR COURSE OF THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE’S BUSINESS MEETINGS.
- (6) *AUDIT*. AN AUDIT OF A DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FINANCIAL ACCOUNT AND RELATED DOCUMENTATION SHALL BE CONDUCTED, AT A MINIMUM, EVERY TWO (2) YEARS BY THE UIL MEMBER SCHOOL ACTING AS

THE COMMITTEE'S FISCAL AGENT. THIS AUDIT MAY BE CONDUCTED AS PART OF THE FISCAL AGENT SCHOOL'S OVERALL AUDIT. THE RESULTS OF THE AUDIT SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE UIL AS PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORTING SET FORTH IN PART (N), BELOW.

- (7) *RECORD KEEPING*. EACH DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL MAKE ACCURATE MINUTES OF ALL MEETINGS AND RETAIN ALL NON-FINANCIAL RECORDS FOR NO LESS THAN THREE (3) YEARS AND ALL FINANCIAL RECORDS FOR NO LESS THAN FIVE (5) YEARS. CIRCUMSTANCES, SUCH AS LEGAL ACTION, MAY REQUIRE RECORDS OF THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BE RETAINED LONGER THAN THE MINIMUM PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE.
- (8) *ETHICS*. ALL SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES SERVING ON A DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND PERSONS WHO OTHERWISE PERFORM WORK ON THE COMMITTEE'S BEHALF SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE CODE OF ETHICS FOR UIL COMMITTEES FOUND IN SECTION 33.
- (i) VOTING ON QUESTIONS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE.
 - (1) *Inquiry Concerning Involvement*. Prior to calling for a vote, the chair of the committee shall ask each member if he or she or the member school represented is involved in the question.
 - (2) *Determination of Involvement*. Involvement in a question shall be determined on a factual, case-by-case, basis.
 - (3) *Involved Not Entitled to Vote*. A member of the committee shall not be entitled to vote in a case in which he or she or the member school represented is involved. This includes the representative from the school:
 - (A) that is presenting a formal protest or presenting evidence and argument as an informal protest;
 - (B) that is making a report of violation;
 - (C) that is being charged with a violation;
 - (D) the student in question is leaving; or
 - (E) to which the student in question is changing.
 - (4) SCHOOLS THAT ARE INVOLVED IN A CASE AND NOT ENTITLED TO VOTE ON THE MATTER SHOULD ONLY PARTICIPATE BY PROVIDING WITNESSES AND ACTING AS A SOURCE OF INFORMATION DURING ANY HEARING OR DELIBERATION ON THE CASE IN QUESTION.

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

This amendment should not have a significant fiscal impact on member schools.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Motion passed.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
Re- Service as Administrative Assistant

Pursuant to the University Interscholastic League (UIL) *Constitution and Contest Rules*, I, ___(name)___, have agreed to act as an Administrative Assistant for District ___ Executive Committee. The duties of an Administrative Assistant are to make all arrangements for district (*athletic or academic*) competition as directed by the District ___ Executive Committee. I understand that my particular duties could change at any time and that as Administrative Assistant I serve at the pleasure of the District ___ Executive Committee. I understand that I may be removed without recourse at any time from this position at the Committee's sole discretion.

Unless relieved of my position at an earlier date, I agree and understand that my service to the Committee as the Administrative Assistance will automatically cease at the end of two (2) years. I understand and agree that extensions of service beyond the initial two (2) year period must be approved at a minimum every two (2) years and in no event may my service as Administrative Assistance exceed eight (8) years total. I understand that I am not an employee of the District Executive Committee, the University Interscholastic League or the University of Texas at Austin and am not eligible for any pay or benefits beyond approved compensation I will receive from the Committee as set forth below.

I further agree and understand that the District ___ Executive Committee must approve on an annual basis as part of its regular budget process any compensation I am to receive for my work as Administrative Assistant or in any other capacity, such as contest chair, involving UIL (*academic or athletic*) competition. I understand that any compensation approved by the Committee must be documented on a form and in a manner approved the UIL. I acknowledge that in the role of Administrative Assistant I am acting as an independent contractor and that I am solely responsible for any taxes, including social security, health care, withholding, or other financial liabilities that may arise from my receiving compensation from the Committee.

While serving as Administrative Assistant, I agree to follow the direction of the District ___ Executive Committee and to abide by the UIL's *Constitution and Contest Rules*. I understand and agree that while serving as Administrative Assistant, I must perform all assigned tasks for the benefit of the League and the Committee and must not engage in any activity that is contrary to their interests and thus, I also agree to abide by the UIL Code of Ethics Policy set forth in Section 33 of the *Constitution and Contest Rules*.

This Memorandum of Understanding is not a contract and I understand it does not grant me any rights as it may be amended or cancelled at any time by UIL. Furthermore, this Memorandum of Understanding does not waive any rights, immunities or defenses that a UIL District Executive Committee, the UIL or the University of Texas at Austin are otherwise entitled to.

_____(signature)_____(date)_

_____(type/print name)_

_____(Committee Chair)_ (date)_

_____(type/print name)_

2. The Standing Committee on Policy moved and Karl Vaughn seconded the motion to add a new section to the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules, that contains a Code of Ethics policy that deals with various ethical issues including conflicts of interest that would apply to all persons serving on UIL committees.

Section 33 of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be added as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

SECTION 33: CODE OF ETHICS FOR UIL COMMITTEES

THE UIL ADOPTS THE FOLLOWING CODE OF ETHICS FOR ALL OF ITS COMMITTEES:

I. OVERVIEW

- A. PURSUANT TO SECTION 572.051(C) OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE AND UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN POLICY, THE UNIVERSITY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE (UIL) PROMULGATES THE FOLLOWING ETHICS POLICY.
- B. THIS ETHICS POLICY PRESCRIBES STANDARDS OF CONDUCT FOR ALL PERSONS WHO SERVE ON ANY UIL COMMITTEE OR OTHERWISE PERFORM WORK ON BEHALF OF A UIL COMMITTEE. THIS POLICY DOES NOT APPLY TO UIL EMPLOYEES, WHO ARE COVERED BY UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN POLICIES.
- C. THIS ETHICS POLICY DOES NOT SUPERSEDE ANY APPLICABLE FEDERAL OR TEXAS LAW OR ADMINISTRATIVE RULE. ALL PERSONS WHO SERVE ON UIL COMMITTEES OR OTHERWISE PERFORM WORK ON A UIL COMMITTEE'S BEHALF MUST FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES WITH THIS ETHICS POLICY.
- D. ALL PERSONS WHO SERVE ON UIL COMMITTEES OR OTHERWISE PERFORM WORK ON BEHALF OF A UIL COMMITTEE MUST ABIDE BY ALL APPLICABLE FEDERAL AND TEXAS LAWS, ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, AND THE UIL *CONSTITUTION AND CONTEST RULES*, INCLUDING THIS ETHICS POLICY.
- E. A UIL COMMITTEE MEMBER OR PERSON PERFORMING SERVICES FOR A UIL COMMITTEE WHO VIOLATES ANY PROVISION OF THIS ETHICS POLICY MAY BE REMOVED FROM A COMMITTEE BY THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OR THE STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND IS SUBJECT TO A RANGE OF SANCTIONS SET FORTH IN SECTIONS 27 AND 29 OF THE UIL *CONSTITUTION AND CONTEST RULES*. A PERSON WHO SERVES ON A UIL COMMITTEE OR OTHERWISE PERFORMS WORK ON A UIL COMMITTEE'S BEHALF AND WHO VIOLATES ANY APPLICABLE FEDERAL OR TEXAS LAW OR RULE MAY BE SUBJECT TO CIVIL OR CRIMINAL PENALTIES IN ADDITION TO ANY UIL-RELATED SANCTION.

II. STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

- A. ALL PERSONS WHO SERVE ON UIL COMMITTEES OR OTHERWISE PERFORM WORK ON A UIL COMMITTEE'S BEHALF SHALL NOT:
 - (1) ACCEPT OR SOLICIT ANY GIFT, FAVOR, OR SERVICE THAT MIGHT REASONABLY TEND TO INFLUENCE A PERSON IN THE DISCHARGE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES, OR THAT THE PERSON KNOWS OR SHOULD KNOW IS BEING OFFERED WITH THE INTENT TO INFLUENCE THE PERSON'S OFFICIAL CONDUCT;
 - (2) INTENTIONALLY OR KNOWINGLY SOLICIT, ACCEPT, OR AGREE TO ACCEPT ANY BENEFIT FOR HAVING EXERCISED HIS OR HER OFFICIAL POWERS OR PERFORMED HIS OR HER OFFICIAL DUTIES IN FAVOR OF ANOTHER;
 - (3) DISCLOSE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION, INFORMATION THAT IS

EXCEPTED FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE UNDER THE TEXAS PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT (TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. CH. 552), OR INFORMATION THAT HAS BEEN ORDERED SEALED BY A COURT, THAT WAS ACQUIRED BY REASON OF THE PERSON'S OFFICIAL POSITION, OR ACCEPT EMPLOYMENT, INCLUDING SELF-EMPLOYMENT, OR ENGAGE IN A BUSINESS, CHARITY, NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION, OR PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY THAT THE EMPLOYEE MIGHT REASONABLY EXPECT WOULD REQUIRE OR INDUCE THE EMPLOYEE TO DISCLOSE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION, INFORMATION THAT IS EXCEPTED FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE UNDER THE TEXAS PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT, OR INFORMATION THAT HAS BEEN ORDERED SEALED BY A COURT, THAT WAS ACQUIRED BY REASON OF THE PERSON'S OFFICIAL POSITION;

- (4) ACCEPT EMPLOYMENT, INCLUDING SELF-EMPLOYMENT, OR COMPENSATION OR ENGAGE IN A BUSINESS, CHARITY, NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION, OR PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY THAT COULD REASONABLY BE EXPECTED TO IMPAIR THE EMPLOYEE'S INDEPENDENCE OF JUDGMENT IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE PERSON'S OFFICIAL DUTIES;
- (5) MAKE PERSONAL INVESTMENTS, OR HAVE A PERSONAL OR FINANCIAL INTEREST, THAT COULD REASONABLY BE EXPECTED TO CREATE A SUBSTANTIAL CONFLICT BETWEEN THE PERSON'S PRIVATE INTEREST AND THE PUBLIC INTEREST;
- (6) UTILIZE UIL MEETINGS, EVENTS OR CONTESTS, PROPERTY, FACILITIES, OR EQUIPMENT FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN OFFICIAL UIL BUSINESS, UNLESS SUCH USE IS REASONABLE AND INCIDENTAL AND DOES NOT RESULT IN ANY DIRECT COST TO THE STATE OR UIL, INTERFERE WITH THE PERSON'S OFFICIAL DUTIES, AND INTERFERE WITH UIL FUNCTIONS;
- (7) UTILIZE HIS OR HER OFFICIAL POSITION, OR STATE ISSUED ITEMS, SUCH AS A BADGE, INDICATING SUCH POSITION FOR FINANCIAL GAIN, OBTAINING PRIVILEGES, OR AVOIDING CONSEQUENCES OF ILLEGAL ACTS;
- (8) KNOWINGLY MAKE MISLEADING STATEMENTS, EITHER ORAL OR WRITTEN, OR PROVIDE FALSE INFORMATION, IN THE COURSE OF OFFICIAL UIL BUSINESS; OR
- (9) ENGAGE IN ANY POLITICAL ACTIVITY OR UTILIZE UIL RESOURCES FOR ANY POLITICAL ACTIVITY DURING THE COURSE OF A UIL COMMITTEE MEETING OR WHEN OTHERWISE CONDUCTING UIL-RELATED BUSINESS.

B. ALL PERSONS WHO SERVE ON UIL COMMITTEES OR OTHERWISE PERFORM WORK ON A UIL COMMITTEE'S BEHALF SHALL:

- (1) PERFORM HIS OR HER OFFICIAL DUTIES IN A LAWFUL, PROFESSIONAL, AND ETHICAL MANNER BEFITTING THE STATE AND UIL; AND
- (2) REPORT ANY CONDUCT OR ACTIVITY THAT THE EMPLOYEE BELIEVES TO BE IN VIOLATION OF THIS ETHICS POLICY TO THE APPROPRIATE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OR THE UIL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE).

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

This proposed amendment should have no significant fiscal impact on member schools.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective immediately, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Motion passed.

3. The Standing Committee on Policy moved and Todd Morrison seconded the motion providing clarification as to the Executive Director's authority to evaluate protests or complaints and make referrals to the appropriate UIL committee.

Section 56(a) and (b) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 56: INVESTIGATION OF PROTESTS OR ALLEGATIONS

- (a) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S INVESTIGATION. The Executive Director, OR DESIGNEE, shall INITIALLY REVIEW PROTESTS OR COMPLAINTS THAT ALLEGE VIOLATIONS OF THE UIL *CONSTITUTION AND CONTEST RULES*, UIL MANUALS, HANDBOOKS OR OTHER UIL RULES OR POLICIES AND, USING HIS OR HER PROFESSIONAL JUDGMENT AND DISCRETION, DETERMINE IF A PROTEST OR COMPLAINT SHOULD BE INVESTIGATED AND, UPON COMPLETION OF THE DIRECTOR'S INVESTIGATION, IF THE COMPLAINT OR PROTEST SHOULD BE REFERRED TO AND CONSIDERED BY THE STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OR OTHER APPROPRIATE UIL COMMITTEE. ~~investigate each protest or allegation filed that is within the jurisdiction of the State Executive Committee and report all findings to the appropriate committee.~~
- (b) SUBMISSION OF RECORDS. In response to a request by the State Executive Committee, District Executive Committee or Executive Director, a member school district and its schools shall FULLY COOPERATE WITH THE REQUEST AND submit its records AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION that IS ~~are~~ germane to the protest OR COMPLAINT being investigated.

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

This amendment should have no fiscal impact on UIL member schools.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective immediately, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Motion passed.

4. The Standing Committee on Policy moved and James Brewer seconded the motion removed the pilot status from UIL Spirit and add UIL Spirit as a sanctioned contest.

Section 380: UIL CONTESTS AND PILOT PROGRAMS

The UIL shall conduct:

- (a) *ACADEMIC, MUSIC AND ATHLETIC* ANNUAL CONTESTS, AS FOLLOWS:

(b) OTHER ANNUAL CONTESTS, AS FOLLOWS:

(1) UIL SPIRIT

- (A) SCHOOLS SHALL ABIDE BY RULES IN THE CONSTITUTION, BY RULES IN THE "OFFICIAL NOTICES" COLUMN OF THE LEAGUER, BY REGULATIONS ISSUED FROM THE UIL OFFICE IN THE UIL SPIRIT MANUAL, AND OTHER OFFICIAL NOTICES FROM THE UIL OFFICE. WHERE ANY TERM OR SECTION OF THE CONTEST RULES OR THE UIL SPIRIT MANUAL IS FOUND TO BE INCONSISTENT WITH THE CONSTITUTION, THE CONSTITUTION SHALL PREVAIL AND APPLY, AND THE REMAINING TERMS AND SECTIONS OF THE CONTEST RULES AND/OR THE UIL SPIRIT MANUAL SHALL CONTINUE IN EFFECT.
- (B) ALL CHEER AND SPIRIT PERFORMANCES AT ANY UIL ACTIVITY SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAFETY STANDARDS AS PRESCRIBED BY THE NATIONAL FEDERATION HIGH SCHOOL SPIRIT HANDBOOK. CHEERLEADING AND UIL SPIRIT SPONSORS ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A COURSE REGARDING SAFETY/RISK MINIMIZATION FOR CHEERLEADING AND PRESENT PROOF OF COURSE COMPLETION TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.
- (C) CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT PROTOCOL. AT ALL UIL ACTIVITIES (INCLUDING PRACTICES AND CONTESTS), INCLUDING CHEERLEADING AND UIL SPIRIT, SCHOOLS SHALL IMPLEMENT AND FOLLOW A CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT PROTOCOL AS PRESCRIBED BY TEXAS EDUCATION CODE SECTION 38 SUBCHAPTER D.

(c) ~~(b)~~ PILOT PROGRAM CONTESTS AS PROVIDED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

Schools who choose to participate in this event, who have not previously participated, will incur expenses related to the event.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Motion passed.

5. The Standing Committee on Policy moved and Robin Ryan seconded the motion amending Section 403(f), Eligibility – Athletics, Section 443(f), Changing Schools for Athletic Purposes, and Section 463(a)(2), Application for Waiver put into rule a long-standing principle that in almost every situation, a student who meets the basic eligibility requirements for varsity athletics should have UIL varsity athletics eligibility at a UIL member school. The proposed changes relate to a student returning to their original school after having been found by a District Executive Committee, or the State Executive Committee, to have changed schools for athletic purposes.

Sections 403(f), 443(f) and 463(a)(2) of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 403: ELIGIBILITY - ATHLETICS

- (f) is a resident of the member school district (See Section 442), and a resident of the attendance zone in which the member school being attended is situated,

- (7) A STUDENT WHO HAS ESTABLISHED VARSITY ELIGIBILITY UNDER THIS SECTION AT A MEMBER SCHOOL BUT WHO SUBSEQUENTLY MOVES TO ANOTHER MEMBER SCHOOL ZONE AND IS FOUND TO HAVE MOVED FOR AN IMPERMISSIBLE REASON, REMAINS ELIGIBLE AT THE SCHOOL WHERE ELIGIBILITY WAS FIRST ESTABLISHED WITHOUT THE NEED OF A WAIVER. A STUDENT MUST REENROLL IN THE SCHOOL WHERE ELIGIBILITY WAS PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS OF BEING FOUND INELIGIBLE AT THE SCHOOL THE STUDENT MOVED TO FOR THIS PROVISION TO APPLY. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE MAY INQUIRE INTO SUCH CASES AND MAY MAKE A DETERMINATION REGARDING A STUDENT'S QUALIFICATION FOR THIS EXCEPTION TO THE PARENT RESIDENCE RULE.
- (8) THIS SECTION AND THE RULES CITED HEREIN SHALL BE INTERPRETED AND APPLIED TO THE EXTENT REASONABLY POSSIBLE SO THAT, ABSENT A SPECIFIC SANCTION BARRING ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION, A STUDENT WHO MEETS BASIC VARSITY ATHLETICS ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS SHOULD HAVE UIL VARSITY ATHLETICS ELIGIBILITY AT A UIL MEMBER SCHOOL. THIS IS A GENERAL RULE OF CONSTRUCTION THAT MAY BE IMPACTED BY THE FACTS OF A GIVEN CASE.

Section 443: CHANGING SCHOOLS FOR ATHLETIC PURPOSES

(f) ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION BY DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- (3) If the District Executive Committee where the student now lives finds at any time that the change was made for athletic purposes, it shall declare that student ineligible to participate in athletic contests for one year. This may include a student who did not compete at the previous school. If the committee decides that the period of ineligibility should be longer than one year, the committee shall transfer the case to the State Executive Committee. A STUDENT WHO HAS ESTABLISHED VARSITY ELIGIBILITY UNDER THIS SECTION AT A MEMBER SCHOOL BUT WHO SUBSEQUENTLY ENROLLS IN ANOTHER MEMBER SCHOOL AND IS FOUND TO HAVE CHANGED SCHOOLS FOR ATHLETIC PURPOSES REMAINS ELIGIBLE AT THE SCHOOL WHERE ELIGIBILITY WAS FIRST ESTABLISHED (SEE SECTIONS 403 AND 463).

SECTION 463: APPLICATION FOR WAIVER

(a) WHO MAY APPLY.

(2) *Parent Residence Rule.*

- (A) If a District Executive Committee OR THE STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE finds that a student does not comply with Sections 403 (f) and 442 (residence rules), that student may apply for a waiver of the apparent non-compliance and a declaration of eligibility. **AS AN EXCEPTION:** A STUDENT WHO IS FOUND BY A DEC, OR UPON APPEAL, THE SEC, TO HAVE CHANGED SCHOOLS FOR ATHLETIC PURPOSES OR OTHER IMPERMISSIBLE REASONS MAY RETURN WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER BEING RULED INELIGIBLE TO THE SCHOOL THE STUDENT LEFT WITHOUT NEED OF A PARENT RESIDENCE WAIVER AS LONG AS ALL OTHER ELIGIBILITY RULES ARE SATISFIED. IN CASES WHERE THERE IS A DISPUTE REGARDING THE STUDENT'S QUALIFICATION FOR THIS EXCEPTION, THE EXECUTIVE

DIRECTOR OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE MAY MAKE A DETERMINATION AS TO WHETHER THE STUDENT QUALIFIES.

- (B) A waiver of the residence rule shall be null and void IN REGARDS TO THE SCHOOL THE STUDENT HAS MOVED TO when either the District Executive Committee or the State Executive Committee determines that the student changed schools for athletic purposes.
- (C) If a student who has been granted a waiver returns to the school in the attendance zone where the parents reside, a Previous Athletic Participation Form shall be furnished to the District Executive Committee, who will rule on the student's eligibility at that school.

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

These amendments should have no fiscal impact on member schools.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective immediately, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Motion passed.

6. The Standing Committee on Policy moved and Bobby Azam seconded the motion updating section 442 of the UIL *Constitution and Contest Rules* in relation to custodial placements of students.

Section 442: RESIDENCE IN SCHOOL DISTRICT AND ATTENDANCE ZONE

This section applies to the first calendar year of attendance in grades 9-12. Parent(s) in the context of this rule means parents or adoptive parents who adopted the student prior to the student's first entry in the ninth grade.

- (e) CUSTODIAL. The residence of a student assigned by appropriate authority to a foster home (OR IN KINSHIP PLACEMENT, AS PROVIDED FOR IN CHAPTER 264; SUBCHAPTER K, TEX. FAMILY CODE, IN LIEU OF FOSTER CARE) or a home licensed by the state as a childcare boarding facility, or placed in a home by the Texas DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES, TEXAS JUVENILE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT OR AN EQUIVALENT STATE AGENCY ~~Youth Commission~~, is presumed to be at the home or FACILITY TO WHICH THE STUDENT HAS BEEN PLACED. If a student's parent(s) move the student to a foster home in another school district, the student is not eligible, but may apply for a waiver. THE RESIDENCE OF A STUDENT PLACED IN A HOME OR RESIDENTIAL FACILITY THAT IS AFFILIATED WITH A SPECIAL PURPOSE SCHOOL DISTRICT AS OUTLINED IN SECTION 11.351 OF THE TEXAS EDUCATION CODE IS PRESUMED TO BE AT THE SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT-AFFILIATED HOME OR RESIDENTIAL FACILITY WHERE THE STUDENT IS PLACED.
- (h) MILITARY PARENT(S). A STUDENT WHOSE PARENT IS ACTIVE MILITARY AND RECEIVES A PERMANENT CHANGE OF STATION TO A MILITARY BASE WITH A SPECIAL PURPOSE SCHOOL DISTRICT, OR WHOSE PARENT HAS BEEN RELEASED INTO RETIREMENT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FOR A REASON OTHER THAN A DISHONORABLE DISCHARGE, AND THE STUDENT ENROLLS IN THE SPECIAL PURPOSE SCHOOL DISTRICT ON A MILITARY BASE AT THE STUDENT'S FIRST OPPORTUNITY, IS CONSIDERED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS RULE.

(hg) CRITERIA OF RESIDENCE

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

There would be no financial impact to this rule.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective immediately, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Motion passed.

7. The Standing Committee on Policy moved and Jim Vaszauskas seconded the motion amending Section 1206(c), Regional and State Tournament Competition on Sunday, UIL Constitution and Contest Rules to clarify and expand the UIL Executive Director's authority to offer exceptions for rescheduling regional and state competitions and practices on a case-by-case basis.

- (c) REGIONAL AND STATE ~~TOURNAMENT~~ COMPETITION AND PRACTICES ON SUNDAY. THE UIL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, OR DESIGNEE, MAY GRANT EXCEPTIONS TO SECTION 1206(B) ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS FOR TEAM SPORTS COMPETITIONS AND PRACTICES RELATED TO REGIONAL OR STATE EVENTS WHEN CONDITIONS EXIST THAT WARRANT SUCH AN EXCEPTION. Regional or state tournament directors may reschedule postponed or weather delayed tournaments on Sunday afternoon or evening with prior approval of the tournament director and the participating schools and with prior permission from the UIL ~~Athletic Director~~ EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

There should be no fiscal impact to member schools.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective immediately, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Motion passed.

8. The Standing Committee on Policy moved and Thomas Randle seconded the motion removing Robotics from a pilot status and sanctioning the contest in the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules.

Section 902(k)(3) of the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules would be amended and Section 970 would be added as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 902: GENERAL REGULATIONS

(k) POINTS.

- (3) *Schedule Of Points*. Points shall be awarded on the following basis:

ACADEMIC CONTEST POINTS

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>6th</u>
ROBOTICS*						
TEAM*	20	16	12	10		

SECTION 970: ROBOTICS

(A) THE CONTEST.

(1) *PURPOSE.* ROBOTICS INCORPORATES NUMEROUS STEM COMPONENTS THAT DEVELOP BENEFICIAL KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS FOR STUDENTS, INCLUDING MECHANICAL AND SOFTWARE ENGINEERING, COMPUTER PROGRAMMING AND MATHEMATICS. PARTICIPATION IN ROBOTICS FOSTERS CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION, WHILE TEACHING STUDENTS TO WORK COLLABORATIVELY AND TO THINK CRITICALLY AND ANALYTICALLY.

(2) *FORMAT.* THE CONTEST STRUCTURE SHALL BE AS SPECIFIED IN THE CURRENT *UIL ROBOTICS HANDBOOK*.

(B) ENTRIES. EACH MEMBER SCHOOL SHALL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER CONTESTANTS AS SPECIFIED IN THE CURRENT *UIL ROBOTICS HANDBOOK*.

(C) QUALIFICATION. CRITERIA FOR ADVANCEMENT SHALL BE AS SPECIFIED IN THE CURRENT *UIL ROBOTICS HANDBOOK*. ADVANCING CONTESTANTS SHALL QUALIFY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE UIL ROBOTICS STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS.

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

Sanctioning this event, rather than continuing it as a pilot program, will have no impact on the schools that have been participating in the pilot. Schools that choose to participate in this event, who have not previously participated, will incur related expenses.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Motion passed.

9. The Standing Committee on Policy moved and Jeff Adams seconded the motion removing Copy Editing from a pilot status and sanctioning the contest in the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules*.

Section 902(k)(3) of the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules* would be amended and Section 1028 would be added as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 902: GENERAL REGULATIONS

(k) POINTS.

(3) *Schedule Of Points.* Points shall be awarded on the following basis:

ACADEMIC CONTEST POINTS

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>6th</u>
JOURNALISM						
COPY EDITING	15	12	10	8	6	4

SECTION 1028: COPY EDITING CONTEST

(A) THE CONTEST.

- (1) *PURPOSE.* COPY EDITING TEACHES STUDENT THE VITAL SKILLS OF PROOFREADING TO CREATE ACCURATE, CLEAR AND SUCCINCT WRITING. EMPHASIS IS PLACED ON THE ABILITY TO FIND AND CORRECT GRAMMATICAL, SPELLING, PUNCTUATION, AP STYLE AND FACTUAL ERRORS.
- (2) *FORMAT.* THE CONTEST CONSISTS OF OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS, PROOFREADING SENTENCES AND EDITING A NEWS BRIEF.

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

Sanctioning this event, rather than continuing it as a pilot program, will have no impact on the schools that have been participating in the pilot. Schools that choose to participate in this event, who have not previously participated, will incur related expenses.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Motion passed.

10. The Standing Committee on Policy moved and Kevin Worthy seconded the motion removing the state mariachi festival from pilot status and sanction the event in the UIL *Constitution & Contest Rules*.

Section 1115 would be added to the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules* as follows, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

SECTION 1115: STATE MARIACHI FESTIVAL.

A STATE MARIACHI FESTIVAL WILL BE HELD ANNUALLY. ALL RULES AND PROCEDURES REGARDING THE EVENT SHALL BE FOLLOWED, AS DEFINED IN THE STATE MARIACHI FESTIVAL MANUAL.

D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools

Sanctioning this event, rather than continuing it as a pilot program, will have no impact on the schools that have been participating in the pilot. Schools that choose to participate in this event, who have not previously participated, will incur related expenses.

E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2018, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

Motion passed

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICY

Passed the Following Proposals

- a. A proposal to add new provisions regarding various aspects of work performed by a District Executive Committee
- b. A proposal to add a Code of Ethics policy for all UIL committees
- c. A proposal to clarify the Executive Director's authority to evaluate protests or complaints and make referrals to the appropriate UIL committee
- d. A proposal to remove the pilot status from Spirit and add Spirit as a UIL sanctioned contest
- e. A proposal to alter eligibility rules related to a student deemed to have changed schools for athletic purposes
- f. A proposal to update language to address special purpose school districts and when appropriate authorities place a student in a kinship placement
- g. A proposal to clarify and expand the Executive Director's authority to offer exceptions for rescheduling regional and state competitions and practices on a case-by-case basis
- h. A proposal to add Robotics as a UIL sanctioned contest
- i. A proposal to add Copy Editing as a UIL sanctioned contest
- j. A proposal to add State Mariachi Festival as a UIL sanctioned event

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICY

Authorized the Staff to Survey the Following Proposals in Fall 2018

- a. A proposal to add water polo as a UIL sanctioned contest for 5A and 6A
- b. A proposal for split conference in 6A football

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICY

Authorized the Staff to Continue to Monitor the Following Proposals

- a. A proposal to change the enrollment numbers used for calculation of realignment numbers for high schools, when pertaining to 1A schools
- b. A proposal to concerning 11-man and six-man football divisions and playoff alignment

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICY

Tabled, Rejected or Took No Action on the Following Proposals

- a. A proposal to grant a right of appeal to student athletes affected by transfers who are granted eligibility
- b. A proposal to change the over-age date from September 1 to August 1
- c. A proposal to amend participation eligibility as it pertains to the parent residence rule

I. Election of Officers for 2017-18

Dr. Dan Troxell nominated the following slate of officers for 2017-18: Shannon Holmes as Chairperson; Thomas Randle as First Vice Chair and Curtis Rhodes as Second Vice Chair.

Mark Henry seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

J. Announcements

Chair Waller turned the floor over to Dr. Poole. Dr. Poole and Dr. Henry presented Jim Waller, as chair of the council, with an award. Jim Waller's leadership is a testament to the type of person he is. He is a man you want in your foxhole. He has been an outstanding leader and they thanked him for his service. They believe Jim would agree, serving as chair is one of the most rewarding things you do as a superintendent.

Chair Waller thanked everyone and stated he was touched to be a part of this. It has been an awesome ride. He feels the UIL is the best in the nation and appreciates the fairness and integrity it brings to activities. He thanked everyone for their trust.

K. Adjournment

The meeting recessed at 11:05.

