#### Minutes of The University Interscholastic League Legislative Council Meeting October 19-20, 2014

#### **Business Meeting (A - E)**

The 74<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Legislative Council of the University Interscholastic League convened at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 19, 2014, at the Austin Marriott North Hotel, Round Rock, Texas. The following were present:

- Council Dan Troxell, Kerrville ISD, Chair; Jeff Adams, Farmersville ISD; Jo Ann Bludau, Hallettsville ISD;
  Members: James Brewer, Longview ISD; Walter Dansby, Fort Worth ISD; Robert Dillard, Munday CISD;
  Greg Enis, Slidell ISD; Alton Frailey, Katy ISD; Cliff Gilmore, Aspermont ISD; Linda Henrie,
  Mesquite ISD; Shannon Holmes, Hardin-Jefferson ISD; Mary Huckabay, Hull-Daisetta ISD; Monty
  Hysinger, Clarendon CISD; Robert Jaklich, Victoria ISD; J.D. Kennedy, McKinney ISD; Richard
  Kilgore, Bruceville-Eddy ISD; Trey Lawrence, Shiner ISD; Joey Light, Abilene Wylie ISD; Russell
  Marshall, Mabank ISD; Cody Moree, Apple Springs ISD; Todd Morrison, Honey Grove ISD;
  Johnny Pineda, Raymondville ISD; Greg Poole, Barbers Hill ISD; Thomas Randle, Lamar
  Consolidated ISD; Alfred Ray, Duncanville ISD; Curtis Rhodes, Needville ISD; Gonzalo Salazar,
  Los Fresnos CISD; Rod Schroder, Amarillo ISD; Jim Waller, Idalou ISD and Kay Waggoner,
  Richardson ISD.
- UIL Staff: Charles Breithaupt, Executive Director; Jeanne Acton; Leo Barnes; Darryl Beasley; Peter Contreras; Mark Cousins; Susan Doherty; Arlo Flores; Richard Floyd; Jamey Harrison; Kate Hector; Hanna Higgins; Kevin Jones; Brad Kent; Heather Kieffer; Becca Kinz; Jessica Lane; Luis Muñoz; Traci Neely; Rebecca Quinlan; Jana Riggins; Chris Schmidt; Elisabeth Sikes; David Stevens; Ed Stidham; George Strickland; David Trussell; Caroline Walls & Eddie Wolski.

Chairman Troxell called the business meeting of the 74<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Legislative Council to order at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 19, 2014. Jim Waller gave the invocation.

(A) Chairman Troxell announced that a quorum of the Legislative Council was present.

(B) He announced that the meeting would be conducted in accordance with the UIL 2014-2015 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 10, 2014 meeting were approved by consensus.

At 8:10 a.m. the business meeting was recessed and the Legislative Council proceeded to its public hearing.

#### **Public Hearing (AA - BB)**

Chairman Troxell welcomed everyone in attendance on behalf of the Legislative Council representatives, the UIL staff and the participant schools and member school districts. He then asked the council members to introduce themselves. Chairman Troxell stated that serving on this council is one of the most rewarding things we do.

#### AA. Scheduled Speakers

Chairman Troxell 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 Legislative Council for the time and effort they spend serving on the UIL and expressed understanding with the tough decisions the council must make. THSCA had no new proposals to present.

**Sam Tipton, Texas Girls' Coaches Association,** thanked the Legislative Council for the opportunity to stand before them. On October 13, 2014 TGCA was granted by TEA a Continuing Professional Education (CPE) number. Athletic and cheer coaches attending the TGCA summer clinic and/or satellite clinics will have the opportunity to receive professional and staff development credit hours at the discretion of their local districts. TGCA had no new proposals.

**Rusty Dowling, Texas High School Athletic Directors Association,** THSADA is proud of the relationships they have with other organization and the UIL. THSADA had no new proposals.

**Rick Sherley, Texas Association of Basketball Coaches**, expressed to UIL the gratitude of basketball coaches across the state for moving the basketball tournament to San Antonio. TABC had no proposals. However at the appropriate time, they would appreciate the return of the 2 games/tournament that was taken away last year.

**John Carter, Texas High School Baseball Coaches Association,** thanked the council for all they do and stated THSBCA had no proposals. THSBCA would like the council to reconsider the double elimination tournament for 6A baseball. THSBCA asked the council to consider giving the 2 games/tournament back, playing five games in an early season tournaments is difficult on pitchers arms. THSBCA appreciates the UIL.

**Stuart Kantor & Steve McBride, Texas Track & Field Coaches Association,** proposed track and field runners of middle distances be allowed to compete in three individual races, selecting from the 400, 800, 1,600 and 3,200 as opposed to the current limit of two individual races. Seventy-six percent of coaches are in favor of this rule change. Steve McBride proposed that Texas adopt the sport of javelin. This would allow for a third field event for throwers. It was suggested that this be implemented over a two-year period allowing Coaches to learn the rules of javelin. The javelins would be rubber tipped.

Cody Huckabay, Texas Interscholastic Swimming Coaches Association, restated the proposal they brought in June, increase the number of qualifiers to the state swimming and diving meet from 16 to 24 in each event.

**Bob Bryant, President, Texas Music Administrators Association,** has concerns with the Spirit Competition, infringing on students time, financial implications, removal of all components except for cheerleaders and the integrity, structure, rules and requirements.

**Daniel Marshall, President, Texas Tennis Coaches Association,** support the two proposals that were brought in June: proposed changing the format on the area team tennis tournament to exclude the area championship and third place matches. Proposed changing the format of both singles and doubles, Team Tennis only, to a "10 point tiebreaker" in lieu of a 3<sup>rd</sup> place set.

**Jerry Crumpton, Texas Golf Coaches Association,** thank you for allowing me to be here and speak. We have no new proposals but ask that you research the following, rotating golf tournaments in Austin, Dallas/Fort Worth, San Antonio and Houston. Golf courses change throughout the state, always playing in Austin gives a home course advantage.

Randall Ballew, Vice President, Texas Six-man Coaches Association, no new proposals. Last year was an outstanding year.

Michael Fitch, Texas Association of Sports Officials, thank you to Legislative Council and the UIL staff. Thank you for the appointment of Ed Stidham as the Interim Director of Officials, for the implementation of the State Officials Committee.

Roddy Adams, Golf Coach, Denton Guyer, requested the reinstatement of tournaments, concern with students leaving their high school teams and playing Texas Jr. Golf Tour in order to play more golf.

**Drucilla Owenby**, proposed that students be allowed to make up a missed activity occurring outside the school day without penalty.

**Charlotte Glenn,** proposed the additional accommodations for cheerleading and sport specific training, rather than the concussion, CPR, emergency plan training with ACA's list of prohibited and allowed stunts, which is now given.

Holly Lyons, Texas Dance Educators Association, proposed that "dance squad" be taken off the cheer pilot competition model.

Anne Woolweaver, proposed adopting water polo as a UIL Sport. A total of 122 teams play water polo in Texas.

Brian Walls, proposed adding Swimming and Diving officials fee schedule to Section 1204 of the Constitution and Contest Rules.

Stephen McDonald, Lamar High School, proposed adding Water Polo as a UIL sanctioned sport.

Jodie Bruner-Rea, President, Plano Wildcat Hockey, proposed adding Ice Hockey as a UIL sport. More than 50 schools, representing more than 1,200 students play ice hockey. Problems that would be resolved: use of current high school facilities; a high school faculty member to "sponsor" teams; PE credits and players being recruited.

Phillip Guardiola, didn't attend, asked the UIL to allow males to play on female teams.

Janwin Overstreet-Goode, TMEA & Friendswood HS Choir Director, represents several music and band organizations, have the highest quality music association in the US, 600 thousand students pass through music class each day, has served us well for 31 years.

**Chris Cullen, Denton ISD,** proposed adding water polo as a sport. Texas would be the  $2^{nd}$  in student participation in water polo in the country if the sport is adopted.

**Michael Sullivan/Martha Dorow, Special Olympics Texas,** South Texas Special Olympics is the largest in the US and second only to China internationally. Asked Council to revisit proposal to consider adding Unified Sports as a UIL sponsored sport, currently have 160 active campuses, changed campus culture. Terrie Parker, Life Skills Teacher at Little Cypress-Mauriceville said, "Unified Sports has changed our campus culture in ways we never imagined. Our students with disabilities are known by name. They are part of the campus and have ownership in our school". As a teacher, I see the difference Unified Sports makes on our campus."

**Joe Linehan and Russ Reys,** US Water Polo proposed adding Water Polo as a UIL sanctioned sport. Representing one's high school through sport can have an immense and lasting impact on a student athlete's life, providing a sense of school pride, a safe place to belong and strong emotional bonds with teammates and coaches. USA Water Polo is prepared to help with the transition from club to an UIL recognized sport.

Brenda Villa, proposed water polo be added as a UIL sport.

**Rebekah Bland, Aspermont ISD,** asked the UIL to establish a new conference (1A) for volleyball. There are 98 1A volleyball teams playing in 2A.

Scott Rippetoe, implement a statewide pilot program for robotics and asked the UIL to support all robotics groups.

**Cari Martin, Teague HS,** asked that weather provisions or alternate dates be set in place when bands attend the UIL Area Marching Contest at the Area finalist level.

Norman Morgan, Westlake HS, asked the UIL to research and pilot a robotics implementation program that is inclusive.

Marcus Evan, Huntsville ISD, on behalf of Jim Bob Jackson, asked the Legislative Council to restore the 8<sup>th</sup> tournament that was taken away, to the golf schedule. Financially, it's time to restore the tournament.

Luis Medina, Clear Creek ISD, asked the council to implement a statewide pilot program for robotics. There are thousands of Texas students, ranging from elementary to secondary already participating in robotics programs, please find what is equitable for all students in Texas.

**Lonny Stern, Skill Point Alliance**, asked the council to implement a statewide pilot program for FIRST robotics. A partnership with FIRST robotics would greatly expand access to the world-class robotics programs.

#### **BB. Speakers Previously Unscheduled**

Chairman Troxell recognized the following unscheduled speakers.

**Dr. Sandra Melendez** proposed the council consider VEX robotics as a viable program option to the robotics program.

Greg Young, requests the UIL not exclusively go with one robotics company while excluding others.

**Jason Merrell,** requests the UIL implement a statewide pilot program for robotics education, making it inclusive for all schools. Please support all programs and work with all groups across the country as no program on the market is a one-size-fits-all.

Kenneth Berry, President of Board of Directors, BEST, requests that the UIL doesn't default to a single program for Robotics. Let all "Athletes of the Mind" compete in these competitions.

**Troy Parton, Paducah ISD**, asked the council to create a 1A conference for girls' volleyball division for the 2015-16 school year.

**Marcus Evan, Huntsville Golf**, requests a 3<sup>rd</sup> playoff team be added from each district to regionals. This would advance the top 16 boys teams and 16 girls teams, which would total 192 players. Golf is the only sport that currently sends on the top 2 teams.

Scott Zolinski, Northside ISD, asked the UIL add water polo as a sanctioned sport. Eleven schools play water polo prior to swim season. Coaches of the teams who don't do well are criticized. Please move swimming and diving to the fall.

**Ray Almgren, Vice President, National Instruments,** appreciates the consideration of robotics as a pilot program. There is a large gap between the number of schools who participate in robotics and the number of schools in Texas. FIRST is proud of the programs we have and wants to see UIL move forward with the pilot program.

Audrey Herold, Pflugerville ISD, asked the UIL to move Saturday events to Sundays so that Jewish students don't have to miss events that are scheduled on Jewish Holidays.

(E) Chairman Troxell recessed the public hearing at 11:15 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 20, 2014.

#### G. Old Business

Executive Director's Report. Charles Breithaupt, Executive Director, expressed appreciation for the work of the Legislative Council members and the chairs of the Standing Committees in the 74<sup>th</sup> meeting of this council. He

thanked them for hearing the proposals yesterday and for representing more than 1400 High Schools, Junior Highs and Middle Schools.

Dr. Breithaupt stated most students don't get the opportunity to participate in UIL State Championships, it is important for every student in Texas schools to be involved in an organization and feel they belong. Our superintendents make UIL rules and always put the students first. He discussed many issues the UIL and our schools may face in the upcoming future: State Championship venues, what constitutes a bona fide state championship, advocacy groups, health and safety of our students and Ebola, to name a few.

Dr. Breithaupt stated the Sunset Commission completed an exhaustive review of the UIL over a nine-month period. They recommended three statutory changes. The first, a change in statute to clarify UIL as a state agency within UT; the second change in statute is to abolish the Interscholastic League Advisory Council and the third change in statute was to discontinue the statewide steroid testing program. Several management recommendations including a rewrite of the C&CR, improving our budget process and establish guidelines for district, state and waiver hearings. The UIL is better because of the recommendations they made.

Chairman Troxell stated UIL leadership is required. The steady hand moves us forward.

# <u>H. New Business</u> <u>1. Committee Reports and Council Action</u> (A) Standing Committee on Academics

Chairman Troxell asked Dr. Poole to step in as acting chair. Dr. Poole recognized Dan Troxell, Chair of the Academic Committee. Dr. Troxell thanked the Academic Standing Committee and stated it is an honor to work with Dr. David Stevens. He then introduced Dr. Stevens, UIL Academic Director, who introduced his staff and gave a brief overview of developments in the area of academics.

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

1. The Standing Committee on Academics moved and Robert Dillard seconded the motion to allow schools that violate rules listed under 1033(c)(2) to receive individual acting awards and require that they attend the critique.

Section 1033 (c) (2) of the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules would be amended as follows effective August 1, 2015, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1033: ONE-ACT PLAY CONTEST

## (c): CONTEST PLAY SELECTION AND ELIGIBILITY

(2) Contest Play Eligibility. The contest manager is required to declare ineligible **FOR ADVANCEMENT OR RANKING** a play that violates Section 1033 (c) (2) (C), (D) (i and ii) H, I and J. No play, which is declared ineligible by the contest manager, shall be included in final ranking or be considered for any honors, and members of the company of anineligible play shall not be given individual awards. Violations of any other rules shall be reported to the appropriate Executive Committee.

## D. <u>Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools</u>

No impact

### E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Academics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2015, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

#### Motion passed unanimously.

**2.** The Standing Committee on Academics moved and Linda Henrie seconded the motion to add an additional tiebreaker in the high school individual speaking events. This would apply to Prose and Poetry Interpretation, Informative and Persuasive Speaking contests.

Section 1003 (b) (4) (B), (G), and (H) of the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules would be amended as follows effective August 1, 2015, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

### (b) GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

(4) Ranking the Contestants.

- (B) In the case of panel judging, the following criteria, in the following order, shall be used to determine all ranks....
  - (vi) If after converting to decimal values two contestants remain tied with equal sums of decimal values, this tie shall be broken by judges' preference.
  - (vii) Should a tie among three or more contestants occur which cannot be broken by these methods, it shall be broken by a blind draw, except for state finals. IF, AT THIS POINT, CONTESTANTS REMAIN TIED, THE SUM OF THE RANKS OF ALL TOURNAMENT BALLOTS IN THE CONTEST EVENT OF THE TIED CONTESTANTS, INCLUDING PRELIMINARY ROUNDS, SHALL BE TAKEN. THE CONTESTANT WITH THE LOWEST SUM SHALL BE PLACED HIGHER.
  - (viii)The order of this procedure shall be followed to determine all ranks. When determining second place, a majority of second place ranks OR BETTER is the firstcriterion. When determining third place, a majority of third place ranks OR BETTER is the first criterion, etc. SHOULD A TIE AMONG THREE OR MORE CONTESTANTS OCCUR WHICH CANNOT BE BROKEN BY THESE METHODS, IT SHALL BE BROKEN BY A BLIND DRAW, EXCEPT FOR STATE FINALS.

(G) If, at this point, a tie still exists among three or more contestants whose decimal value of ranks is equal, the tie shall be broken by a blind drawn, except at state finals. The following example illustrates a tie among three contestants which shall be broken by a blind draw.

All three contestants shall be awarded ranks by a blind draw before any other contestant or place is considered. Pints shall be divided equally in accordance with Section 902. CONTESTANTS REMAIN TIED, THE SUM OF ALL TOURNAMENT BALLOTS IN THE CONTEST EVENT OF THE TIED CONTESTANTS, INCLUDING PRELIMINARY ROUNDS, SHALL BE TAKEN. THE CONTESTANT WITH THE LOWEST SUM SHALL BE PLACED HIGHER.

(H) Contestants who are disqualified receive no place and no points. IF, AT THIS POINT, SHOULD A TIE STILL EXIST THAT CANNOT BE BROKEN BY THESE METHODS, THE TIE SHALL BE BROKEN BY A BLIND DRAWN, EXCEPT AT STATE FINALS. ALL TIED CONTESTANTS SHALL BE AWARDED RANKS BY A BLIND DRAW BEFORE ANY OTHER CONTESTANT OR PLACE IS CONSIDERED. POINTS SHALL BE DIVIDED EQUALLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 902.

(I) CONTESTANTS WHO ARE DISQUALIFIED RECEIVE NO PLACE AND NO POINTS.

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

There is no fiscal impact to schools related to this proposal.

#### E. <u>Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date</u>

The Standing Committee on Academics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2015, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

#### Motion passed unanimously.

**3.** The Standing Committee on Academics moved and Johnny Pineda seconded the motion to eliminate the speaker at the state level for the Feature Writing Contest.

Section 1024 (e) of the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules would be amended as follows effective August 1, 2015, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1024: Feature Writing Contest

(e) STATE MEET CONTEST. At the State Meet level only, feature writing contestants shall be given a biographical sketch of a person who then will be interviewed by the contestants as a group. The live interview will last 30 minutes. The contestants then will have one hour in which to develop their stories from the information in the biographical sketch and from the interview.

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

None.

### E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Academics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2015, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

### Motion passed unanimously.

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

- a. Proposal to authorize development of a pilot robotics competition.
- Proposal to authorize development and pilot testing for 2nd grade and 7th/8th grade versions of the A+ Music Memory contest.
- c. Proposal to authorize development and pilot testing of a computer science event for A+ Academics.
- d. Proposal to authorize development of a copy-editing contest as a pilot program.

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

a. Proposal to add an investment competition.

### THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACADEMICS Authorized the Staff to Reject the Following Proposals

a. Proposal that regional meets should be required to hold a semifinal round with 17 or more contestants in all of the speaking events.

### THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACADEMICS MOVED Asks the Council to Place the Proposal on a Referendum Ballot

a. Proposal to allow schools in conferences A and 2A to utilize students enrolled in grade 8 for One-Act Play.

Cody Moree seconded.

#### Motion passed unanimously.

Acting Chairman Poole asked if any member of the Council wished to present any other academic related proposals. There being none Chairman Poole thanked Dan Troxell and the other members of the Academic Committee for the report.

# (B) Standing Committee on Music

Chairman Troxell recognized Linda Henrie, Chair of the Music Committee. Dr. Henrie stated she is pleased to serve as chair and then introduced the Standing Committee on Music members. She then introduced Dr. Brad Kent, UIL Music Director and thanked Brad Kent for continuing the excellence of the UIL Music Department. Dr. Kent recognized his staff and reported on the UIL music department.

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

1. The Standing Committee on Music moved and Jo Ann Bludau seconded the motion extending to students in 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade who are taking class piano the opportunity to enter a Class 3 Piano Solo at the Region Solo and Ensemble Contest.

Section 1108 of the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules would be amended as follows, effective August 1, 2014, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1108 (e)(3) : SOLO AND SMALL ENSEMBLE COMPETITION

(3) Class 3. Class 3 solo-small ensemble competition may be entered by students in grade 9 only. ANY STUDENT WHO HAS NOT PREVIOUSLY EARNED A DIVISION I RATING IN CLASS 1 OR 2 COMPETITION. SELECTIONS TO BE PERFORMED SHALL BE TAKEN FROM THE LISTS PRESCRIBED FOR CLASS 3 COMPETITION. Exceptions:

(A) Composite organizations (4A, 3A, 2A and A) CONTAINING students in grades 7 THROUGH 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, may enter Class 3 small ensemble competition; provided 50% or more of the ensemble members are in grade 9 or below; and

(B) 10th grade first year music students; and

(C) Instrumentalists performing on a secondary instrument may enter Class 3 solo competition.; AND (D) 11<sup>TH</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students who are enrolled in class piano.

D. <u>Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools</u>

None

## Motion passed unanimously.

**2.** The Standing Committee on Music moved and Walter Dansby seconded the motion to modify and standardize the procedure for announcing each marching band at the region, area and state marching band contests.

Section 1105 of the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules would be amended as follows, effective August 1, 2015, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

## Section 1105 (g) PERFORMANCE REGULATIONS AND GUIDELINES:

- (3) Official Time. The official time for each band will be kept according to the following guidelines:
  - (A) The contest chair will designate an official timekeeper.
  - (B) Bands will be scheduled with five minutes between performances and a maximum of fifteen minutes per band.
  - (C) Bands may use the five minutes prior to their performance in any way they deem appropriate in order to assume their starting position and prepare for the beginning of their show. Activities may include warm-up and/or cadence.
  - (D) Each band will be announced WITH 45 SECONDS REMAINING ON THE 5-MINUTE CLOCK. at the end of four minutes. The beginning of their announcement will indicate that the performance time shall begin with in 60 45 seconds.
  - (E) The actual timing AND ADJUDICATION for the show will begin at a starting point designated by the director or at the end of the five minutes.
  - (F) At the conclusion of its performance THE POST SCRIPT WILL BE READ WHILE each band will have two minutes to exit the field and clear the marching surface of all equipment, instruments and props. The use of either instrumental or verbal cadence is optional. A band that fails to be clear of the field (outside the sidelines or endlines) or continues to use instrumental or verbal cadence at the end of the two minutes will be disqualified.

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

None.

## E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Music moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment to be effective August 1, 2015, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

## Motion passed unanimously.

**3.** The Standing Committee on Music moved and Thomas Randle seconded the motion to modify the formula used to determine the number of bands advancing from the Area Marching Band Contest to the State Marching Band Contest.

Section 1106 of the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules would be amended as follows, effective August 1, 2015, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1106 (j)

## (j) Area Certification to State

- (4) 2A/3A/4A Certification. In conferences 2A/3A/4A the music area shall certify the three bands receiving the highest ranking in each conference to the state marching band contest. Should twenty or more bands QUALIFY FOR ADVANCEMENT participate in a single conference at FOR the area contest, one band for each five bands THAT QUALIFIED FOR ADVANCEMENT competing in to the contest shall be certified for advancement to the state contest.
- (5) 5A/6A Certification. In conferences 5A/6A the music area shall certify the two bands receiving the highest ranking in each conference to the state marching band contest. Should fifteen or more bands QUALIFY FOR ADVANCEMENT participate in a single conference at FOR the area contest, one band for each five

bands THAT QUALIFIED FOR ADVANCEMENT competing in TO the contest shall be certified for advancement to the state contest.

# D. <u>Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools</u>

Any fiscal impact would only be realized by the additional schools advancing and only in travel related to the competition.

# E. <u>Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date</u>

The Standing Committee on Music moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment to be effective August 1, 2015, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

### Motion passed unanimously.

4. The Standing Committee on Music moved and Shannon Holmes seconded the motion to clarify that a generator or DC power source may be placed on the field to provide power to electronic equipment.

Section 1105 of the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules would be amended as follows, effective August 1, 2015, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1105 (g) (5)

(5) Amplification of instruments or voice may be used with the following restrictions:

(B) AC power cords and AC supplied amplification units shall be located outside the sidelines and endlines.
(C) A POWER GENERATOR OR DC POWER SOURCE MAY BE PLACED ON THE FIELD, PROVIDED THERE IS A PROTECTIVE BARRIER BETWEEN THE POWER UNIT AND THE TURF AND ALL CORDS ARE CONTAINED SAFELY WITHIN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE EQUIPMENT THAT IS BEING SUPPLIED WITH POWER.

## D. <u>Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools</u>

None.

## E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Music moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment to be effective August 1, 2015, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

## Motion passed unanimously.

**5.** The Standing Committee on Music moved and Kay Waggoner seconded the motion to increase adjudicator honorariums for organization events from a maximum of \$250 per day to a maximum of \$300 per day and increase overtime from \$50 to \$60 for each hour over a scheduled eight-hour day. For solo and ensemble events, the amendment would increase the honorarium from a maximum of \$200 per day to a maximum of \$250 per day and increase overtime from \$37.50 to \$50 for each hour over a scheduled eight-hour day.

Section 1112 of the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules would be amended as follows, effective August 1, 2015, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1112 (a) (12)

(12) Honorarium. The maximum honorarium for each judge will be as follows:

(A) for organization events, \$250.00 \$300.00 per day, plus \$50.00 \$60.00 for each hour over a scheduled eight-hour day; and

(B) for solo and ensemble events, \$200.00 \$250.00 per day plus \$37.50 \$50.00 for each hour over a scheduled eight-hour day.

### D. <u>Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools</u>

Potential increase to entry fees on the region level.

## E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Music moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment to be effective August 1, 2015, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

#### Motion passed unanimously.

## THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON MUSIC Referred the Following Proposals to the Policy Committee

- a. Proposal to add State Mariachi contest pilot in 2015-16.
- b. Proposal to create a state marching band contest pilot for 1A in the fall of 2015

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

- a. Extend Marching Band performance time from 8 minutes to 10 minutes.
- b. Reconsider the 8-hour Marching Band practice rule
- c. Consider Varsity Treble Choir and Varsity Tenor Bass Choir to substitute for Varsity Mix Choirs in class 5A and 6A.
- d. Review the process that has been used for the Mariachi and Spirit Competition proposals.
- e. Reconsider the 8-hour extracurricular activity rule.
- f. Require physicals for all marching band students.
- g. Consider State Marching Band Competition to be every year for all classifications.
- h. Consider using the same weather related guidelines for both Area and State Marching Events.
- i. Prohibit all electronic amplification for High School Marching Band performances
- j. Consider having a refillable liquid container available for all Marching Band members during public performance
- k. Further discussion about protocols needed for Mariachi proposal

## (C) Standing Committee on Athletics

Chairman Troxell recognized Greg Poole, Chair of the Athletic Committee. Dr. Poole introduced Dr. Mark Cousins, UIL Athletic Director. Dr. Cousins introduced his staff and briefed the Council on the UIL athletic program.

Dr. Poole recognized his fellow committee members and thanked them for their work. He stated this is a great standing committee always having good honest dialog. 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 J.D. Kennedy seconded the motion to create a Pilot Program for the 2015 football season in 6A football only, providing home field advantage to the higher seed in the first round of the playoffs. Dr. Alfred Ray amended the rule to include, UIL staff is authorized to develop logistics, specifically the definitions of "home field" and "higher seed".

Section 1250 (i) (3) of the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules would be amended as follows effective August 1, 2015, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

#### Section 1250: FOOTBALL PLAN

### (i) SITE AND DAY OF GAME.

(3) Playoff 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 games.) 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 FOR THE 2015 FOOTBALL SEASON IN 6A ONLY, FOR THE FIRST ROUND OF THE PLAYOFFS ONLY, THE HIGHER SEED WILL DETERMINE WHETHER THE GAME IS PLAYED ON ITS HOME FIELD OR MUTUALLY AGREE TO PLAY THE GAME AT A NEUTRAL SITE.

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

There could be additional travel costs to the lower seeded team; however, those costs will be offset by the reduction in travel costs for the higher seeded team.

### E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2015, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

#### Motion passed unanimously.

**2.** The Standing Committee on Athletics moved and Trey Lawrence seconded the motion to increase the number of teams advancing to the playoffs from each district from three (3) to four (4) for all conference 2A varsity team sports.

All UIL information regarding playoff representatives for team sports will be amended as follows, if approved by the Legislative Council and the Commissioner of Education:

Conference 2A: the top three FOUR teams from each district advance to the playoffs.

### D. <u>Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools</u>

While there will be costs for any school that participates in the post season, those costs can be offset by the revenue generated from the contest itself.

### E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2015, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

### Motion passed unanimously.

**3.** The Standing Committee on Athletics moved and Jeff Adams seconded the motion allowing teams and participants in basketball and soccer to participate in three (3) games per day in a one day tournament scheduled on a Saturday.

Sections 1230 (c) (2) and 1270 (d) (2) of the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules would be amended as follows effective August 1, 2015, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

## Section 1230: BASKETBALL PLAN

## (c) NUMBER OF GAMES, TOURNAMENTS AND SITES.

(2) *Number of Games Per Day.* No high school team or contestant shall participate in more than two interschool basketball games per day, including tournament games. EXCEPTION: CONTESTANTS AND TEAMS MAY PLAY THREE GAMES IN A ONE DAY TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED ON A SATURDAY

## Section 1270: SOCCER PLAN

## (d) NUMBER OF GAMES, SCRIMMAGES AND TOURNAMENTS.

(2) Number of Games Per Day. No high school team or contestant shall participate in more than two interschool soccer games per day, including tournament games. EXCEPTION: CONTESTANTS AND TEAMS MAY PLAY THREE GAMES IN A ONE DAY TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED ON A SATURDAY

# D. <u>Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools</u>

The only potential fiscal impact to schools will be a savings in travel expenses by traveling for one day rather than multiple days.

## E. <u>Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date</u>

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2015, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

# Motion passed unanimously.

**4.** The Standing Committee on Athletics moved and Joey Light seconded the motion to allow for the elimination of the championship and third place matches at the area meet in Team Tennis.

Section 1310 (g) (2) (B) of the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules would be amended as follows effective August 1, 2015, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

### Section 1310: TEAM TENNIS PLAN

## (g) CHAMPIONSHIP STRUCTURE.

- (2) Area Tournaments.
  - (B) Results of the final match shall determine area winners, runners-up and alternates. EXCEPTION: BY MUTUAL CONSENT, TEAMS CAN EXCLUDE THE AREA CHAMPIONSHIP AND/OR THIRD PLACE MATCHES.

### D. <u>Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools</u>

There will be no fiscal impact to UIL 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, 2015, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

#### Motion passed unanimously.

**5.** The Standing Committee on Athletics moved and Cody Moree seconded the motion to change the Team Tennis scoring format in both singles and doubles to a ten (10) point tiebreaker in lieu of a third set, when the first two sets are split.

Section 1310 (d) (1) of the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules would be amended as follows effective August 1, 2015, pending approval by the Commissioner of Education:

#### Section 1310: TEAM TENNIS PLAN

## (d) TEAM SCORING AND TIES.

(1) *Scoring*. The scoring system will be No Advantage-Scoring, best 2-out-of-3 set matches with a 7-point tie breaker at six games all in each set THE FIRST TWO SETS. IF A THIRD SET IS NECESSARY IT WILL BE PLAYED AS A TEN POINT MATCH TIEBREAK.

#### D. <u>Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools</u>

There will be no fiscal impact to UIL member schools.

## E. <u>Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date</u>

The Standing Committee on Athletics moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2015, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

#### Motion passed unanimously.

#### THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS Referred This Item To The Medical Advisory Committee

a. Eliminating the chop block in football

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

- a. Track and field participation limits in curved races
- b. Increasing from 16 to 24 qualifiers from regionals to state in swimming and diving

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

- a. Area golf meets
- b. 5A and 6A pilot program for double elimination 'tournament' in the first and second round of baseball playoffs
- c. 6A double elimination baseball state tournament structure
- d. Unified sports
- e. Adding javelin as an event in track and field

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

- f. Flexibility in reference to the eight hour limitation as it applies to swimming
- g. Reduction in golf tournaments
- h. Instant replay in football
- i. Require student-athletes to sit out one game after an ejection
- j. Participation limitations for distance runners in track and field
- k. Football participation limitations for 1A and 2A schools
- 1. Include swimming and diving in the official's fee schedule
- m. Further alterations to section 1204 of the C&CR
- n. Area meets for golf
- o. Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness

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

- a. Lone Star Cup point allocation relating to spring tennis
- b. Survey item of giving the higher seed home field advantage for the first round playoff game in every classification that has four teams in the playoffs in football
- c. Survey item of limiting the number of qualifying teams and individuals to two teams and two individuals advancing from regionals to the state tournament in 1A golf
- d. Require communication between coaches regarding tournament times/locations
- e. Allow coaches to provide private instruction
- f. Update tournament fees for wrestling
- g. Require head gear for soccer players
- h. Adjust the date of the regional and state track meets

Chairman Troxell asked if any member of the Council wished to present any other athletic proposals. There being none Chairman Troxell thanked Greg Poole and the other members of the Athletic Committee for the report.

## (D) Standing Committee on Policy

Chairman Poole recognized Alton Frailey, Vice Chair of the Policy Committee. Mr. Frailey introduced Dr. Jamey Harrison, UIL Deputy Director, who introduced his staff, thanked Dr. Breithaupt for his leadership and gave a brief overview of new developments in the area of policy.

Mr. Frailey introduced his fellow committee members and thanked them for their work. He 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 Jim Waller seconded the motion to authorize development of a pilot robotics competition for UIL Academics.

A robotics competition would be added as a pilot program effective August 1, 2015 pending approval of the Commission of Education.

## D. <u>Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools</u>

School districts would choose whether to participate. For those that participate, there would be costs for registration and equipment, as well as travel to a qualifying event and to the state event for teams that qualify. However, significant grant funds are available that can help mitigate costs, including \$1 million in grant funding available through the Texas Workforce Commission.

## E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2015, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

## Motion passed unanimously.

2. The Standing Committee on Policy moved and Gonzalo Salazar seconded the motion to authorize development and pilot testing for  $2^{nd}$  grade and  $7^{th}/8^{th}$  grade versions of the A+ Music Memory contest. The pilot would allow Music Memory to also serve as a pilot test for a new divisional structure that could be applied to other A+ events..

A+ Music Memory for grades 2, 7 & 8 would be added as a pilot program effective August 1, 2015 pending approval of the Commission of Education.

## D. <u>Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools</u>

Limited fiscal impact. Local districts choose which elementary school events to offer and at what grade levels. Study and practice materials would be included with the materials already used by other grades. District contest materials are provided by the League office.

# E. <u>Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date</u>

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2015, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

## Motion passed unanimously.

**3.** The Standing Committee on Policy moved and Kay Waggoner seconded the motion to authorize development and pilot testing of a computer science event for A+ Academics.

A+ computer science competition would be added as a pilot program effective August 1, 2015 pending approval of the Commission of Education.

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

Limited fiscal impact. Local districts choose which elementary and middle school events to offer and how to structure divisions. Study and practice materials would available online, often at no cost. District contest materials are provided by the League office.

# E. <u>Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date</u>

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2015, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

#### Motion passed unanimously.

4. The Standing Committee on Policy moved and Linda Henrie seconded the motion to authorize development of a copy editing contest as a pilot program for the 2015-16 school year.

Current journalism contests do not fully address the skill of copy editing. Regardless of how the media changes and evolves, copy editing will continue to be a vital and necessary skill. And regardless of what field a student chooses in life, copy editing is an important skill for all professions. The contests will help students understand the value of editing and the need for clear, concise communication. Rules and guidelines will be developed for 2015-16 school year that tests students on their copy editing abilities including but not limited to grammar, spelling, punctuation and Associated Press Style.

## C. <u>Proposed Amendment</u>

A copy editing contest would be added as a pilot program effective August 1, 2015 pending approval of the Commission of Education.

### D. <u>Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools</u>

Minimal. Possible purchases of AP Stylebooks to help students prepare.

### E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2015, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

### Motion passed unanimously.

**5.** The Standing Committee on Policy moved and Cliff Gilmore seconded the motion to create a state marching band contest pilot for 1A in the fall of 2015. 1A Bands that receive an overall 1<sup>st</sup> division rating at the region contest would be certified to advance directly to the state contest. The pilot would then be reviewed and considered by UIL staff and the legislative council for continuation and/or implementation into the Constitution and Contest Rules.

Based on statewide interest it is proposed that a 1A State Marching Band Contest be conducted as a pilot project to determine the feasibility and long-term support for such a contest.

Possible benefits could include more growth and development of 1A band programs, leading to a higher number of 1A schools that have a band and an increase in student engagement in those schools.

### C. <u>Proposed Amendment</u>

No placement in the Constitution and Contest Rules.

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

Schools that advance to the state contest would incur those related expenses.

## E. <u>Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date</u>

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2015, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

#### Motion passed unanimously.

**6.** The Standing Committee on Policy moved and Russell Marshall seconded the motion to create a state mariachi contest pilot in 2015-2016. Mariachi ensembles that receive a Division I rating at the region medium ensemble contest would be eligible. The pilot would then be reviewed and considered by UIL staff and the legislative council for continuation and/or implementation into the Constitution and Contest Rules.

A State Mariachi pilot contest would be added as a pilot program effective August 1, 2015 pending approval of the Commissioner of Education.

## D. <u>Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools</u>

Schools that advance to the state contest would incur those related expenses.

# E. <u>Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date</u>

The Standing Committee on Policy moves that the Legislative Council pass this amendment, to be effective August 1, 2015, if approved by the Commissioner of Education.

#### Motion passed unanimously.

# THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICY Recommends to the Legislative Council pass the following Proposal as an emergency item

a. Create a separate championship for Conference A volleyball for the 2015-2016 school year. The current alignment would be utilized with 2A and 1A schools grouped together. 2A schools would then be divided into a separate playoff bracket and 1A schools would be divided into a separate playoff bracket.

Robert Dillard seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.** 

#### THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICY Instructed the Staff to Study The Following Proposals

- a. Adding water polo as a UIL sanctioned activity.
- b. Varsity athletic eligibility for foreign exchange students.
- c. Classifications of magnet schools.
- d. Very occasional use of Sunday for UIL activities; in particular in the fall.

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

- a. Ad Hoc committee on school choice and UIL rules.
- b. A proposal to give each student who places a medal.
- c. A proposal to amend Section 21 of the C&CR.
- d. A proposal to have Charter School representation on UIL committees.
- e. A proposal to reinstate the retroactive waiver or remove the end of second year disable rule from the high school overage waiver.
- f. Allow homeschool students to participate in athletics and other extra curricular activities.
- g. A proposal to add sand wrestling to the UIL approved sports.

- h. A proposal to add sand volleyball to the UIL approved sports.
- i. A proposal to allow students to make up a missed activity occurring outside the school day without penalty.
- j. A proposal to implement a pilot program for Cheerleading as a sport.
- k. A proposal to remove "dance squad" from the cheer pilot competition model.
- m. A proposal to add Ice Hockey to the UIL approved sports.
- n. A proposal to allow male athletes play on female volleyball teams.

### H. New Business, continued 2. Members' New Business

Chairman Troxell asked Council members for new business.

Dr. Jamey Harrison presented the draft of the Constitution and Contest Rules Rewrite Process required by the Sunset Commission. He explained the Sunset Commission decisions come in two forms:

Management Decisions:

• These were made final by the Sunset Commission and require no further action by the legislature. The process discussed in this presentation relates to the management decisions.

Statutory Decisions:

• As with any state law, these decisions must go through the full legislative process before being made final and do not require UIL action at the time. These propose changes to statute.

Issue 1:

- 1.1 (No Action) Clarify UIL is a state agency within the University of Texas at Austin.
- 1.2 (No Action) Direct UIL to rewrite and reorganize its Constitution and Contest Rules.
- 1.3 (Action) Direct the full Legislative Council to approve UIL's annual budget recommendations.
- 1.4 (Action) Direct UIL to improve how it tracks and reports all contest revenues and expenses.

Issue 2:

- 2.1 (Action) Direct UIL to establish detailed procedural rules for its enforcement hearings.
- 2.2 (Action) Direct UIL to create penalty guidelines and a precedent manual for its enforcement and eligibility determination processes.

Issue 3:

• 3.1 (No Action) – Abolish the Interscholastic League Advisory Council.

Issue 4:

• 4.1 (No Action) – Discontinue the statewide steroid testing program.

Rewrite the Constitution and Contest Rules.

Dr. Alfred Ray said he wants it made clear, pertaining to 1.1, UIL is governed by its members unlike other state agency. He also stated that along with the eight Legislative Council members serving on the Committee, there should be at least one council member serving on each sub-committee.

Some superintendents expressed concern with the lack of transparency concerning what brought the UIL under Sunset Review and the attempt to use the Sunset Commission to poke at the UIL. The UIL is unlike any other state agency; the UIL is run like an ISD.

Dr. Troxell asked for a motion. Jo Ann Bludau moved to approve the rewrite process of the Constitution and Contest Rules. Linda Henrie seconded the motion.

Dr. Harrison thanked the Sunset Advisory Commission on behalf of the students of Texas.

Dr. Troxell called for a vote. Motion passed 28 in favor, 1 opposed.

#### I. Election of Officers for 2014-15

Linda Henrie nominated the following slate of officers for 2013-14: Kay Waggoner as Chairperson, Johnny Pineda as First Vice Chair and Jim Waller as Second Vice Chair.

Shannon Holmes seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

#### J. Announcements

Chairman Troxell expressed his appreciation to all Legislative Council members for their dedicated service.

Alton Frailey presented a token of appreciation to outgoing Chairman Dr. Dan Troxell and expressed gratitude on behalf of the Council for his service and thanked him for all he does in commitment to children. Dr. Breithaupt thanked Dr. Troxell for serving as chair and for the excellent job he has done representing the 1400 plus high schools, for serving as Chair of the Standing Committee on Academics and for the many complex issues he has handled as Chair.

#### K. Adjournment

The meeting recessed at 11:25 a.m.

#### **Others in Attendance**

Randy Adams, Denton Guyer Ray Almgren, National Instruments Randall Ballew, TX Six Man Coaches Assoc. Kari Bensend, Frisco ISD, TGCA Ken Berry, BEST Robotics Rebakah Bland, Aspermont ISD Bob Bryant, TMAC Tim Buchanan, Aledo Judy Campbell, Garland ISD John Carter, THSBCA Rodney Chant, Pasadena ISD Jerry Comalander, North East ISD Cecil Clift, TX Education News Tom Collins, THSBCA Michael Crowley, Strake Jesuit Jerry Crumpton, THSGCA Chris Cullen, Denton ISD Bryan Davis, Dimmitt ISD Marmion Dambrino, Houston ISD Debbie Decker, Katy ISD Bob DeJonge, Keller ISD

Johanna Denson, Pflugerville ISD Martha Dorow, Special Olympics TX Rusty Dowling, THSADA Bob Dubey, Richardson ISD Susan Elza, Northwest ISD Marcus Evans, Huntsville ISD Michael Fitch, TASO Charlotte Glenn Liana Gombert, Comal ISD, TGCA Kevin Greene, Fort Worth ISD Lee Grisham, TGCA Leslie Harris, HISD Audrey Herold, Pflugerville ISD Stuart Kantor, TTFCA Steve Keasler Midlothian ISD Kathy Kuddes, TMAC David Kuykendall, Frisco ISD Charles Lincoln, Crowley ISD Valerie Little, McKinney ISD Holly Lyons, TDEA Brenda Marshall, Corpus Christi ISD

Cari Martin, Teague HS Daniel Marshall, TTCA Steve McBride, TTFCA Cynthia McCallum, Mansfield ISD Stephen McDonald, Houston ISD William McDonald, Strake Jesuit Grace McDowell, Frisco ISD Sam McElroy, Garland ISD Luis Medina, Clear Creek ISD Dr. Sandra Melendez, Killeen ISD Lovd Morgan, TGCA Norman Morgan, Westlake HS Jasen Merrella, Robotics Edu. Ronny Mullins, Prosper ISD Bernie Muluaney, GCC ISD Dean Muths, TMAC Cliff Odenwald, Garland ISD Janwin Overstreet-Goode, TMEA Cole Parton, Paducah HS Troy Parton, Paducah ISD Joyce Pennington, American Dance Lynn Pool, Austin ISD Shawn Pratt, McKinney ISD Russ Reeves, Rockwall ISD Jodie Bruner Rea, Plano Wildcat Hockey Roy Renzenbrink, McKinney ISD Scott Rippetoe, Texas Torque Betsy Russell, Hays CISD D. W. Rutledge, THSCA Jennifer Roland, Lubbock ISD Rex Sanders, THSBCA Rodney Savent, Beaumont ISD Vince Sebo, Galena Park ISD Rich Sherley, TABC Leslie Slovak, Richardson ISD Beverly Skipper-Lange Lonny Stern, Skillpoint Alliance Mike Sullivan, Special Olympics TX Brad Thiessen, Amarillo ISD Sam Tipton, TGCA Jim Twardowski, Sheldon ISD Jim Van Zandt, Round Rock ISD Brenda Villa, USA Water Polo Marty Walker, Mansfield ISD Brian Walls, Swimming Diving Board Ed Warken, Cy-Fair ISD