

UIL Marching Band Rules Advisory Committee Agenda and Minutes

*The updated 5-judge system will take effect in the fall of 2025. The committee will make any recommendations on all remaining proposals at their spring 2025 meeting.

Fall 2024 Meeting December 4, 2024 6:00 PM via Zoom

Committee Members

1A Rep Brian Tillman, Irion County HS 2A Rep Elliott Ayo, Rivercrest HS 3A Rep Juan Cantu, Rio Hondo HS 4A Rep Eric Rath, Canyon HS 5A Rep Chris Yee, Cedar Park HS 6A Rep Jana Harvey, Flower Mound HS DFA Rep John Alstrin, Prosper ISD Military Rep George Little, Lufkin HS At-Large Rep Gerry Miller, Coppell HS

- A. Introductions
- B. Committee Purpose and Process
 - 1. Spring Meeting: Wednesday, May 7, 2025 at 6:00 PM via Zoom.

C. Old Business

 Proposal to reconfigure the 5-judge system resulting in a music ensemble/woodwind, music ensemble/brass, music ensemble/percussion, visual ensemble, and visual individual Judge

Recommendation: Implementation in Fall 2025 at area contests for every conference that utilizes the 7-judge system at state (4A/5A/6A). 1A/2A/3A will continue to utilize the existing five judge system at area and state.

- 2. Proposal to draw for and schedule state prelims based on area placement
- 3. Proposal to add caption awards at the state contest
- 4. Proposal to add a Guard Judge at 5A/6A State Contest
- 5. Proposal to allow area amplification of woodwinds and brass

D. New Business

- 1. Proposal to change 1A ranking at the region contest to a points-based system for advancement purposes
- 2. Proposal to remove band accomplishments from field exit script
- 3. Proposal for every area contest to advance an additional band for each competing state medalist band from the prior year
- 4. Proposal to award medals to all state finalist band members
- 5. Proposal to change the timing penalty at the region contest
- 6. Proposal to require area sites, when possible, to move the contest to an indoor venue
- 7. Proposal to release only the non-finalist scoring recap at the end of state prelims
- E. Announcements
- F. Adjournment