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Second Publication of Proposed Legislation 118th Annual Convention

This publication presents all the proposed amendments to NCAA Division III legislation that were properly submitted in accordance with the July 15 and September 1 deadlines in the NCAA legislative calendar. The proposals herein appear in the order in which they would appear, if adopted, in the NCAA Manual. No attempt has been made to place them in topical groupings or in the order in which they eventually might appear in the Convention agenda. **The order of the four proposals in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation will change in the Official Notice. The numeral 2 has been placed in front of each proposal number to help identify its position in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation.** In addition, for each proposal that was approved in the Initial Publication of Proposed Legislation, a parenthetical follows the proposed number, which identifies the proposal's number as it appeared in the Initial Publication of Proposed Legislation.

Each proposal is accompanied by the traditional statement of intent, proposed effective date and a statement of rationale.

By September 15, any sponsors of a membership-sponsored proposal were permitted to refine and change the amendments in any manner that was germane to the proposal. Such changes could either increase or decrease the modification set forth in the original proposal. All of these changes have been incorporated in this Second Publication of Proposed Legislation, which also includes all proposals submitted by September 1 by the NCAA Division III Management Council and Presidents Council.

No new proposals may be submitted for the 2024 NCAA Convention inasmuch as the July 15 and September 1 deadlines have passed. Member institutions and conferences, as well as the Presidents Council and Management Council, now have until November 1 by 5 p.m. Eastern time to submit amendments to the proposals. Such amendments-to-amendments may not increase the modification set forth in the printed proposal. Amendments-to-amendments submitted by the membership must have 20 or more active member institutions for proper sponsorship in Division III. In addition, amendments-to-amendments may be sponsored by two or more member conferences in Division III. It should be noted that proposals that are withdrawn after the September 15 sponsor-modification deadline appear in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation; however, information will be included in the Official Notice to indicate the sponsor's intent to withdraw the proposal (at the Convention).

Member institutions and conferences are encouraged to request interpretations of the proposed legislation in this Second Publication of Proposed Legislation (see Appendix B).

This publication represents the second in a series of three publications addressing Convention legislation, as dictated by the provisions of NCAA Bylaw 9. The third publication will be as follows:

Official Notice of the 2024 Convention. Issued on November 15 and contains all Division III legislation for the Convention, including all amendments-to-amendments and resolutions submitted by the November 1 deadline.

2023-24 Legislative Calendar

The legislative calendar, as set forth in Bylaw 9 is summarized here for convenience of reference.

July 15: Deadline for submission of amendments by the Division III membership. Each amendment must include a statement of intent and a separate statement of rationale (200 words or less), as well as identification of the designated primary contact person, and must be sponsored by at least one conference or at least 10 individual institution sponsors.

July 17-18: Management Council Consideration. The Management Council considers legislative proposals that it may wish to sponsor. It also reviews proposals submitted by the membership in accordance with the July 15 deadline.

August 2: Presidents Council consideration. The Presidents Council considers legislative proposals that it may wish to sponsor. It also reviews the proposals submitted by the membership in accordance with the July 15 deadline.

Not Later Than August 15: Posting of Initial Publication of Proposed Legislation.

Date IPOPL is Posted through September 15: Sponsor-modification period. Sponsors are permitted to refine and change their proposals in any manner germane to the original proposal. Member institutions and conferences are invited to offer any suggested revisions of a proposal to the primary contact person listed with the proposal. Also,

members that believe an amendment should not be modified should so inform the primary contact person.

September 1: Deadline for submission of amendments sponsored by the Presidents Council or Management Council.

September 1: Deadline for proper co-sponsorship of membership proposals. The proposals must receive proper co-sponsorship from one additional conference (if originally sponsored by one conference) or 10 additional individual institutions (if originally sponsored by 10 institutions) or it will be withdrawn.

September 15: Deadline for submission by all sponsors (with submission by the primary contact person) of any modification to their original amendments. These modifications may represent either greater or lesser changes; they need only be germane to the original amendment.

Not Later Than September 23: Posting of Second Publication of Proposed Legislation. This publication includes all membership-sponsored proposals as modified and includes all proposals sponsored by the Presidents Council or Management Council.

Date SPOPL is Posted through November 1: Amendment-to-amendment period. The Presidents Council and Management Council as well as the membership (see Bylaw 9.3.4.2) may submit amendments to the proposals in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation. These amendments-to-amendments may not increase the modification of the provisions to be amended; they must fall between the provisions of the original proposed amendment and the current provisions.

November 1: Deadline for all amendments-to-amendments and resolutions to be received in the national office. No amendments-to-amendments sponsored by the membership may be submitted after this date. The Presidents Council and Management Council are authorized to submit further amendments-to-amendments at the Convention if they deem such action necessary.

November 15: Publishing the Official Notice of the Convention. This publication includes all Division III proposed legislation and the properly submitted amendments-to-amendments and resolutions.

January 10-13, 2024: NCAA Convention. Voting on proposals will occur at the business session.

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LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS SUBMITTED BY THE MEMBERSHIP

[Note: Pursuant to Bylaw 9.3.11, all amendments shall become effective not earlier than the first day of August following adoption by the Convention; however, if a voting delegate wishes to propose an immediate effective date, or an effective date other than the first day of August following the Convention, the rationale statement shall contain reasons why the amendment has an alternative effective date. Those proposals that are given an immediate effective date and are adopted become effective on adjournment of the Convention.]

Note: In the following proposals:

- Those letters and words that appears in *italics and strikethrough* are to be deleted.
- Those letters and words that appear in **boldface and are underlined** are to be added; and
- Those letters and words that appear in normal text are unchanged from the current Division III legislation.

General Grouping

No. 2-1 (1-1)

AMENDMENT-TO-AMENDMENT DEADLINE

Intent: To amend the Amendment-to-Amendment Deadline to provide the sponsors of membership proposals more flexibility, and time to amend its proposal. Specifically, the deadline for sponsors of the original proposal to submit an amendment-to-amendment that increases the modification of its proposals would be changed from Sep. 15 to Nov. 1. This extension provides adequate time for its inclusion in the Final Notice.

Bylaws: Amend 9.3, as follows:

[Roll Call]

9.3 Amendment Process.

9.3.1 Authorizing Legislation.

[9.3.1.1 through 9.3.1.2 unchanged.]

9.3.1.3 Amendment-to-Amendment -- Federated Provisions. A proposed amendment to a federated provision of the bylaws may be amended at any annual or special Convention. From July 15 through September 15, sponsors of proposed amendments may refine and change the proposed amendments in any manner that is germane to the original. After September 15, proposed amendments may be amended only if the amendment to the proposed amendment does not increase the modification of the provision to be amended. **[See Bylaw 9.3.4.2.2.2 for when a proposed amendment may increase the modification.]**

[9.3.2 through 9.3.4 unchanged.]

~~9.3.4.2.2 Amendment-to-Amendment. Sponsors of proposed amendments must submit amendments to their original amendments in writing and such amendments to amendments must be received at the Association's national office not later than 5 p.m. Eastern time September 15, unless the amendment-to-amendment does not increase the modification specified in the original. Any amendment-to-amendment submitted after September 15 by those other than the original sponsors shall not increase the modification of the original and must be submitted in writing and received at the Association's national office not later than 5 p.m. Eastern time November 1 before an annual Convention or 60 days before a special Convention.~~

[9.3.4.2.2.1 unchanged.]

9.3.4.2.2.2 Exception -- Membership-sponsored amendments. The original sponsors of a membership proposal (must include all of the sponsors) may submit an amendment-to-amendment that increases the modification specified in the original, provided it is still germane to the intent of the original amendment.

[9.3.4.2.3 unchanged.]

[9.3.5 through 9.3.12 unchanged.]

Source: Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference and Empire 8.

Effective Date: July 1, 2024

Rationale: A great deal of proposal dialogue occurs after the current amendment deadline of Sep. 15. The goal of any proposal is to strengthen our operating policies and providing more time to enhance legislation would be positive for the greater good and ensure that the strongest version of a proposal is brought forward for convention.

Budget Impact: None

Position Statement(s): *NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee):* The Management Council and the Interpretations and Legislation Committee support this proposal. This proposal provides appropriate flexibility within the legislative process to consider input and offer appropriate amendments to sponsored proposals.

No. 2-2

DIVISION MEMBERSHIP -- ESTABLISHING STUNT AS AN EMERGING SPORT FOR WOMEN

Intent: To add stunt as an emerging sport for women and establish legislation related to playing and practice seasons and membership.

A. Bylaws: Amend 17, as follows:

[Roll Call]

17 Playing and Practice Seasons.

[17.01 through 17.02 unchanged.]

17.02.13 Varsity Intercollegiate Sport. A varsity intercollegiate sport is a sport that has been accorded that status by the institution's president or chancellor or committee responsible for intercollegiate athletics policy and that satisfies the following conditions:

[17.02.13-(a) through 17.02.13-(c) unchanged.]

17.02.13.1 Team Sports. The following are classified as team sports for purposes of this bylaw:

Acrobatics and Tumbling	Rugby, Women's
Beach Volleyball, Women's	Rowing, Women's
Baseball	Soccer
Basketball	Softball
Field Hockey	Stunt
Football	Volleyball
Ice Hockey	Water Polo
Lacrosse	

[17.02.13.2 unchanged.]

[17.02.14 unchanged.]

[17.1 through 17.21 unchanged.]

17.22 Stunt. Regulations for computing the stunt playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1 General Playing-Season Regulations. (See Figure 17-1)

17.22.1 Length of Playing Season. (See Bylaw 17.1.2.3 for Sports with a Spring NCAA Championship, except for Golf, Rowing and Tennis.)

17.22.2 Preseason Practice. (See Bylaw 17.1.2.3)

17.22.3 First Date of Competition. (See Bylaw 17.1.2.3)

17.22.4 End of Playing Season. (See Bylaw 17.1.2.3)

17.22.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.22.5.1 Maximum Limitations-Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in stunt during the institution's stunt playing season to 14 dates of competition, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.22.5.3. Countable date of competition limitations apply separately to multiple teams (e.g., varsity, subvarsity and freshmen). For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.

17.22.5.2 Maximum Limitations-Student-Athlete. A student-athlete may participate each academic year in a maximum of 14 dates of competition during the institution's stunt playing season. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student-athlete represents the institution, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity and freshmen team of the institution in accordance with Bylaws 17.02.7 and 17.02.9.

17.22.5.3 Exemptions. (See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5)

17.22.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. (See Bylaw 17.1.5)

[17.22 through 17.32 renumbered as 17.23 through 17.33, unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 20, as follows:

[Roll Call]

20 Division Membership.

[20.01 through 20.02 unchanged.]

20.02.6 Emerging Sports for Women. The following shall be considered emerging sports for women:

(a) Team Sports. Acrobatics and tumbling, ~~and~~ rugby **and stunt**; and

[20.02.6-(b) unchanged.]

[20.02.6.1 unchanged.]

[20.02.7 unchanged.]

[20.1 through 20.11 unchanged.]

20.11.3 Sports Sponsorship. A member institution shall sponsor in Division III a minimum number of sports based on institutional enrollment. At least one sport involving an all-male team or a mixed team and at least one sport involving an all-female team shall be conducted in every sport season. All sports used to meet the minimum sports sponsorship requirements must meet the minimum contest and participant requirements per Bylaw 20.11.3.8.

[20.11.3.1 through 20.11.3.7 unchanged.]

20.11.3.8 Minimum Contests and Participants Requirements for Sports Sponsorship. In each sport, the institution's team shall engage in at least a minimum number of intercollegiate contests (against the varsity programs of four-year, degree-granting collegiate institutions) each year. In the individual sports, the institution's team shall include a minimum number of participants in each contest that is counted toward meeting the minimum-contests requirement. The following minimums are applicable:

Team Sports	Minimum Contests	Minimum Participants	Individual Sports	Minimum Contests	Minimum Participants
Acrobatics and Tumbling	6	18	Bowling	8	5
Beach Volleyball	8		Cross Country	5	5
Baseball	25		Fencing	8	5
Basketball	18		Golf	6	4
Field Hockey	12		Men's Gymnastics	6	6
Football	7		Women's Gymnastics	6	5
Ice Hockey	18		Rifle	6	4
Lacrosse	10		Skiing	5	5
Women's Rowing	8		Swimming and Diving	8	8
Women's Rugby	8		Tennis	10	6
Soccer	13		Track and Field, Indoor	5	10
Softball	24		Track and Field, Outdoor	6	12
Stunt	6	16	Women's Triathlon	4	3
Volleyball	17		Wrestling, Men's	7	6
Water Polo	13		Wrestling, Women's	7	6

(Note: The minimum-contest requirements set forth in Bylaw 20.11.3.8 apply only to the provisions of this section and do not apply to minimum-contest requirements in Bylaw 14 and Bylaw 17.)

[20.11.3.8.1 through 20.11.3.8.11 unchanged.]

[20.11.3.9 through 20.11.3.10 unchanged.]

[20.11.4 unchanged.]

[20.12 through 20.15 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Committee on Women's Athletics).

Effective Date: August 1, 2024

Rationale: The sport continues to grow at the club, high school and collegiate levels, and the proposal is supported by the sport's national governing body. Further, the cost of sponsoring the sport is low and provides an opportunity for enriching member institutions' enrollment management strategies. Stunt provides opportunities for participants with diverse sport backgrounds (e.g., powerlifting, gymnastics) and female sport administrators, coaches, and officials. The sport's national governing body demonstrated that current stunt programs are fully integrated into institutional athletics departments as stand-alone programs, that the experience of a stunt student-athlete is comparable to the experience of student-athletes who compete in NCAA sports, and the sport's organizational structure and rules are consistent with NCAA values and legislation.

Budget Impact: Based on institutional sponsorship of the sport.

Presidents Council Grouping

No. 2-3 DIVISION MEMBERSHIP -- DIVISION III MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS -- AMEND THE DIVISION III PHILOSOPHY STATEMENT

Intent: To revise the Division III Philosophy Statement.

Bylaws: Amend 20.11, as follows:

[Roll Call]

20.11 Division III Membership Requirements.

DIVISION III PHILOSOPHY STATEMENT

~~Colleges and universities in Division III place highest priority on the overall quality of the educational experience and on the successful completion of all students' academic programs. They seek to establish and maintain an environment in which a student-athlete's athletics activities are conducted as an integral part of the student-athlete's educational experience and in which coaches play a significant role as educators. They also seek to establish and maintain an environment that values cultural diversity and gender equity among their student-athletes and athletics staff.~~

~~To achieve this end, Division III institutions:~~

- ~~(a) Expect that institutional presidents and chancellors have the ultimate responsibility and final authority for the conduct of the intercollegiate athletics program at the institutional, conference and national governance levels;~~
- ~~(b) Place special importance on the impact of athletics on the participants rather than on the spectators and place greater emphasis on the internal constituency (e.g., students, alumni, institutional personnel) than on the general public and its entertainment needs;~~
- ~~(c) Shall not award financial aid to any student on the basis of athletics leadership, ability, participation or performance;~~
- ~~(d) Primarily focus on intercollegiate athletics as a four-year, undergraduate experience;~~
- ~~(e) Encourage the development of sportsmanship and positive societal attitudes in all constituents, including student-athletes, coaches, administrative personnel and spectators;~~
- ~~(f) Encourage participation by maximizing the number and variety of sport offerings for their students through broad-based athletics programs;~~
- ~~(g) Assure that the actions of coaches and administrators exhibit fairness, openness and honesty in their relationships with student-athletes;~~
- ~~(h) Assure that athletics participants are not treated differently from other members of the student body;~~
- ~~(i) Assure that student-athletes are supported in their efforts to meaningfully participate in nonathletic pursuits to enhance their overall educational experience;~~
- ~~(j) Assure that athletics programs support the institution's educational mission by financing, staffing and controlling the programs through the same general procedures as other departments of the institution. Further, the administration of an institution's athletics program (e.g., hiring, compensation, professional development, certification of coaches) should be integrated into the campus culture and educational mission;~~
- ~~(k) Assure that athletics recruitment complies with established institutional policies and procedures applicable to the admission process;~~
- ~~(l) Exercise institutional and/or conference autonomy in the establishment of initial and continuing eligibility standards for student-athletes;~~
- ~~(m) Assure that academic performance of student-athletes is, at a minimum, consistent with that of the general student body;~~
- ~~(n) Assure that admission policies for student-athletes comply with policies and procedures applicable to the general student body;~~
- ~~(o) Provide equitable athletics opportunities for student-athletes and give equal emphasis to men's and women's sports;~~
- ~~(p) Support ethnic and gender diversity for all constituents;~~

- ~~(q) Give primary emphasis to regional in-season competition and conference championships; and~~
- ~~(r) Support student-athletes in their efforts to reach high levels of athletics performance, which may include opportunities for participation in national championships, by providing all teams with adequate facilities, competent coaching and appropriate competitive opportunities.~~

~~The purpose of the NCAA is to assist its members in developing the basis for consistent, equitable competition while minimizing infringement on the freedom of individual institutions to determine their own special objectives and programs. The above statement articulates principles that represent a commitment to Division III membership and shall serve as a guide for the preparation of legislation by the division and for planning and implementation of programs by institutions and conferences.~~

20.11.1 DIVISION III PHILOSOPHY STATEMENT.

The purpose of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) is to assist its members in developing the basis for consistent, equitable competition while minimizing infringement on the freedom of individual members to determine their own unique objectives and programs. The philosophy statement articulates principles that represent a commitment to Division III membership and shall serve as a guide for the preparation of legislation by the division and for planning and implementation of programs by institutions and conferences.

(a) Division III members affirm the purposes and fundamental policy of the NCAA, as set forth in Constitution Article I with emphasis on:

- (1) Division III members shall establish and maintain an environment in which a student-athlete's activities are conducted with the appropriate primary emphasis on the student-athlete's academic experience.**
- (2) Division III intercollegiate athletics shall be conducted in a manner designed to protect, support and enhance the physical and mental health and safety of student-athletes.**
- (3) Division III members shall be committed to the creation of diverse and inclusive environments with respect for and sensitivity to the dignity of every person.**
- (4) Division III athletics shall be conducted in a manner free of gender bias.**

(b) NCAA Constitution Article 2 establishes the independent authority of Division III to organize itself and determine its own governing structure and membership.

- (1) Institutional presidents and chancellors have the ultimate responsibility and final authority for the conduct of Division III intercollegiate athletics at the national, conference and institutional levels.**
- (2) Institutional and conference members determine policy at the national level through the Division III governance and legislative processes.**
- (3) Key institution and conference constituents who play an integral role in the governance and operation of Division III at the national, conference and institutional levels include, but are not limited to athletics direct reports, athletics diversity and inclusion designees, athletics health care administrators, coaches, conference commissioners, directors of athletics, faculty athletics representatives, presidents and chancellors, senior compliance administrators, senior woman administrators, and student-athletes.**

(c) Division III members abide by the following principles that help to define and distinguish the division and its policies and legislation.

(1) Student-Athlete Collegiate Experience.

- (i) Seek to establish and maintain an environment in which a student-athlete's athletics activities are conducted as an integral part of their educational experience.**
- (ii) Assure that student-athletes are supported in their efforts to meaningfully participate in nonathletic pursuits to enhance their overall educational experience.**

(2) Student-Athlete Athletics Experience.

- (i) Support student-athletes in their efforts to reach the highest levels of athletics performance, with a primary emphasis on conference and regional competition, while providing access to national championships.**
- (ii) Prioritize the experience of the participants, and the internal constituency (e.g., students, alumni, institutional personnel) rather than on the entertainment needs of spectators or the general public.**

(iii) Develop and maintain an environment that promotes sportsmanship and a positive culture for student-athletes, coaches, and administrative personnel, recognizing the role intercollegiate athletics can play in human development. Ensure spectators contribute to a positive sporting experience in support of all participants.

(3) Member Responsibility and Oversight.

(i) Encourage participation and provide equitable opportunities with support for gender and ethnic/racial diversity. Give equal emphasis to men's and women's sports.

(ii) The administration of an institution's athletics program (e.g., hiring, compensation, professional development, certification of coaches) should be integrated into the campus culture and educational mission.

(iii) Assure all teams are provided with appropriate facilities, competent coaching and competitive opportunities.

(iv) Assure student-athletes are treated similarly to the student-body in areas that include, but are not limited to, admissions, enrollment, financial aid, academic and career support, academic performance, and degree completion.

[20.11.1 through 20.11.4 renumbered as 20.11.2 through 20.11.5, unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division III Presidents Council [Management Council (Strategic Planning and Finance Committee)]

Effective Date: August 1, 2024

Rationale: The Division III Philosophy Statement Review Working Group and the Strategic Planning and Finance Committee have collaborated with the Division III governance structure and membership over the last year to examine and revise the division's philosophy statement to better reflect Division III's unique values and positioning in today's intercollegiate athletics landscape. That collaboration included multiple opportunities for membership review and input that informed the working group and committee's deliberations. The proposed philosophy statement considers the elements already contained in the NCAA Constitution while articulating fundamental principles of the division. The proposed statement also attempts to address the balance between the division's philosophy versus its operating bylaws.

Budget Impact: None.

General Grouping

No. 2-4 DIVISION MEMBERSHIP -- DIVISION III MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS -- SPORTS SPONSORSHIP -- REDUCE MINIMUM PARTICIPANTS IN TENNIS FROM SIX TO FOUR

Intent: To change the minimum number of participants required in tennis from six to four to have consistency between the membership requirements and the playing rules.

Bylaws: Amend 20.11.3, as follows:

[Roll Call]

20.11.3.8 Minimum Contests and Participants Requirements for Sports Sponsorship. In each sport, the institution's team shall engage in at least a minimum number of intercollegiate contests (against the varsity programs of four-year, degree-granting collegiate institutions) each year. In the individual sports, the institution's team shall include a minimum number of participants in each contest that is counted toward meeting the minimum-contests requirement. The following minimums are applicable:

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Water Polo	13		Wrestling, Men's	7	6
			Wrestling, Women's	7	6

(Note: The minimum-contest requirements set forth in Bylaw 20.11.3.8 apply only to the provisions of this section and do not apply to minimum-contest requirements in Bylaw 14 and Bylaw 17.)

[20.11.3.8.1 through 20.11.3.8.11 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Championships Committee).

Effective Date: August 1, 2024

Rationale: A tennis match can be won with only four participants competing (two doubles teams who also compete as four singles players). During COVID, the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) put in place a temporary minimum requirement that adjusted the required number of players down to only four to accommodate teams that were short on players due to circumstances outside of their control. In August 2022, the ITA officially adopted the minimum of four as a permanent change to its playing rules. This proposal will create consistency and reduce confusion by aligning the current sport sponsorship legislation with the current playing rules. In addition, amending the legislation to match the playing rules would positively impact the student-athletes as it

would allow a team to still compete even if it has only four available student-athletes for any number of reasons (e.g., class schedule, sickness, injury).

Budget Impact: None.

Appendix A

Legislative Proposal Number Changes

This appendix lists proposals that are included in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation and gives their corresponding numbers in the Initial Publication of Proposed Legislation. Please note that not all proposals that appear in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation were included in the Initial Publication of Proposed Legislation.

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Appendix B

Request for Interpretation

Member institutions and conferences are encouraged to request interpretations of the proposed legislation in this Second Publication of Proposed Legislation. Interpretations related to the proposed legislation in this Second Publication of Proposed Legislation may be requested via electronic mail to the primary contact persons at jmyers@ncaa.org or sturner@ncaa.org, not later than November 21. When submitting such a request, please include the proposal number in question, your institution's name and your title. All resulting interpretations will be distributed to the delegates in time for the conference meetings held in conjunction with the Convention.