

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE STATUTES AND BY-LAWS

Summary and objectives

The JJIF Board proposes modification to the JJIF Statutes, primarily to synchronize obligation of the Board when organising the JJIF Congress, related to JJIF Session procedures (to have a call from the Board for proposals three months in advance, to receive proposals no later than two months in advance and to send materials out no later than one month before the event).

The JJIF Board also proposes, to allow Vice Presidents of the JJIF Board (who are presidents of their respected continental unions) to have substitute with the right to vote at the JJIF Board when they cannot attend the meeting (substituted by the Board members from the Continental Union Board).

Third proposal is considering changing the by-laws about the Board about quorum. At the moment 7 members out of 11 are required to be present that Board can make decisions (63,7%). The proposal is that more than half of the members are required (6, which represent 54,5%).

a. Proposal to change article 8 (Vice Presidents' substitution rights)

a.1 CHANGE Paragraph 8.2.2 (delete a sentence and insert new one)

EXISTING TEXT

8.2.2 The five (5) Vice-Presidents are the corresponding Presidents of their respective JJCUs, duly elected by their General Assembly for tenure of four (4) years, and whose nominations are ratified by the JJIF Congress. In the case of any inability of any JJCU to elect the corresponding President for a post as Vice-President of the JJIF, the position shall remain vacant and the JJIF Executive Board shall consist of lesser members until the next JJCU elections.

NEW TEXT

8.2.2 8.2.2 The five (5) Vice-Presidents are the corresponding Presidents of their respective JJCUs, duly elected by their General Assembly for tenure of four (4) years, and whose nominations are ratified by the JJIF Congress. **In case of temporary or permanent unavailability of an elected Continental President /JJIF Vice President a substitute as declared in the Continental Statutes is accepted.**

2.2 NEW Paragraph in Section "8.2 Executive Board Elections and Terms of Offices"

After 8.2.2 new paragraph is included with number 8.2.3. Existing paragraphs shall be renumbered.

"8.2.3 When not able to attend, the elected Vice-President may appoint a Board member from his/hers JJCU to participate at the JJIF Executive Board and related meetings with all rights, associated to a Vice-President's position (including the right of vote). The substitute shall have a written testament (proxy), signed by the JJIF Vice-President, the President of the JJCU."

b. Proposal to include By-law to Rule 6 (Congress – early information procedures)

b.1 NEW By-law to Rule 6 (it is the same as the By-law to Rule 7 – Session)

1. The JJIF Executive Board is responsible for the organization and preparation of the Congress, including all financial matters relating thereto.
2. The JJIF Congress is formally convened by order of the President.

JJIF Congress 2018 materials (not approved yet)!

3. Notice of the convening of an ordinary JJIF Congress shall be given to all JJNOs (members) at least three months prior to the Congress.
4. Notice of convening an Extraordinary Congress shall be given by the President thirty days prior, together with an agenda which must state the items to be dealt with at the meeting. If an Extra Ordinary Congress is requested by 1/3 of the full members, it shall be so convened by the JJIF Executive Board within sixty days of such request.
5. The President, or, in his absence or incapacity, the Senior Vice-President chairs the JJIF Congress.
6. All resolutions of the JJIF Congress come into effect immediately, unless otherwise decided by the Congress.
7. A matter which is not listed on the agenda of a Congress may be discussed only if one third of the members so requests and only if the Chairman authorizes it.
8. Any matter of procedure concerning the JJIF Congress and votes, which are not covered by the JJIF Statutes, are determined by the Chairman.
9. In case of any urgency, a request for a resolution or decision may be submitted to a vote by correspondence, including via fax or via electronic mail, to the voting members of the JJIF Congress by the JJIF President or by the JJIF Executive Board. Such a resolution or decision shall be valid as if it has been passed at a JJIF Congress where the resolution or decision is approved by not less than fifty per cent (50%) of the all voting members.
10. Minutes of all meetings and other proceedings of the Congress are established under the authority of the President."

c. Proposal to change By-law to Rule 8.4, point 4 and 6 (Executive Board)

c.1 CHANGE By-law to Rule 8.4, point 4

EXISTING TEXT

4. The quorum required for a JJIF Executive Board meeting is seven (7) out of the present Eleven (11) Voting Members.

PROPOSAL OF CHANGE: to delete "seven (7) and add "...is simple majority (6) out of the **Eleven (11) Voting members.**"

c.2 CHANGE By-law to Rule 8.4, point 6

EXISTING TEXT

6. Each member has one vote. Abstentions and blank or spoiled votes are not taken into consideration in the calculation of the required majority. Voting by proxy is not allowed. Voting is held by secret ballot if so required by the JJIF Statutes, or if the Chairman so decides or upon the request of at least a quarter of the members present. In the event of a tie in voting, the Chairman of the meeting shall the casting vote.

PROPOSAL OF CHANGE: to add a coma after sentence "Voting by proxy is not allowed." and add the sentence **"...but the Vice-Presidents, elected Presidents of their JJCU, may be represented by a substitute with the right to vote, pursuant the article 8.2.3 of the Statutes."**