

ACTIVE MEMBER DIOCESE REQUIREMENTS

Happening-A Christian Experiencesm materials and logo are registered intellectual property of Happening National Incorporated. The decision to incorporate was made in 1994 to protect and preserve the weekend as we all know and love it.

In order to ensure the continuity of Happening as a reasonably similar experience for youth no matter when or where they may have experienced the weekend, a Standards and Guidelines Manual (formerly known as the Quality Control Manual) was approved by the National Happening Leadership Conference in 2006, and sets the standards for conducting a weekend. The new manual was cleaned up for typos and grammar and is available on the website www.happeningnational.org.

Happening-A Christian Experiencesm cannot operate without the support of the local Bishop or appropriate Spiritual Authority in the Diocese. Nor is authorization given to use the materials or logo unless the following requirements are met:

A Ministry Agreement (also downloadable from this site), signed by the Bishop, or appropriate Ecclesiastical Authority, must be filed EVERY EVEN NUMBERED YEAR. The Ministry Agreement states that weekends will be conducted following the Standards and Guidelines for the Happening Weekend and that the two following requirements will be met.

Requirements for conducting a weekend

1. The ANNUAL license fee (currently \$150) is to be paid each January, authorizing the Diocese unlimited use of Happening materials and logo (for example on tee shirts and web sites) throughout that year only.
2. A Post Event Profile is filed for each weekend (filing may be submitted electronically from the web site www.Happeningnational.org).

These requirements ensure that wherever and whenever a weekend is offered to the youth of the Church, their weekend experienced will be essentially the same as for any other Happener.

Funds from the licensing fee support the work of the Happening National Committee.

What is the N.H.L.C?

Every even numbered year, HNC offers a National Happening Leadership Conference. This conference is prepared for training leaders for the Happening Movement in all Dioceses. Information about the Conference and Registration forms are available both on the Happening Coordinators Yahoo Group and also on the web site www.Happeningnational.org.

The Conference also serves as the “shareholders meeting” for Happening National Incorporated – the registered holder of the service mark material. At each NHLC, a committee of 6 youth, 3 adults, and 2 clergy, plus alternates, is selected for the following two years. Only persons from dioceses who are Active Member Dioceses are eligible for selection to serve on the Happening National Committee.

In the event that official business needs to be conducted, each Active Member Diocese in attendance at the leadership conference is allowed three votes, regardless of the number of persons in attendance from that diocese.

For these reasons, it is most beneficial for every diocese to maintain active member status.

For other information or answers to questions, contact Randy Winton, Executive Director (email: wintons@gmail.com).