

**REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III  
FACULTY ATHLETICS REPRESENTATIVE (FAR) ADVISORY GROUP  
DECEMBER 8, 2025, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- **None.**

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

- 1. Welcome and introductions.** The meeting was called to order at 1 p.m. Eastern.
- 2. Approval of the September 9 report.** The committee approved the report from the September 9 videoconference.
- 3. Review of highlights from the Presidents and Management Councils' summary of 2025 fall quarterly meetings.**
  - a. Analysis of Division III Key Issues.** The advisory group received an update on the Division III President's Council initiative to identify emerging challenges and strategic risks facing Division III. The membership will be directly engaged at the 2026 NCAA Convention at the Presidents and Chancellors Forum, and the Division III Issues Forum. An update for the advisory group will be included in the March 2026 meeting.
  - b. Proposed Legislation for the 2026 NCAA Convention.** The advisory group reviewed the slate of 16 legislative proposals and one resolution
- 4. Review of FARA positions on 2026 Division III Legislative Proposals.** The Division III members of the Faculty Athletics Representative Association (FARA) took an official position on each of the convention legislative proposals and the resolution at their annual meeting on November 20. The advisory group reviewed the positions with particular focus on the three proposals FARA opposed: Eligibility – Criteria for Determining Season of Eligibility – Minimum Amount of Participation – Only Competition Triggering Use of a Season, Playing Seasons, Add a Mandatory Winter Break, and Automatic Qualification – Multiple Automatic Qualifier Model. A summary is attached.
- 5. Debrief of the 2025 Division III FAR Institute.** The advisory group was highly supportive of continuing to integrate the FAR Institute participants into the FARA Annual Meeting. The group noted the interest, insights and motivation of the participants in the FARA Annual Meeting sessions and highlighted the enhanced networking opportunities for all Division III FARs in attendance at the Annual Meeting. The group will review the findings from the program evaluation and plans for the 2026 FAR Institute at the March 2026 meeting.
- 6. Future Meetings.** A poll will be distributed to determine dates and times for the 2026 quarterly meetings.

7. **Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 2 p.m. Eastern.

*Advisory Group Chair: Rob Larson, Luther College.*

*Staff Support: Eric Hartung, Division III Governance*

| NCAA Division III Faculty Athletics Representative Advisory Group<br>December 8, 2025, Videoconference |  |
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| <b>Attendees:</b>                                                                                      |  |
| JoAnne Bullard, Rowan University.                                                                      |  |
| Stanton Ching, Connecticut College.                                                                    |  |
| Renee Jourdanais, Marywood University.                                                                 |  |
| Rob Larson, Luther College.                                                                            |  |
| Karen Thompson-Wolfe, Westminster College (Missouri).                                                  |  |
| <b>Absentees:</b>                                                                                      |  |
| Mark Crucea, Ohio Northern University.                                                                 |  |
| Brian Wigley, Shenandoah University.                                                                   |  |
| <b>NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:</b>                                                               |  |
| Eric Hartung                                                                                           |  |
| <b>Additional NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>                                                    |  |
| Bill Regan                                                                                             |  |