



# FARA VOICE

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Welcome to the October issue of FARA Voice! As I indicated in last month's issue, this will be an expanded edition, with articles by a number of members of FARA's executive committee. In an attempt to reach FARs who may not be receiving the issues of FARA Voice in its electronic format, the executive committee decided also to mail out the October issue in hard copy. In the event you are receiving FARA Voice for the first time in hard copy form, which will be identical in content to the electronic version, please send me your e-mail address so we can add your name to our list of e-mail subscribers. This is especially important, since the only issue we plan to send out in hard copy is this October issue. You can send your e-mail address to me at [hauseraj@appstate.edu](mailto:hauseraj@appstate.edu), or to Karen Cooper at [kcooper@NCAA.org](mailto:kcooper@NCAA.org).

It is just a few short weeks until the FARA Fall Forum in New Orleans, and the excitement is growing. As you will see in the first item following my comments, we have a great program for our meeting, with many informative and helpful sessions, including not only the very useful divisional legislative review sessions, but also best practices and divisional issues sessions, an orientation session for new FARs, an address to FARA by former NCAA President Ced Dempsey, a session titled "Tested by the Storm: Universities and Conferences in the Aftermath of Katrina," divisional empowerment sessions, divisional empowerment plan workshops, a division I-A FAR meeting, and the awards dinner, during which the Byers Scholarship winners are presented, as well as the winner of the David Knight Award. For a more complete list of activities at this meeting packed with important and interesting sessions, see the agenda listed below for the FARA Fall Forum. Following the agenda is a form you can use to register for the meeting. You can also download the registration form and obtain further details on the FARA Web site at: <http://org.clon.edu/ncaafara/FARAFF06.html>

Next is a piece by Sandra Slabik, Division III Vice President, presenting the changes in the FARA Bylaws that will be voted on during the FARA business meeting at the 2007 NCAA Convention. While some of these changes are clarifications of wording or adjustments due to changes in the NCAA Manual, there are also some significant content changes you will want to be familiar with before you vote.

The third article, by President Lorrie Clemo and President-Elect Dennis Leighton, lists the candidates and describes the election procedures to be followed as new officers and executive committee members are chosen for 2007. Note especially Lorrie's description of the duties and rewards associated with being a member of the executive committee, and Dennis' description of the voting procedures.

Dennis then describes the donations project that has been undertaken by the executive committee in order to help the people of New Orleans recover from the devastation of Hurricane Katrina. Dennis notes that \$2,500 has already been raised, but we can surely do more. Let's get behind this project! Please note that you can make a donation using the form that is included in this newsletter.

The next article is by Robert C. Ziegenfus, Division II Vice President, discussing the guiding principles that have been developed by the executive committee. These principles will help focus the planning and decision making of the executive committee as it addresses issues and topics of importance in intercollegiate athletics. We welcome your comments concerning these principles.

The final article, also by Lorrie Clemo, discusses a new partnership that has been formed between FARA and the national Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC). Input from student athletes is always important, especially when we are considering legislative proposals. As Lorrie indicates, beginning in October several national SAAC representatives will serve on FARA's divisional legislative review committees. We greatly appreciate their participation in this way.

We hope you enjoy this expanded issue of FARA Voice. As always, we welcome your comments and suggestions.

*Alan J. Hauser, editor  
Division I Vice President*



# 2006 FARA Fall Forum TENTATIVE AGENDA

## Thursday, November 16

8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	<b>Registration</b>
10 – 11 a.m.	<b>Orientation for New FARs</b> ( <u>All</u> FARs are welcome)
Noon – 12:15 p.m.	<b>Opening Remarks</b> <i>Lorrie Clemo (FARA President), FAR, State University of New York at Oswego</i>
12:20 – 1:30 p.m.	<b>Observations from the Other Side</b> <i>Ced Dempsey, Former President of the NCAA</i>
1:40 – 2:30 p.m.	<b>Business Session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proposed bylaw changes.</li> <li>• Voting procedures for executive committee elections.</li> <li>• New FARA Website.</li> <li>• Proposed guiding Principles.</li> </ul> <i>Lorrie Clemo (FARA President), FAR, State University of New York at Oswego</i>
2:50 – 4:30 p.m.	<b>Division I – Best Practices and Divisional Issues</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The APR and the Impact of Removing the Confidence Boundaries.</li> <li>• The Academic Recovery Plan.</li> <li>• Student-Athlete Well Being.</li> </ul> <i>Tom Adair, (FARA executive committee), FAR, Texas A&amp;M University NCAA Research Staff NCAA Staff Ian Gray, University of Nebraska Julie Cromer, Director of Membership Services, NCAA Kerry Howland, Assistant Director, Thornton Athletics Student Life Center, University of Tennessee – Knoxville</i>
2:50 – 4:30 p.m.	<b>Division II – Best Practices and Divisional Issues</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developing a Best Practices Web Site.</li> </ul> <i>Robert Ziegenfus, (FARA Vice-President,) FAR, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania</i>
2:50 – 4:30 p.m.	<b>Division III – Best Practices and Divisional Issues</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Integration.</li> <li>• Student-Athlete Class Conflicts.</li> <li>• Position Description.</li> <li>• FAR Interaction with the Campus SAAC.</li> </ul> <i>Debbie Lazorik, Director of Athletics, Marietta College FARA executive committee</i>
5 – 6 p.m.	<b>Open time for conference meetings</b> Please contact your conference commissioner to determine if your conference will be conducting a meeting.
6 – 8 p.m.	<b>Reception and Awards Dinner</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation of Byers Scholarship Winners. <i>Annie Kearns, Assistant Director of Research, NCAA Lee Meserve, FAR, Bowling Green State University</i></li> <li>• Presentation of David Knight Award. (Award Recipient: Cedric Dempsey) <i>Percy Bates, FAR, University of Michigan Kevin Lennon, Vice-President of Membership Services, NCAA</i></li> </ul>

## Friday, November 17

7:30 – 10 a.m.	<b>Registration</b>
7:30 – 8:30 a.m.	<b>Second Century Imperatives.</b> (Breakfast will be provided) <i>Myles Brand, President, NCAA</i>

8:40 – 10 a.m.	<b>Tested by the Storm: Universities and Conferences in the Aftermath of Katrina</b> <i>FARA executive committee</i> <i>NCAA Staff</i> <i>Scott Cowan, President, Tulane University</i> <i>Gary Roberts, FAR, Tulane University</i> <i>James Miller, Director of Athletics, University of New Orleans</i> <i>Britton Banowsky, Commissioner, Conference USA</i>
10:20 – 11:50 a.m.	<b>Division I – Empowerment Sessions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How FARA Can Benefit the FAR.</li> <li>• FAR Accessibility to Campus Leadership and Building Effective Relationships with Faculty Governance.</li> </ul> <i>FARA executive committee</i>
10:20 – 11:50 a.m.	<b>Division II – Empowerment Sessions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DII FAR Empowerment, Part I: Working with Conferences and Faculty Senates – Panel Discussions by DII FARs.</li> </ul> <i>Cecil Carter, (FARA executive committee), FAR, Florida Gulf Coast University</i>
10:20 – 11:50 a.m.	<b>Division III – Empowerment Sessions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Empowerment at the Conference Level.</li> <li>• Empowerment at the National Level.</li> <li>• Empowerment through Programmatic Crises.</li> </ul> <i>FARA executive committee</i>
Noon – 1 p.m.	<b>Mentoring Opportunities</b> (Lunch provided)
1:05 – 2 p.m.	<b>Preliminary Findings from the Growth, Opportunities, Aspirations and Learning of Students in college (GOALS)</b> <i>NCAA Research Staff</i>
2:05 – 5 p.m.	<b>Division I – Current Issues and Legislative Review</b> <i>NCAA Staff</i> <i>FARA executive committee</i>
2:05 – 5 p.m.	<b>Division II – Current Issues and Legislative Review</b> <i>NCAA Staff</i> <i>FARA executive committee</i> <i>William Hudson, FAR, St. Cloud State University</i> <i>Brenda Cates, FAR, Mount Olive College</i>
2:05 – 5 p.m.	<b>Division III – Current Issues and Legislative Review</b> <i>FARA executive committee</i> <i>NCAA Governance Staff</i>
5 – 6 p.m.	<b>Division I-A FAR Meeting</b> <i>Percy Bates, FAR, University of Michigan</i>

### Saturday, November 18

**(a special gift will be provided to Saturday attendees)**

7:45 – 8:30 a.m.	<b>Networking Opportunities</b> (Breakfast and a gift will be provided)
8:35 a.m. – Noon	<b>Division I – Empowerment Plan Workshop</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FAR Interaction with the Campus SAAC.</li> <li>• Becoming More Involved in Governance within your Conference and within the NCAA Governance Structure.</li> </ul> <i>FARA executive committee</i>
8:35 a.m. – Noon	<b>Division II – Empowerment Plan Workshop</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Who We Are: A Profile of DII FARs as Compiled from the FAR Survey.</li> <li>• Becoming a Super FAR: An Initial Effort at Establishing Mentoring Relationship.</li> </ul> <i>Denise DeHass, NCAA Research Contractor</i> <i>FARA executive committee</i>
8:35 a.m. – Noon	<b>Division III – Empowerment Plan Workshop</b> <i>FARA executive committee</i>



The Faculty Athletics Representatives Association (FARA) invites you to attend the  
**2006 FARA Fall Forum**  
 November 16-18, 2006 New Orleans

**FORUM INFORMATION:** The registration fee of \$175 per person includes entry to all sessions, a reception and the awards dinner on Thursday, a breakfast and a luncheon on Friday, a breakfast on Saturday, refreshment breaks on Thursday and Friday, a FARA gift at registration, and all Forum materials. **There will be an additional gift given on Saturday morning for all Saturday attendees.** The deadline for registration is **October 11, 2006**. Companion tickets are available for the Thursday reception and dinner at a cost of \$40 per person. Single rooms at the Sheraton New Orleans are \$150 per night. Reservations for the Sheraton New Orleans must be made through FARA using this form in order to receive the FARA rate and must be received not later than **October 11, 2006** to be guaranteed. See enclosed documents for further information on the Forum.

**FEES:** Please make your check payable to the NCAA. You may also use Visa, MasterCard or American Express.

**REFUND AND CANCELLATION POLICIES:** FARA reserves the right to cancel or make changes in the conference arrangements and program. A refund of the fee will be made if written cancellation is received before October 20, 2006. If the conference is cancelled, the entire fee will be refunded.

**REGISTRATION FORM:** Please send this completed registration form with your check or credit card information by **October 11, 2006** to:

Karen Cooper, 2006 FARA Fall Forum  
 P. O. Box 6222, Indianapolis, Indiana 46206  
 Fax: 317/917-6364  
 Contact Ms. Cooper at 317/917-6307 or [kcooper@ncaa.org](mailto:kcooper@ncaa.org), with questions.

**ATTENDEE INFORMATION** (Please print or type. Complete a separate form for each attendee.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization/Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

NCAA Division:  IA  IAA  IAAA  II  III

Faculty/administrative position (other than FAR): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

May we publish your e-mail address in the Forum materials?  Yes  No

To which conference does your institution belong? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been an FAR? \_\_\_\_\_ years Is this the first time you have attended a FARA Fall Forum?  Yes  No

I will be attending the awards banquet on Thursday evening (cost is included in registration fee).

I will not be attending the awards banquet on Thursday evening.

**REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

Registration fee (\$175)  Companion reception/dinner fee (\$40)

**METHOD OF PAYMENT**

Check payable to NCAA attached.

Credit card (check one)  Visa  MasterCard  American Express

Card number \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. date: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**LODGING INFORMATION**

Please reserve a room for me at the Sheraton New Orleans.

Arrival date: 11/\_\_\_\_\_/2006 Departure date: 11/\_\_\_\_\_/2006

Special needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card: (check one)  Visa  MasterCard  American Express

Card number \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. date: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized signature: \_\_\_\_\_

I will not be staying at the Sheraton New Orleans and will handle other lodging arrangements on my own.

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN NEW ORLEANS!**

**Don't forget to use the enclosed form to make your donation to the hurricane relief efforts!!**

## Proposed Bylaw Changes and Justifications

Sandra Slabik, FARA Division III Vice President

The following bylaw changes will be voted on at the 2007 NCAA Convention during the FARA business meeting on Saturday. Included with the changes are the justifications for those changes. As you will see, there are only a few changes that actually involve content changes. The most significant is the proposed change that moves the “official” FARA business meeting and elections from the NCAA Convention to the FARA Forum in the fall. This is being proposed because attendance is historically greater at the FARA Fall Forum than at the business meetings at the NCAA Convention. This also will result in the newly elected members to the executive committee assuming their positions at the conclusion of the Forum. Another change is that appointments to the legislative review committee will now be one year renewable terms. Some other proposed new language explicitly states that in order to run for an executive position in FARA, the FAR must be a member in good standing of FARA serving as the FAR for their institution. All other changes are clarifications of wording, correcting reference information to the NCAA manual, movement of information to a different location, or supporting the changes mentioned above.

### Proposed Changes to FARA Bylaws

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2	2 (f) (1)	Maintaining athletics programs as a vital part of the educational program and ensuring that student-athletes are an integral part of the student body (NCA Constitution 2.2.5)	Maintaining athletics programs as a vital part of the educational program and ensuring that student-athletes are an integral part of the student body (NCA Constitution 2.5)	This changes only the reference to the NCAA Bylaws.
2	2 (f) (2)	Ensuring that participation in intercollegiate athletics is motivated primarily by the educational, physical, mental and social benefits to be derived, so that a clear line of demarcation between amateur and professional sports is maintained (NCAA Constitution 2.8 and Bylaw 12.01.2).	Ensuring that participation in intercollegiate athletics is motivated primarily by the educational, physical, mental and social benefits to be derived, so that a clear line of demarcation between amateur and professional sports is maintained (NCAA Constitution 2.9 and Bylaw 12.01.2).	This changes only the reference to the NCAA Bylaws.
2	2 (f) (5)	Compliance with all applicable rules and regulations of the NCAA and monitoring intercollegiate athletics programs to ensure such compliance (NCAA Constitution 2.7)	Compliance with all applicable rules and regulations of the NCAA and monitoring intercollegiate athletics programs to ensure such compliance (NCAA Constitution 2.8)	This changes only the reference to the NCAA Bylaws.
3	3 (b)	Conditions of Membership: members will remain in good standing as long as they occupy the position of institutional FAR. It is expected that members will attend FARA meetings as regularly as possible.	Conditions of Membership: Members will remain in good standing as long as they occupy the position of institutional FAR.	Redundant. Article 3 (c) was added a few years ago, and this can now be removed.
3	4 (a)	<u>Officers of FARA.</u> The officers of FARA will be President, President-Elect, Division I Vice President, Division II Vice President, Division III Vice President, and Secretary-Treasurer. The non-renewable term of office for each officer shall be one (1) year except for the Secretary-Treasurer who shall serve a two-year renewable term.	<u>Officers of FARA.</u> The officers of FARA will be President, President-Elect, Immediate Past President, Division I Vice President, Division II Vice President, Division III Vice President, and Secretary-Treasurer. The non-renewable term of office for each officer shall be one (1) year except for the Secretary-Treasurer who shall serve a two-year renewable term.	Includes the Immediate Past President as an officer of FARA.
3	4 (b) (1)	<u>President.</u> The President is the chief executive officer of FARA and chairperson of the executive committee. He/she will be responsible for the agenda for the annual FARA Fall Forum and planning and administering the affairs of FARA in a way that furthers the mission and purposes of the organization. He/she will, subject to the approval of the executive committee, make any appointments called for by these bylaws or other appointments considered	<u>President.</u> The President is the chief executive officer of FARA and chairperson of the executive committee. He/she will be responsible for the agenda for the annual FARA Fall Forum, the FARA programming at the NCAA Convention, and planning and administering the affairs of FARA in a way that furthers the mission and purposes of the organization. He/she will, subject to the approval of the executive committee, make any appointments called for by these	This clarifies the duties of the President. It also clarifies that that at the conclusion of his or her term as President, this person automatically assumes the position of Past-President.

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		necessary to conduct the affairs of FARA. The President will be a member of the Nominating Committee and serve as chair.	bylaws or other appointments considered necessary to conduct the affairs of FARA. The President will be a member of the Nominating Committee and serve as chair. At the conclusion of his/her term as President, he/she will assume the role of Immediate Past President.	
3	4 (b) (2)	<u>President-Elect.</u> The President-Elect will serve as a general assistant to the President, carrying out such duties as the President may assign him/her. He/she will serve as a member of the executive committee and the Nominating Committee. He/she will serve as President in case of the President's absence. In the event of the inability of the President to continue to serve, the President-Elect will assume the duties of the President and perform all duties of the President. Any time served by the President-Elect as president will not be counted as time served as President.	<u>President-Elect.</u> The President-Elect will serve as a general assistant to the President, carrying out such duties as the President may assign him/her. He/she will serve as a member of the executive committee and the Nominating Committee. He/she will serve as President Pro-Tem in case of the President's absence. In the event of the inability of the President to continue to serve, the President-Elect will assume the duties of the President and perform all duties of the President. Any time served by the President-Elect as president will not be counted as time served as President. At the conclusion of his/her term as President-Elect, he/she will assume the role of President.	Clarifies that the President-elect serves pro-tem if the President is unavailable. Also clarifies that at the conclusion of his or her term as President-Elect, this person automatically assumes the position of President.
3	4 (b) (3)	<u>Division I Vice President.</u> The Division I Vice President will have responsibility for planning FARA meetings based on recommendations of the President, President-Elect, and the executive committee. He/she will serve as a member of the executive committee and represent Division I's interests in all aspects of his/her duties. He/she will serve as President in case of the President and President-Elect's absence or inability to serve.	<u>Division I Vice President.</u> The Division I Vice President will have responsibility for planning FARA meetings based on recommendations of the President, President-Elect, and the executive committee. He/she will serve as a member of the executive committee and represent Division I's interests in all aspects of his/her duties. He/she will serve as President Pro-Tem in case of the President and President-Elect's absence or inability to serve.	Clarifies that the Division I Vice-President serves pro-tem if the President and President-elect are unavailable.
4	4 (b) (4)	<u>Division II Vice President.</u> The Division II Vice President will serve as a member of the executive committee and represent Division II's interests in all aspects of his/her duties.	<u>Division II Vice President.</u> The Division II Vice President will have responsibility for planning FARA meetings based on recommendations of the President, President-Elect, and the executive committee. He/she will serve as a member of the executive committee and represent Division II's interests in all aspects of his/her duties.	Clarifies the role of the Divisional Vice-Presidents in planning of FARA meetings.
4	4 (b) (5)	<u>Division III Vice President.</u> The Division II Vice President will serve as a member of the executive committee and represent Division II's interests in all aspects of his/her duties.	<u>Division III Vice President.</u> The Division II Vice President will have responsibility for planning FARA meetings based on recommendations of the President, President-Elect, and the executive committee. He/she will serve as a member of the executive committee and represent Division II's interests in all aspects of his/her duties.	Clarifies the role of the Divisional Vice-Presidents in planning of FARA meetings.
4	4 (b) (6)	<u>Secretary-Treasurer.</u> The Secretary-Treasurer shall be responsible for recording minutes of the FARA executive committee and business meetings, filing and preserving FARA's official records, preparing the FARA budget in consultation with the President and designated NCAA staff, reporting on budgetary matters at FARA business meetings, assembling and coordinating materials for possible publication in the <i>NCAA News</i> or general newsletter mailings, collecting and	<u>Secretary-Treasurer.</u> The Secretary-Treasurer shall be responsible for recording minutes of the FARA executive committee and business meetings, filing and preserving FARA's official records, managing the FARA budget in accordance with the FARA executive committee financial policies, reporting on budgetary matters at FARA business meetings, assembling and coordinating materials for possible publication in the <i>NCAA News</i> or general newsletter mailings, and collecting	Clarifies the Secretary-Treasurer's role on the formulation and management of the FARA budget, along with the reporting responsibilities of the Secretary-Treasurer to the executive committee and the general membership.

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		distributing biographical information on candidates for election to FARA positions, and overseeing the FARA web site. He/she will serve on the executive committee.	and distributing biographical information on candidates for election to FARA positions. The Secretary-Treasurer will serve as a member of the executive committee.	
4	4 (b) (7)	<u>Immediate Past President</u> . The Immediate Past President will serve as a member of the Nominating Committee.	<u>Immediate Past President</u> . The Immediate Past President will serve as a member of the executive committee and the Nominating Committee. He/she will assist the President by performing duties assigned by the President.	Clarifies that the Immediate Past President is a member of the executive committee, and clarifies the duties of the Immediate Past President.
5	5 (d)	<u>Vacancies</u> . Unanticipated vacancies on the executive committee or among the officers, may be filled by an emergency appointment.	<u>Vacancies</u> . Unanticipated vacancies on the executive committee or among the officers, except the President, may be filled by an emergency appointment at the discretion of the executive committee. The appointed individual will serve for the duration of the unexpired term. This person will be eligible for election to a subsequent full term.	This section was moved from Article Six to Article Five, as it is applicable to executive committee functions as opposed to elections. This also clarifies the process of filling a vacancy, with nominations and voting processes stated.
5	6 (a) (2)	The committee will meet in late spring to prepare a slate of candidates. The slate of candidates shall not exceed two nominations per office. The membership can nominate additional candidates by submitting to the President a nominating petition signed by at least five (5) FARA members. All nominees should submit a biography to the Secretary-Treasurer. The slate shall be published on the FARA Web site following the Fall Forum.	The committee will prepare a slate of candidates by June 15 and will solicit nominations from the membership. The membership can nominate additional candidates by submitting to the President a nominating petition endorsed by at least five (5) FARA members by September 1. Candidates should submit a biography to the Secretary-Treasurer. The slate shall be published on the FARA Web site and in other appropriate publications by September 15.	This clarifies the process by which the nominating committee prepares the slate of candidates.  A major change is that the elections will now take place at the Fall Forum, rather than the NCAA Convention, with executive committee members assuming their positions at the conclusion of the Fall Forum. Subsequent proposed changes further clarify this process.
5	6 (a) (3)		All candidates must be FARA members in good standing.	This is new language. It was never explicitly stated that in order to run for a position on the executive committee, the candidate must be a member in good standing of FARA, which means that they must be the FAR of their institution. This makes this prior assumption explicit.
5	6 (a) (4)	Nominations will be closed at the conclusion of the Fall Forum.	Nominations will close on September 1.	This change reflects the move to Fall Forum elections.
5	6 (b) (1)	The officers will be elected by the FARA membership, excluding provisional members. Balloting will be concluded by the end of the NCAA Convention by mail ballot or by other means determined by the executive committee.	The President-Elect and Secretary-Treasurer will be elected by the FARA membership, excluding provisional members. Balloting will be done electronically on the FARA Web site or by other means determined by the executive committee. Balloting will conclude on November 1.	This clarifies that the entire membership elects the President-Elect and the Secretary-Treasurer. It also clarifies how the balloting will be conducted, and further reflects the change to Fall elections.
6	6 (b) (2)	Divisional Representatives: Balloting for these positions will be conducted concurrently with the officer elections. Voting will be by division (I, II and III) with FARA members of the individual divisions electing only their representatives and Vice Presidents.	Vice Presidents and Divisional Representatives: Balloting for these positions will be conducted concurrently with the officer elections. Voting will be by division (I, II and III) with FARA members of the individual divisions electing only their representatives and Vice Presidents.	This clarifies that Divisional Vice-Presidents and Representatives are elected only by membership of their particular division.
6	6 (c)	<u>Commencement of terms</u> : Incoming officers and executive committee member's terms will begin at the close of the NCAA Convention.	<u>Commencement of terms</u> : Incoming officers and executive committee member's terms will begin at the close of the FARA Fall Forum.	Reflects the change to terms beginning and ending at the Fall Forum as opposed to the NCAA Convention.
6	6 (d)	<u>Vacancies</u> : Unanticipated vacancies on the executive or among the officers will be filled by an emergency appointment made by the executive committee. The appointed individual will serve for the duration of the unexpired term. This person will be eligible for election to a		Moved to Article Five (see above).

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		subsequent full term.		
6	7 (a)	FARA shall meet annually in conjunction with the FARA Fall Forum. FARA may also meet at other times if the executive committee deems such meetings to be necessary. Additionally, FARA shall hold an annual FARA Forum. All meetings are chaired by the President.	FARA shall conduct a business meeting annually in conjunction with the FARA Fall Forum. An additional meeting may be conducted at the NCAA Convention if deemed necessary by the executive committee. FARA may also meet at other times if the executive committee deems such meetings to be necessary. All meetings are chaired by the President.	The primary business meeting of FARA will now be held at the Fall Forum, as opposed to the NCAA Convention. Since more FARs attend the Fall Forum as opposed to the Convention, and since obtaining unopposed meeting times at the Convention is virtually impossible, the move to the Fall Forum seems logical.
6	7 (b)	The executive committee meets in conjunction with the Forum, the NCAA Convention, and other times as the President shall deem necessary.	The executive committee meets annually in the spring and in conjunction with the FARA Fall Forum, the NCAA Convention, and other times as the President shall deem necessary.	Clarifies that the executive committee regularly meets in the Spring for its annual planning session.
6	8 (a) (1)	The Division I LRC shall be composed of four (4) members, two (2) from Division I-A and one (1) each from Divisions I-AA, and I-AAA. The members shall be appointed by the President in consultation with the executive committee to two-year terms staggered so that one I-A and a I-AA or I-AAA member is appointed each year.. The President will designate one member to serve as the chair of the committee.	The Division I LRC shall be composed of four (4) members, two (2) from Division I-A and one (1) each from Divisions I-AA, and I-AAA. The members shall be appointed by the President in consultation with the executive committee to a one-year term. The President will designate one (1) member to serve as the chair of the committee.	Appointments to the Legislative Review Committees will now be one-year, renewable appointments.
7	8 (a) (2)	The Division II and Division III LRCs shall each be composed of three members. The members shall be appointed by the President in consultation with the executive committee to two-year staggered terms so that at least one new member is appointed to the committee each year. Additional members may be appointed by the President on an ad-hoc basis. The President will designate one member to serve as the chair of each committee.	The Division II and Division III LRCs shall each be composed of three (3) members. The members shall be appointed by the President in consultation with the executive committee to a one-year term. Additional members may be appointed by the President on an ad-hoc basis. The President will designate one (1) member to serve as the chair of each committee.	Appointments to the Legislative Review Committees will now be one-year, renewable appointments.
7	8 (b)	<u>Awards Committee:</u> The executive committee as a whole will serve as the Awards Committee. This committee will solicit nominations from the membership for the David Knight Award for Outstanding Service to FARA, and select the recipients. Recipients will be chosen on the basis of their extraordinary contributions to FARA, and need not be members of FARA. This award will be presented at the FARA Fall Forum.	<u>Awards Committee:</u> The executive committee as a whole will serve as the Awards Committee. This committee will solicit nominations from the membership for the David Knight Award for Outstanding Service to FARA, and select the recipients. Recipients will be chosen on the basis of their extraordinary contributions to FARA, and need not be members of FARA. This award is not required to be given each year. This award will be presented at the FARA Fall Forum.	Clarifies that the David Knight Award need not be awarded each year if the executive committee does not feel there is a deserving candidate.
8	10 (a) (2)	Proposed amendments shall be distributed in writing to the membership at least 30 days before the opening day of the meeting at which the amendment is to be considered for adoption.	Proposed amendments shall be distributed in writing and via the FARA Web site to the membership at least 30 days before the opening day of the business meeting at which the amendment is to be considered for adoption.	Clarifies how proposed changes will be distributed.
8	10 (a) (3)	Amendments to proposed amendments may be presented from the floor of the meeting at which the proposed amendments are considered.	Amendments to proposed amendments may be presented from the floor of the business meeting at which the proposed amendments are considered. Approval of amendments to amendments shall require a simple majority of the members present and voting.	Clarifies the process of presenting an amendment to a proposed amendment from the floor of the business meeting, and clarifies the majority necessary to carry the amendment to the proposed amendment.

# Nominations and Elections Report

Lorrie Clemo, FARA President

Dennis Leighton, FARA President-Elect

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As FARA President and chair of the Nominating Committee it is my responsibility to report to the membership a slate of candidates for officers and members of the 2007 FARA executive committee. The nominating committee is composed of the President, President-Elect, and Immediate Past President. We are pleased to report that the following individuals have agreed to be put forth as candidates in the upcoming election:

<b>President-Elect:</b>	Alan Hauser (Appalachian State University) Robert Ziegenfus (Kutztown University of Pennsylvania)
<b>Div I Vice-President:</b>	Roger Caves (San Diego State University)
<b>Div II Vice-President:</b>	Cecil Carter (Florida Gulf Coast University)
<b>Div III Vice-President:</b>	Dan Fulks (Transylvania University)
<b>Div IA:</b>	Rhonda Hatcher (Texas Christian University)
<b>Div IAA:</b>	Kim Capriotti (Jacksonville University)
<b>Div II:</b>	Joe Cantanese (Saint Anselm College)
<b>Div III:</b>	Ralph Bertrand (Colorado College)

The membership is invited to nominate additional candidates by submitting to the FARA President a nomination petition endorsed by at least five (5) FARA members. Nominations from the membership will be accepted through the close of the Fall Forum, November 18, 2006 at noon. As governed by our bylaws, all candidates must be FARA members in good standing. A member remains in good standing as long as they occupy the position of institutional FAR. Members can review the slate of candidates and their brief biographical profiles on the FARA website following the close of the nomination period.

If you are considering candidacy for a committee vacancy, it may be helpful to have a clear understanding of what responsibilities and time commitments are involved in serving on the executive committee. The fifteen members of the executive committee meet three times annually in the spring and in conjunction with the FARA Fall Forum and the NCAA Convention. Additionally, the executive committee holds monthly conference calls and works independently and in subcommittee format on special assignments, including the monthly publishing of FARA Voice and preparing legislative review reports, commenting on critical athletic issues, and planning and programming for the Fall Forum and NCAA Convention. Serving on the executive committee is an extremely rewarding and gratifying experience which affords endless opportunities to meet colleagues with similar interests and keep abreast of issues that affect the well-being of student-athletes. If you have specific questions about serving, feel free to contact any member of the executive committee; they are more than happy to share with you their personal experience as a member of the committee.

## FARA VOTING PROCEDURES

The FARA executive committee has agreed to pursue electronic voting for FARA elections this fall. The executive committee is in discussions with a Web-based election service to conduct the voting. Once nominations are closed at the Fall Forum, and the ballot is set, the executive committee will work with the election service to complete the ballot. Each FAR will then receive an e-mail with a link to the election web site. Your link will bring you to a ballot specific for your NCAA division. The service will tabulate the voting, and will ensure that each FAR votes only once.

More information on this process will be announced at the Fall Forum.

## FARA HURRICANE RELIEF DONATION EFFORT

As you probably know, FARA is leading a fund-raising effort to benefit the City Park of New Orleans. This effort is in conjunction with FARA's Fall Forum visit to New Orleans. All FARs, whether attending the Fall Forum or not, are encouraged to make a contribution to this project. You may also find that your institution may make a matching donation; it couldn't hurt to ask!

The City Park of New Orleans was devastated during Hurricane Katrina. Nearly all aspects of the park received overwhelming damage, including the loss of over 1000 trees and devastation to the golf course and playing fields. Damage estimates approach \$85,000,000! Prior to Katrina, the park hosted over 11 million visitors annually. The Park is slowly reopening, but is operating with a staff of only about 10% of previous levels.

FARA's donation project will be used to provide much-needed athletic equipment. This equipment will be used by New Orleans children for years to come. The plan is for the FARA executive committee to present a check to Park administrators the day before the Fall Forum.

As of September 15, the donation fund is up to approximately \$2,500. As we approach the Fall Forum, please consider making a contribution. You can send a check directly to Karen Cooper at the NCAA National Office, or you can include the contribution with your Fall Forum registration. Checks should be made payable to "NCAA" with "FARA Hurricane Relief" in the memo portion of the check. You can also make a donation with your credit card through the National Office.

Faculty athletics representatives understand the value of sport as part of a healthy lifestyle. The FARA Hurricane Relief effort will allow the children of New Orleans this same opportunity. Consider your part in this effort.



### I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO THE NEW ORLEANS CITY PARK.

I AM ENCLOSING A CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Made payable to NCAA, "FARA Hurricane Relief" in memo portion of check.)

I WILL DONATE \$ \_\_\_\_\_ USING MY CREDIT CARD (information below).

Credit Card:  Visa  MasterCard  American Express

Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorizing Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

I PLEDGE \$ \_\_\_\_\_ AND WILL BRING THE DONATION TO THE FALL FORUM (Cash or check only).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form to:

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NCAA/FARA

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# A Progress Report on the Development of Guiding Principles

Robert Ziegenfus, FARA Division II Vice-President

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One part of the Communications Initiative I described in the July issue of the FARA Voice is the development of Guiding Principles. These principles will be designed to serve as an essential tool as the FARA executive board continues its work to enhance both internal and external communications. For the internal component, Guiding Principles will be the basis for planning and decision-making about the range of potential topics for our time and attention. Priorities must be established as the executive board cannot devote unlimited amounts of time to all the myriad concerns that emerge during the course of any one academic year. For the external component, Guiding Principles will provide a clear statement about what FARA values. This will create a substantive basis for comments made by the executive board representatives when speaking to media and non-media personnel about the FARA position on all matters.

We are currently creating and evaluating an initial set of Guiding Principles. My goal is to have a draft prepared for executive board review by the FARA meeting in New Orleans. At that time, the executive board will determine the next step in the process.

Here are the precepts we are using for the development of the Guiding Principles (courtesy of Kay Hawes, Sport Association Management, Inc.):

## **What are Guiding Principles?**

- They are brief, clear statements that express the basic tenets of the organization.
- They are statements that help an organization articulate its values.
- They often serve as an intermediary step between a mission statement or statement of purpose and the implementation of programs and policies.

## **Why might an organization want Guiding Principles?**

- They help those within the organization understand the basic tenets of the group.
- They help the organization's leaders make wise choices on behalf of the organization.
- They help when planning future initiatives.
- They help the organization's leaders articulate what the organization values.

## **What do Guiding Principles have to do with the media?**

- Having a set of established Guiding Principles permits designated spokesperson(s) to articulate the organization's views on many topics without convening a meeting or conference call to discuss the issues.
- Guiding Principles are typically posted on a public Web site, giving the media an idea of where the organization stands. Sometimes that leads to media exposure when a particular issue arises in the media.

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## **FARA and SAAC Launch Partnership to Review 2007 Legislative Proposals**

Lorrie Clemo, FARA President

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Early this summer while participating in the NCAA National Leadership Conference in Orlando Florida, a quiet conversation with National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee representative Katie Street (Golf, Boise State University) sparked an idea that has resulted in a new partnership between the Faculty Athletics Representatives Association (FARA) and the National Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC).

During a team building exercise, Sara and I were sharing thoughts about a specific legislative proposal when the conversation turned to how student-athletes get their message out to the voting membership on a national level. While

many campus SAACs are well organized and effectively integrated into the campus or conference level legislative review process, many play a more limited role in the discussions that effectively lead up to an institution's decision to cast their vote one way or the other. It seemed to me that because FARs are charged with overseeing the academic integrity and maintenance of the well-being of student-athletes, we have a responsibility to do a better job of engaging student-athletes in discussions about legislation that ultimately impacts them most directly. This new partnership was developed to give student-athletes and faculty athletics representatives an opportunity to discuss, debate, and examine positions on issues, not unlike the exchanges that take place in our classrooms.

Beginning in October, several national SAAC representatives will begin serving as members of FARAs Legislative Review Committees. They will provide the committee with a student-athlete perspective and serve as an important resource for faculty throughout the legislative review process. The student-athletes will be engaged at every level of debate with the faculty athletics representatives. As members of the committee, SAAC representatives will be in part responsible for preparing a legislative review report that serves as a guide for FARs in discussions with their CEOs. With the help of NCAA division directors Beth Debauche, Terri Steeb, and Bridget Belgiovine, in addition to Becky Ahlgren, associate director of education outreach, and Sarah McGinnis, assistant director of education outreach, the following student-athletes have been selected to serve on the 2006 FARA legislative review committees:

Division I: Michael Piscetelli (Men's Track and Field, Wake Forest University), Anna Chappel (Women's Basketball, University of Arizona)

Division II: Carey Demos (Volleyball, Bentley College), Justine Fonte (Tennis, University of California, San Diego)

Division III: Steven Suggs (Lacrosse, Stevens Institute of Technology), Kayla Hinkley (Field Hockey, University of New England)

FARA is very excited about the opportunity to work closely with national SAAC and hope that this inaugural year proves to be mutually beneficial for both faculty and student-athletes as we work together to advance the student-athlete experience.



## DATES TO REMEMBER

### **FARA FALL FORUM**

**NOVEMBER 16-18, 2006 - SHERATON NEW ORLEANS**

**(REGISTRATION FORMS HAVE BEEN MAILED. IF ADDITIONAL FORMS ARE NEEDED,  
PLEASE GO TO [HTTP://ORG.ELON.EDU/NCAAFARA/FARA.HTML](http://org.elon.edu/ncaafara/fara.html).)**

**DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION: OCTOBER 11**

### **NCAA CONVENTION**

**JANUARY 5-9, 2007 - ORLANDO, FLORIDA**

**(REGISTRATION NOW OPEN ON [WWW.NCAA.ORG](http://www.ncaa.org))**

### **NCAA REGIONAL RULES SEMINARS**

**MAY 13-18, 2007 – DENVER, COLORADO**

**JUNE 3-8, 2007 – MIAMI, FLORIDA**