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Division III Update **May 2024**

Association-wide News **(followed by division-specific news)**

Hello Fellow FARs – As the academic year winds down and summer is upon us, I want to thank you for your dedication and commitment to helping our student-athletes succeed in the classroom and on the athletic fields. Each of you plays an important role at your university and in FARA. I hope you all can take some time during the summer to relax and rejuvenate before the fall semester begins!

The FARA executive committee met in April to begin planning our 2024 FARA Annual Meeting! If you haven't done so, please mark your calendars for November 14-16, 2024, in Dallas, Texas. More details and registration will be released soon! We hope to see you there!

FARA LinkedIn

Thanks to our wonderful Jen Smith, FARA now has a LinkedIn page! If you're interested in joining, please use this link and share it with fellow FARs:

<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/14433208/>

2024 FARA Executive Committee Divisional Representatives

If you are interested in getting more involved with FARA and representing your division, please consider nominating yourself to be a member of our Executive Committee. As an

Executive Committee member, you will help support the operations of the organization including the planning of the FARA Annual Meeting, supporting the professional development of other FARs, and giving input on matters that are critical to our institutions, divisions, association, and student-athletes. Nominations close June 1st!

[FARA Executive Committee Divisional Representative Nominations](#)

2024 FARA Honors and Awards

Nominations for the FARA honor and awards –Divisional FAR of the Year & Divisional FAR Newcomer of the Year are now being accepted for all three divisions. Please consider nominating a deserving colleague. Nominations close on June 1st!

Follow these links to the nomination forms, which include information on the award and criteria that will be considered:

[FAR Newcomer of the Year](#)
[FAR of the Year](#)

Enjoy summer, and we look forward to seeing you at upcoming FARA events!

JoAnne Bullard
FAR President
Rowan University

From NCAA Research:

REMINDER: 2023-24 NCAA National Study on Collegiate Wagering and Social Environments

In November, NCAA Research sent FedEx packages to each FAR with survey booklets, IRB materials and return shipping envelopes. To those who have not yet administered this survey, please consider doing so. While administering surveys requires time and effort, there is no better way to give a national voice to the student-athletes on your campus. NCAA surveys have a direct bearing on policies that impact student-athletes, and through your efforts we can ensure the NCAA membership has the data necessary to make informed decisions.

The NCAA Research team can assist you with any aspect of the survey administration. If you have questions about the study, contact Kelsey Gurganus-Wright, Associate Director of Research at kgurganus@ncaa.org.

Reports from last year's FAR-administered survey, the [2022-23 NCAA Student-Athlete Health and Wellness Study](#), are now available, including current findings on student-athlete mental health and substance use trends and the slides shared at 2024 NCAA Convention.

Thank you for participating in this important study!

DIVISION III NEWS

Jacob Tingle, FARA Division III Vice President, Trinity University

Greetings from San Antonio. In my role as a faculty member in the Neidorff School of Business, this time of year is often filled with stress and a sense that there's just never enough time (to meet with advisees, graduating seniors, students in my classes, etc . . .). I'm sure that's a feeling shared by many of you.

BUT, in my role as Trinity's Faculty Athletic Rep, this time of year is filled with such joy. Conference tournaments in tennis, baseball, softball, and golf and conference meets in track and field bring a spirit of hope, optimism, and reward for all the work our students have done in pursuit of their athletic experiences. I love seeing them hoist a trophy, but I also love getting to talk to all of them about the process, the commitment, and the resilience they've demonstrated - whether they bring home hardware or not. My hope is that too is a feeling shared by many of you.

FARA Annual Meeting

As a quick update, the FARA Executive Committee had our spring retreat in Indianapolis a couple of weeks ago. We revised our handbook and to the FARA Constitution, which will be proposed to the membership soon. Additionally, we made outstanding headway on the association-wide and DIII specific breakout session for the FARA Annual Meeting (AM).

Here are a few programs ideas that will be on the docket for the FARA AM:

- 1) The Transfer Portal and (Possibly) New Transfer Policies
- 2) National and Local SAAC - working with and understanding the role
- 3) Mental Health resources and ideas for the FAR

Our aim includes more opportunities to hear from student-athletes, building in some shorter learning sessions, and more time for intentional information sharing and discussion.

[Registration and hotel information will be available in a few weeks](#), but for now please put November 14-16 on the calendar.

Other News

1. FARA Executive Committee Nominations

FARA is soliciting nominations for divisional representatives on the FARA Executive Committee. The Executive Committee holds in-person meetings three times per year: the FARA Annual Meeting, NCAA Convention and a spring retreat. The Executive Committee also meets via videoconference monthly.

Only complete nomination forms are accepted. Additional materials are not requested and are not shared with the Nominating Committee, if received.

Nomination Form: <https://questionpro.com/t/AM3zVZl2h6>

Deadline: June 1, 2024

2. **FARA Executive Committee Nominations**

FARA is soliciting nominations for the *2024 FAR of the Year* and *Newcomer of the Year*.

The awards will be presented at the 2024 FARA Annual Meeting in Dallas, Texas November 14-16.

[FAR Newcomer of the Year](#)

[FAR of the Year](#)

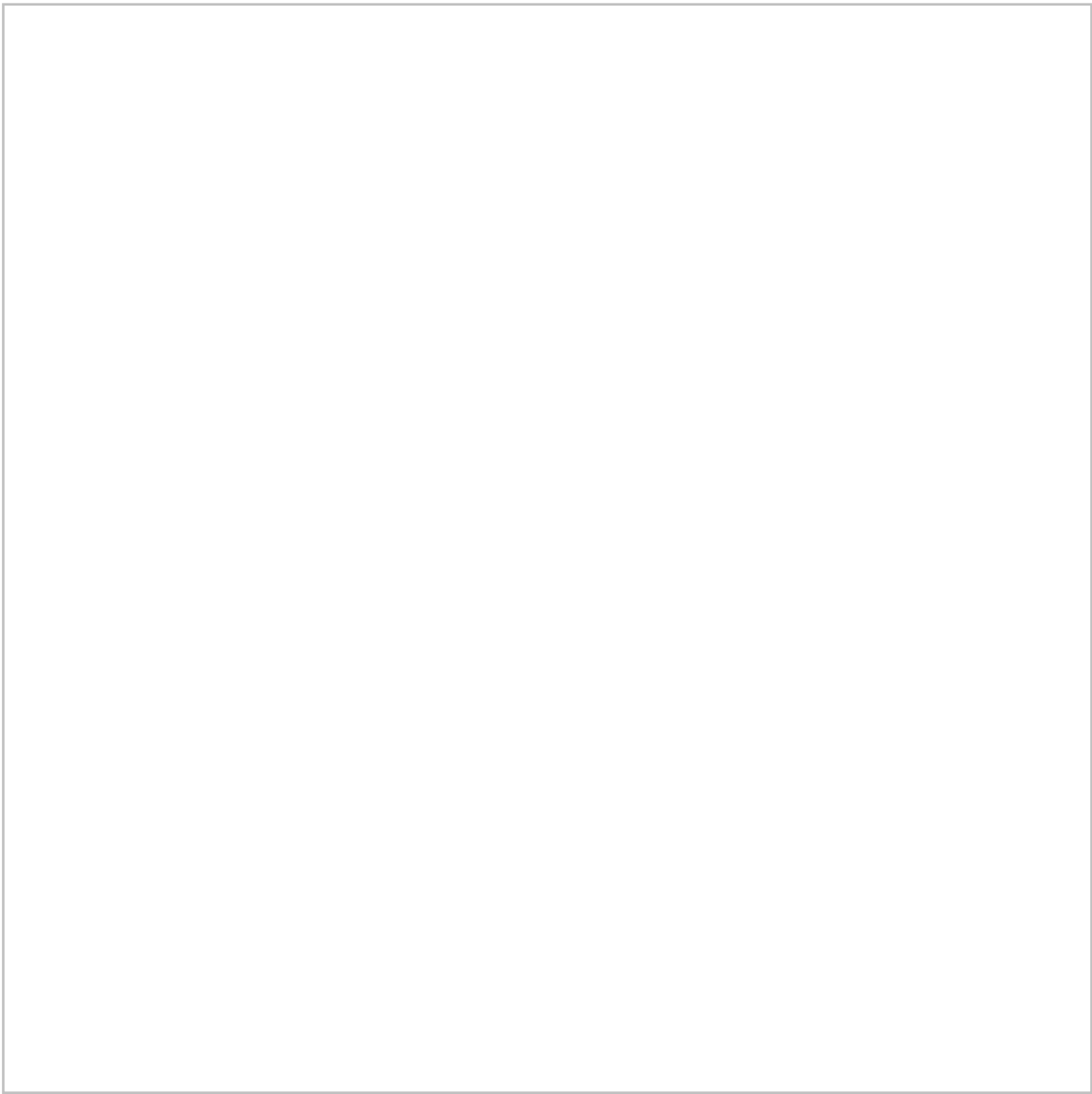
Deadline for nominations is June 1, 2024.

Here's hoping your semester (quarter) ends well.

Jacob

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