

**BACKGROUND OF RESOLUTION TO MODIFY CHARTER OF THE  
FACULTY ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION (FACAPE)**

This resolution would alter the charter of FACAPE to include the faculty member who is the Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR) of the NCAA program at Cornell as an ex officio member of FACAPE. NCAA legislation mandates that each member institution of NCAA must designate an individual who is a member of the institution's faculty, but is not on the administrative or coaching staff of the athletic department of the institution, as the Faculty Athletic Representative. The FAR is recognized as the representative of the institution and its faculty in the relationship between the NCAA and the local campus, with duties determined by the institution.

Since the charge to FACAPE encompasses many responsibilities that could reasonably be considered as within the purview of the FAR, it seems appropriate that the FAR be a member of FACAPE to facilitate communication and as a means of eliminating redundancy with respect matters of mutual concern.

The FAR would thus be the fourth ex officio member of FACAPE, along with the Athletic Director, the University's Ivy Group eligibility officer, and the President of the Red Key Society (student-athlete academic honor society). Additional FACAPE members include nine voting faculty members of FACAPE appointed by the Nominations and Elections Committee, with the concurrence of the Faculty Senate, for a term of three years, and two voting student members (at least one being an undergraduate) selected annually by the Staffing Committee of the Student Assembly.

**RESOLUTION TO MODIFY CHARTER OF THE FACULTY ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS AND  
PHYSICAL EDUCATION (FACAPE)**

Whereas the role of FACAPE is to provide advice on how the programs of the Department of Athletics and Physical Education can best complement and support the overall educational objectives of the University;

Whereas FACAPE provides counsel regarding admissions and academic performance of student athletes, as well as on issues facing the University with respect to its relationship with NCAA, ECAC, and the Ivy League, and seeks to assure that athletic activities complement education;

Whereas the NCAA Faculty Athletics Representative provides similar counsel as the liaison between Cornell and its Athletics Department and also as a representative of Cornell in NCAA affairs;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the NCAA Faculty Athletics Representative shall be an ex officio member of the Faculty Advisory Committee on Athletics and Physical Education.

FACAPE Approval  
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