

FRANKLIN REGIONAL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

BY-LAWS

*Adopted by the Executive Board on January 20th, 2026
Municipality of Murrysville, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania
Tax-Exempt Nonprofit Organization under Section 501(c)(3)*

Legal Status and Effect of These By-Laws

The following By-Laws have been duly adopted by the Franklin Regional Athletic Association (FRAA) Executive Board in accordance with the FRAA's nonprofit corporation status and are effective as of the date of adoption listed above.

These By-Laws establish the organizational structure, governance processes, membership rules, financial policies, disciplinary procedures, and operational standards of the FRAA. They are binding upon all FRAA Board Members, officers, volunteers, coaches, participants, parents, and affiliated members.

The FRAA is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing youth athletic opportunities consistent with the purposes outlined herein and is exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

These By-Laws shall remain in full force and effect unless amended or repealed in accordance with the procedures set forth herein.

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ARTICLE I — NAME

Section A — Name

This Association shall be named, known, and styled as the Franklin Regional Athletic Association (FRAA). It is a non-profit organization located in the Municipality of Murrysville, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania.

Section B - Mission Statement

To provide a safe, inclusive, and positive athletic environment that promotes physical activity, teamwork, sportsmanship, and personal growth for youth in our community

Section C - Goal Statement

To offer well-organized, age-appropriate sports programs that focus on player development, safety, and fair participation while fostering a strong sense of community and respect among athletes, families, and volunteers.

ARTICLE II — PURPOSE, MISSION, AND GOALS

Section A — Purpose

The purpose of the Association is to assist the youth of the community through athletic programs and activities deemed beneficial by the Executive Board, and to promote opportunities for every child within the Franklin Regional School District to participate.

Section B — Mission Statement

To maintain a thriving, community-based athletic association that prioritizes the needs and well-being of children in all decision-making processes.

Section C — Goal Statement

To increase the overall number of participants within the Association each year.

ARTICLE III — BOARD MEMBERSHIP

Section A — Eligibility Requirements for Board Membership

To be eligible to serve in any Board position within the Franklin Regional Athletic Association (FRAA), whether as an Executive Board Member or General Board Member, an

individual must have a child who is actively participating in an FRAA-sponsored sport during the applicable season.

If a Board Member's child ceases to participate in FRAA activities, the Board Member may complete their current term but shall not be eligible for re-election or reappointment to a Board position without meeting the participation requirement at the time of nomination or appointment.

Section B — Composition of the Executive Board

The Executive Board of the Association shall include up to twelve (12) Vice President positions: Baseball, Softball, Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball, Competitive Cheer, Recreational Cheer, and Running.

These officers shall collectively serve as the governing body of the Association and shall have full authority to conduct the business and affairs of the organization in accordance with these By-Laws.

Each Vice President shall have one independent vote on all Board matters. The President shall vote only in the event of a tie.

Section C — President

The President shall serve as the Chief Executive Officer of the Association. They shall preside at all meetings of the general membership and the Executive Board and shall have general and active management of the affairs of the Association. The President shall ensure that all Orders and Resolutions of the Executive Board are properly carried into effect, subject to the Board's authority to delegate specific powers as permitted by these By-Laws and the Constitution.

They shall serve as an ex officio member of all committees of the Association and shall possess the general supervisory and management powers customarily vested in the office of President of a nonprofit corporation, except as otherwise provided by these By-Laws or the Constitution. The President shall also assist the Vice Presidents in the management and operation of the Association's leagues.

Section D — Secretary

The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Executive Board and act as Clerk thereof. They shall record all votes and the minutes of all proceedings in the official Minute Book of the Association and shall perform similar duties for committees of the Board as required.

The Secretary shall record nominations for elected positions beginning four (4) weeks prior to the annual election meeting and shall distribute a copy of the meeting minutes to Board Members prior to the next scheduled meeting. They shall issue notices of

all meetings and shall maintain attendance records.

The Secretary shall maintain a master repository of required clearances and background checks for all coaches, volunteers, and staff, as submitted by the sport-specific Risk Management Coordinators.

The Secretary shall maintain a Membership Roster containing the names, phone numbers, and email addresses (if available) of all Executive and General Members. The roster shall indicate each Member's current standing within the Association.

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Section E—Treasurer

The Treasurer shall have custody of the funds of the Association and shall maintain full and accurate accounts of all receipts and disbursements. They shall deposit Association funds into accounts maintained in the name of the Association and shall disburse funds only as authorized by these By-Laws or by order of the Executive Board. The Treasurer shall maintain accurate financial records and present financial statements to the Executive Board at a minimum on a quarterly basis. In addition, the Treasurer shall prepare a summarized financial report of the Association and its individual sports, to be presented to the general membership at least quarterly.

The Treasurer shall work with each Vice President in the preparation and review of annual budgets for their respective sports and shall provide oversight to ensure compliance with approved budgets and the Association financial policies.

The Treasurer shall be responsible for ensuring the timely filing of all required Federal, State, and Local tax documents on behalf of the Association.

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The Treasurer shall prepare and maintain Profit and Loss (P&L) statements for the Association and its individual sports and shall present such reports to the Executive Board

A newly elected Treasurer shall train with the outgoing Treasurer during the transition period from October through December to ensure a proper transfer of financial responsibilities.

Section F—Vice President—General Overview

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Each Vice President shall act with the authority of the President in the event of the President's absence and shall serve as the Program Supervisor, overseeing all coaches within their respective sport. The Vice President shall be responsible for managing overall sport operations, including the development and maintenance of sport specific rules, the coordination of field or court time, the organization of registration periods, and the creation and communication of practice and game schedules.

Vice Presidents shall provide leadership and support to all coordinators, coaches, and personnel within their program to assure compliance with FRAA policies, safety standards and organizational objectives. Each Vice President shall be responsible for the preparation of annual budgets for their sport in coordination with the Treasurer, ensuring accurate tracking of revenue and expenses. They shall collaborate with other Vice Presidents as necessary for shared field use, scheduling, or multi-sport initiatives. Further sport-specific responsibilities of each Vice President shall be detailed within the individual sport-specific by-laws.

In addition, each Vice President shall oversee compliance with residency requirements for players by maintaining appropriate documentation and coordinating with sport leadership to verify that participants meet FRAA residency requirements.

- Overseeing major program changes, fees, expenditures, and disciplinary decisions
- Appointing or approving sports-specific coordinators and assistants
- Approving program budgets and organizational structure
- Voting on motions and extraordinary matters

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Section G — Duties of the Executive Board

The Executive Board holds primary authority over the structure, finances, and governance of the FRAA. Its duties include:

- Filling Board vacancies and evaluating eligibility of appointees
- Establishing organizational policy and ensuring compliance

Board Members fulfill their volunteer obligation through service and are exempt from regular seasonal shifts and are exempt from paying their applicable travel and in-house registration fees.

Section H — General Board

The General Board shall consist of individuals appointed or elected to support the operations of Association. These roles are Concessions, Webmaster and Field maintenance, Sponsorships, Tournament Directors, Clearances, Uniform Managers, Equipment Managers, and additional positions will be listed and defined in the applicable sports bylaws.

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Anyone nominated by the VP within their sport, may attend closed board meetings when invited

General Board Members may attend Executive Board meetings when invited by a member of the Executive Board.

General Board Members fulfill their volunteer obligation through service and are exempt from regular seasonal volunteer shifts and from paying their applicable travel and in-house registration fees.

ARTICLE IV — ELECTIONS

Section A — Executive Board Elections

Elections for President, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice Presidents of: FR Runs, Baseball and Softball shall be held annually prior to September 1st. Elections for Vice Presidents of: Recreational Cheer, Girls Basketball and Boys Basketball shall be held annually prior to March 1st, Competition Cheer shall be held annually prior to February 1st. All Executive Board Officers shall serve a two-year term, beginning September 1st and ending August 30th of the second year following election.

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When a sport or division is jointly managed by Co-Vice Presidents, their terms shall be offset by one year whenever practicable so that one experienced Vice President always remains in office.

All elections for Executive Board positions shall be conducted by secret ballot. Only Voting Members in good standing, are eligible to vote.

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Vacancies on the Board may be filled by a majority vote of the existing Board at the first regular meeting following the vacancy, provided a quorum is present.

Section B— Term Limits

No individual may serve more than three (3) consecutive terms in the same Board position. After a one-term break, that individual may again seek election to the same position

ARTICLE V — MAJOR PROGRAM CHANGES

Section A — Approval of Major Program Changes

Any major changes to a sport program under the Franklin Regional Athletic Association (FRAA) must be formally presented to the Executive Board and receive Board approval prior to implementation. Major program changes include, but are not limited to expansion of the number of teams or participants beyond traditional capacity, structural changes to divisions, age groups, or competitive levels, new program offerings or removal of existing programs, significant changes to tournament or travel team structure, and any alterations that would materially impact the broader community, school district athletic programs, or FRAA resources.

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Section B — Board Review and Approval

The Board shall review and discuss the proposed change at a regularly scheduled meeting. Approval of major program changes shall require a majority vote of Voting Members present at the meeting.

Section C — By-Law Amendments if Necessary

ARTICLE VI — BOARD MEETINGS AND VOTING

Section A — Board Meetings

Board meetings shall be held in January, March, May, July, September and November on the second Monday of the month, unless otherwise rescheduled by the Board.

The Executive Board may convene with sport-specific leadership as necessary to address program-related matters.

Ad hoc meetings and votes may be conducted when time-sensitive matters arise, provided quorum and voting requirements are satisfied.

Section B — Voting Eligibility

Voting privileges are limited to Board Members who are in good standing and who have attended at least two (2) of the four (4) most recent regularly scheduled Board meetings.

Section C — Quorum and Voting Requirements

- A quorum for Board meetings shall consist of two-thirds (2/3) of the current Board Members.
- For a motion to pass, a majority (more than 50%) of the Voting Board Members present must vote in favor.
- The President shall only vote on Board motions in the case of a tie.

Section D — Extraordinary Motions

Extraordinary Motions require at least seventy-five percent (75%) approval of the full Executive Board to pass.

Extraordinary Motions include:

1. The dissolution of the FRAA.
2. The removal of any Board Member.

Procedure for Removal:

- A Board Member may propose the removal of another Board Member at a Board meeting.
- The proposal must include specific reasons and must be presented with notice.
- The targeted Board Member must be given an opportunity to address the Board before a vote is taken.

Section E — Voting Methods

- Elections for Board positions shall be conducted by secret ballot.
- All other voting at Board meetings shall be by a show of hands unless a secret ballot is requested by any Voting Member.

Section F — Order of Business

The regular order of business for monthly Board meetings shall be as follows:

Approval of minutes from the previous meeting;

1. Treasurer's Report;
2. General Member Input (limited to complaints that have completed the formal complaint process under Article VII);
3. Vice President of Baseball Report;
4. Vice President of Softball Report;
5. Vice President of Girls Basketball Report;
6. Vice President of Boys Basketball Report;
7. Vice President of Cheer Report;
8. Committee Reports;
9. Old Business;
10. New Business;
11. Board Input / Motions;
12. Adjournment.

Section G — Active Member Participation

Any Active Member, including parents and guardians of Playing Members, may attend bi-monthly pre-scheduled Board meetings and shall be given an opportunity to address the Board during the designated "General Member Input" portion of the meeting.

ARTICLE VII — DISCIPLINE AND COMPLAINTS

The Franklin Regional Athletic Association (FRAA) is committed to maintaining an atmosphere of professionalism, mutual respect, and accountability. All players, parents, volunteers, and Board Members are expected to uphold the values of sportsmanship, integrity, and cooperation in every FRAA activity.

To preserve fairness and order, FRAA requires that all concerns and complaints follow the process outlined in this Article. Verbal complaints, hearsay, or informal conversations shall not be considered official reports and will not trigger formal review. Concerns must be communicated directly and respectfully to the appropriate individual and, when elevated, must be documented in writing.

The Association recognizes that its Board and coaches are volunteers and that response times may vary. Nevertheless, all concerns will be addressed as promptly as practical, with the shared goal of ensuring a safe, respectful, and positive environment for all participants.

Section A — Informal Resolution (Preferred Process)

Whenever possible, concerns should first be addressed directly with the coach or individual involved after allowing a mandatory 24-hour cooling-off period. Direct, respectful communication often resolves misunderstandings without further intervention.

If the concern cannot be resolved informally, the matter should be referred to the Vice President of the respective sport. The Vice President shall make reasonable efforts to communicate with all parties and assist in reaching an appropriate resolution within a reasonable timeframe.

If the Vice President is the subject of the concern, or if the complainant believes the matter cannot be addressed impartially at the sport level, the complaint shall proceed directly to the Formal Complaint Submission process described in Section B.

All communications and decisions beyond the coach level should be documented in writing to ensure clarity, transparency, and consistency in how concerns are handled.

Section B — Formal Complaint Submission

If informal efforts fail, or if the issue involves serious misconduct, safety concerns, or violations of FRAA policy, a Formal Complaint Form shall be submitted to the Executive Board.

The complaint should include:

1. The name(s) of the individual(s) involved;
2. A description of the incident or concern;
3. Steps already taken to address the issue; and
4. Any supporting documentation or witness statements.

Upon receipt, the Secretary shall log the complaint and forward it to the Executive Board for review. The Board will determine whether the matter can be resolved through discussion, mediation, or requires a formal hearing. Complaints should be acknowledged and reviewed as promptly as possible, but timelines may vary based on volunteer availability.

Section C — Interim Action and Authority to Intervene

Vice Presidents or other designated Board Officers may take temporary protective action—such as pausing participation or involvement—when behavior or circumstances pose an immediate safety concern or cause significant disruption to FRAA operations.

These measures are not disciplinary in nature but are intended to protect participants and allow time for review. All temporary actions must be reported to the Executive Board as soon as practical, and the Board will review and confirm, modify, or lift the action at its next scheduled meeting or within a reasonable timeframe.

Section D — Hearings and Member Rights

If the Executive Board determines that a hearing is necessary, the following rights and procedures shall apply:

1. The individual(s) involved shall receive written notice of the hearing, including the nature of the complaint and supporting documentation.
2. The individual(s) shall have the opportunity to attend, present their account, and provide witnesses or evidence.
3. Hearings shall be scheduled as soon as reasonably possible, recognizing the volunteer nature of the Board.
4. The Executive Board may deliberate in closed session and will issue a written decision within a reasonable period following the hearing.

Possible outcomes include written warnings, mediation requirements, temporary suspension, removal from a volunteer role, or, in serious cases, termination of membership or participation privileges.

All disciplinary actions require a majority vote of the Executive Board unless otherwise specified in these By-Laws.

Section E — Appeals

Any individual subject to formal disciplinary action may submit a written appeal to the Executive Board within a reasonable timeframe after receiving the decision. The appeal must specify the grounds for reconsideration, such as new information or procedural error.

The Executive Board shall review the appeal at its next available meeting. The Board's decision on appeal shall be final.

Section F — Conflict of Interest and Recusal

If a complaint involves a Vice President or any member of the Executive Board, that individual shall recuse themselves from all related discussions, reviews, or votes. The remaining Executive Board members shall appoint an alternate Officer, such as a Co-Vice President or another Executive Officer, to ensure impartial review.

Section G — Confidentiality

All complaints, hearings, and disciplinary matters shall remain confidential and accessible only to the Executive Board, the involved parties, and relevant FRAA officials as necessary. Information shall not be publicly disclosed except as required by law or to protect the safety or integrity of the organization.

Section H — Recordkeeping

The Secretary shall maintain secure records of all complaints, hearings, and disciplinary actions, including the date received, actions taken, and outcomes. Records shall be retained for a minimum of five (5) years

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ARTICLE IX—STANDING COMMITTEES

Section A — Purpose and Formation

Standing Committees shall be established to provide continual oversight and review of specific operations of the Association.

Committees shall serve in an advisory capacity to the Executive Board and/or Executive Board by making periodic reviews and recommendations regarding the activities within their designated area.

Section B — Membership

Each member serving on the Board may be assigned to serve on one or more Standing Committees, in addition to their duties as a Board Member.

Assignments shall be made by the Executive Board, subject to Board approval as necessary.

All Executive Board Members shall serve as ex officio members of all Standing Committees.

ARTICLE IX—EXPENDITURES

Section A — Authority to Commit Funds and Personnel

Only the Executive Board may commit the FRAA to expend Association funds or obligate the services of FRAA personnel.

No individual Board Member or General Member shall authorize expenditures without the prior approval of the Board, except as permitted under the expenditure limits outlined in Section B.

Section B — Expenditure Authorization and Financial Controls

All FRAA expenditures must be approved in advance by the President and Treasurer, unless already authorized as part of an approved annual budget.

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Any unbudgeted expense, regardless of amount, must receive documented approval by at least one of these officers prior to payment or reimbursement.

The Treasurer shall ensure that all disbursements are supported by receipts and recorded in the FRAA's financial system of record.

All expenditure and reimbursements shall be reported to the Executive Board at each regularly scheduled meeting for review and inclusion in the monthly financial statement.

The Board may waive the requirement for obtaining a second bid when deemed unnecessary or impractical.

All requests for payment reimbursement must include supporting documentation, such as invoices, receipts, or proof of purchases, and must be submitted to the Treasurer and review for processing.

- All expenditures require submission of an itemized receipt.
- A completed FRAA Payment Request Form, including all invoices or receipts, must be submitted through the designated online form (e.g., Google Form).
- Payments will be processed once weekly.
- Incomplete or late submissions may cause payment delays.

Section C — Borrowing and Loans

The Executive Board may authorize the FRAA to borrow funds as necessary to support the operations of the Association. All loans, regardless of the amount, must be approved by a majority vote of the Executive Board prior to commitment.

ARTICLE X — ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

Section A — Scope and Applicability

The Franklin Regional Athletic Association (FRAA) maintains a strict Zero Tolerance Policy regarding abuse or misconduct involving players, referees, coaches, assistant coaches, spectators, parents, volunteers, or Board Members. This policy applies to all FRAA sports and activities and to behavior occurring:

- On-site at Franklin Regional School District properties
- Off-site at travel tournaments, games, or events
- In any other context where actions may impact the reputation or operations of FRAA

Section B — Covered Conduct

Violations of this policy include, but are not limited to:

- Berating, harassing, or verbally abusing players, referees, coaches, parents, spectators, volunteers, or Board Members
- Use of foul or offensive language
- Fighting or physical altercations
- Threatening, intimidating, or aggressive conduct
- Documented acts of violence, abuse, or other conduct inconsistent with FRAA's mission and values

This list is not exhaustive.

Section C — Reporting and Disciplinary Process

All reports or complaints regarding conduct covered by this policy shall be handled in accordance with the formal complaint procedures outlined in Article VIII — Discipline and Complaints. This includes requirements for submitting a formal complaint, internal review procedures, documentation, and Board voting thresholds for disciplinary action.

Section D — Consequences

A confirmed violation may result in immediate disciplinary action, including but not limited to:

- Removal from coaching or volunteer roles
- Suspension or banning from FRAA activities
- Ejection from games or events

Reinstatement may only occur through formal Board review and approval.

ARTICLE XI — RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS

Section A - Membership Restrictions for Playing Members (All Sports)

General Membership in the Franklin Regional Athletic Association (FRAA) is reserved for residents of the Franklin Regional School District.

Section B - Grandfather Exception

Any player who was actively participating on an FRAA team, in any sport, as of July 1, 2024, shall remain eligible to participate in FRAA programs moving forward, regardless of changes to residency status or eligibility requirements. This exception is not transferable.

ARTICLE XII — BACKGROUND CHECK COMPLIANCE

Section A — Background Check Requirements

In order to promote consistency and accountability, Risk Management Coordinators across all FRAA divisions shall follow standardized documentation procedures as established by the Executive Board.

All prospective coaches, assistant coaches, commissioners, coordinators, and any volunteers having direct contact with minors participating in Franklin Regional Athletic Association (FRAA) programs must submit the following background clearances prior to assuming any duties:

1. Pennsylvania State Police “Report of Criminal History”;
2. Pennsylvania Department of Human Services “Child Abuse History Certification”;
3. FBI Criminal Background Check (fingerprint-based) — required only if the volunteer has lived in Pennsylvania for less than ten (10) consecutive years.

All clearances must be valid, current, and submitted in accordance with applicable Pennsylvania state law.

Coaches, volunteers, and staff shall bear full responsibility for ensuring their required clearances are submitted, current and on file prior to participation.

Section B — Collection and Oversight

Each sport division (Baseball, Softball, Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Cheer) shall designate a Risk Management Coordinator responsible for collecting, reviewing, and organizing all required clearances for their respective program.

- Risk Management Coordinators shall verify that all volunteers have properly completed and submitted the required clearances.
- Risk Management Coordinators shall immediately report any noncompliance or concerning findings to the applicable Vice President and to the FRAA Secretary.

The FRAA Secretary shall maintain the official Association-wide master repository of all submitted clearances in a secure, confidential manner.

Section C — Deadline for Clearance Submission

All required background check clearances must be submitted before participating in any game, practice, or activity involving player contact.

Volunteers failing to submit all required clearances by the deadline shall not be permitted to participate in FRAA activities, including attending practices or games in a coaching, assisting, or supervisory capacity.

Section D — Confidentiality

Background check information and clearance results shall be kept strictly confidential and shall only be accessible to the sport-specific Risk Management Coordinator, the applicable Vice President, the FRAA Secretary, and the Executive Board as necessary.

No clearance information shall be publicly disclosed except as required by law or authorized under applicable policies.

Section E — Enforcement

Failure to comply with background check requirements may result in:

- Immediate removal from volunteer duties;
- Loss of coaching privileges;
- Suspension of access to fields, facilities, or practice times;
- Possible dismissal from the Association.

ARTICLE XIII — AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

Section A — Amendment Process

The By-Laws of the Franklin Regional Athletic Association (FRAA) may be amended by a majority vote of eligible voting Board Members present at a general Board meeting.

Section B — Submission of Proposed Amendments

All proposed amendments must be submitted in writing or via email to the FRAA Secretary prior to a regularly scheduled Board meeting.

Proposals shall be presented and discussed during the next Board meeting following submission.

Section C — Approval of Amendments

Following discussion, the Executive Board shall vote on the proposed amendment(s) at the next scheduled Board meeting.

A majority vote of eligible voting Board Members present shall be required for approval and permanent inclusion of the amendment(s) into the By-Laws.

Section D — Comprehensive Revision of By-Laws

A complete revision of the By-Laws may be approved at a meeting of the Executive Board, provided that at least four (4) Executive Board members vote in favor of the revision.

Section E — Membership Notification

Any approved amendment or revision to the By-Laws must be communicated to the general membership within two (2) weeks prior to the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.

General members shall have the opportunity to review and provide input on the amendments at that meeting.

ARTICLE XIV — PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

In all procedural matters not specifically addressed by these By-Laws, the Franklin Regional Athletic Association (FRAA) shall operate under the principles and procedures set forth in Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, to the extent that such rules are not inconsistent with these By-Laws or any policies adopted by the FRAA Executive Board.

ARTICLE XV — DISSOLUTION OF THE ORGANIZATION

Section A — Procedure for Dissolution

The FRAA may be dissolved in accordance with applicable law through the following procedure:

- A proposal for dissolution must be presented at a properly noticed Board meeting where a quorum is present.
- Advance notice must state that the purpose of the meeting is to consider dissolution.
- Approval of dissolution requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote of eligible voting Board Members present.
- If a quorum is not present, the proposal shall be deemed to have failed.

Section B — Distribution of Assets Upon Dissolution

Upon dissolution of the FRAA:

- The Executive Board shall ensure that all liabilities and obligations are paid or adequately provided for.
- Any remaining assets shall be distributed to one or more organizations operated exclusively for charitable, educational, or amateur athletic purposes, which are qualified as exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code).
- Alternatively, assets may be distributed to a federal, state, or local government entity to be used for public purposes, as determined by the Board.

No surplus funds shall ensure the benefit of any individual or private person.