Examining the Faculty Athletics Representative (FAR) role at Wisconsin:

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1. What do FARs do?
   1. Internal: monitor compliance and student-athlete experiences
   2. External: represent the University at Big Ten, NCAA, and Autonomy 5
2. Items of note for UW FAR role:
   1. Two FARs
   2. Athletic board attachment
   3. Short terms
3. Broader FAR context:
   1. 88.1% of D1 FARs have no term limit
   2. 8+ current Big Ten FARs serving in roles 10+ years
   3. Most campuses do not have active on-campus governing boards
   4. Most FARs are not central actors in on-campus boards
4. Challenges:
   1. UW FARs have limited capacity due to term length and board service
   2. UW has limited external voice in governance and administration (examples: Joint Group Chairing, NCAA legislation, FARA)
5. Option to explore:
   1. Differentiated FAR roles. One Far as chair, other as ex-officio of board.

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