

## **Webber's Dr. Elfie Farchmin Honored With NAIA Wally Schwartz F.A.R. of the Year**

SAN DIEGO, CA. – The NAIA 76th Annual National Convention, featured in beautiful San Diego, California, had a different meaning for Webber International University this year. Dr. Elfie Farchmin, Faculty Athletics Representative for Webber, received the prestigious Wally Schwartz Faculty Athletics Representative of the Year Award.

The NAIA, once a year, recognizes a Faculty Athletic Representative to receive the Wally Schwartz F.A.R Award. The NAIA definition of the award states, “The award honors past Vice-President of Legislative Services, Wally Schwartz, and is given to a Faculty Athletics Representative who exemplifies the loyalty, enthusiasm, and honesty that Wally Schwartz had, and still has, shown on behalf of the NAIA.” Dr. Farchmin of Webber International University has met these requirements and was chosen to receive the award.

Dr. Farchmin was asked how it feels being selected as the 2017 recipient of this award. She said, “It is truly a great accomplishment for a Faculty Athletics Representative. Dr. Schwartz was very instrumental in the development of the eligibility bylaws of the NAIA. The nominees are selected by the Council of Faculty Athletics Representatives, a select group voted on by all F.A.R.'s. I am humbled to receive this honor.”

Darren Richie, Webber International University's Athletic Director stated, “Dr. Farchmin has served our student-athletes and our coaches at Webber since 2004. Her recognition as the Wally Schwartz F.A.R. of the Year shows her dedication and work ethic, not only to Webber International, but to The Sun Conference and the NAIA. I want to congratulate her and I am looking forward to working closely with her to benefit our student-athletes even more.”

Dr. Farchmin has done a wonderful job as the F.A.R. at Webber International and is also a full-time Sport Business Administration Professor at the University.

Congratulations and thank you to Dr. Elfie Farchmin and President, Dr. Keith Wade, along with the faculty, staff and students at Webber International University on this accomplishment!

Established in 1927 by Roger Babson as the first college chartered under Florida's then new charitable and educational laws and one of the first schools of business for women in the nation, Webber International University now educates men and women from over 50 different nations. Students at Webber's Florida campus major in one of the many disciplines of business offered at the associate's, bachelor's, and master's level through traditional day, accelerated night and weekend, and entirely on-line formats. Joining Webber as a branch campus in 2011, and featuring a comprehensive liberal arts curriculum, St. Andrews University was established by merger in 1961 but traces its roots back to the 1896 founding of its predecessor Flora Macdonald College. The

University features highly qualified faculty, highly engaged staff, small class size, and a wide array of intercollegiate sports and other extracurricular activities. The University has been recognized as a Princeton Review Best in the Southeast College, a US News and World Reports America's Best Colleges designee, and a GI Jobs America's Most Military Friendly School. The University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, and several programs have earned additional programmatic accreditations.

