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## Memorandum

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To: All ICHPER•SD Members: Individual and *Life*, National, Institutional, or International Organization, and Library; Affiliated Members, Associated Members, professionals at large in the field of HPERSD

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From: Dr. Adel Elnashar, President, ICHPER•SD & Dr. Dong Ja Yang, Honorary President & Dr. Shaikha Aljeep, Secretary General

Re: 2016 ICHPER•SD Forum and the Current Business Update

Greetings! We trust that this memorandum written jointly by 3 of us (President, Honorary President, & Secretary General) reaches you in peace, and good health while you enjoy success in all your endeavors.

Unfortunately, it appears we may not hold a world congress in either 2015 or 2016. We therefore expect to see many of our HPERSD professionals worldwide to

come to participate in the 2016 ICHPER·SD Forum held in conjunction with the 131<sup>st</sup> SHAPE (formerly known as AAHPERD) America National Convention & Expo) which will be staged from April 5 – 9 in Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA. Minneapolis, the “City of Lakes,” is a vibrant, bustling, and clean city which has now become a thriving tourist destination in the State of Minnesota.

As far as SHAPE America Convention programs are concerned, the “Call for Proposals” was published on line at [www.shapeamerica.org](http://www.shapeamerica.org), but the submission deadline was June 16, 2015 and notification of acceptance/rejection was on September 30, 2015. Nevertheless, attending the programs of the convention is always enlightening and a great opportunity to meet new friends.

The SHAPE America National Convention and Expo is a great national academic and scientific forum and a very popular educational festival for professionals in our field. Usually, more than 6,000 dedicated HPERSD professionals from the U.S. and around the world come to experience and choose from more than 450 programs – a unique interdisciplinary blend of sessions, plenary and topical lectures, workshops, oral and poster presentations highlighting emerging issues and trends in health, physical education, recreation, sport and the Olympic movement, and dance.

The 2016 ICHPER·SD Forum program will be held in conjunction with the 2016 Shape Convention, and we hope to see many of our members there. The Shape National Convention and ICHPER·SD Forum provide an excellent model for our national organizations to learn from, with its holistic setting, the quality of the academic and scientific presentations, the way they continually increase participation and their outstanding event management and organization. In previous years, we have also taken the opportunity to promote ICHPER·SD as a whole as an international umbrella organization consisting of individuals, institutional and national organizations, and regional organizations (as reflected 8 geographical ICHPER·SD regions: Africa, Asia, Caribbean, Europe, Latin America, Middle East, North America, and Oceania) – also in a partnership with the International Olympic Committee (IOC) as its *Recognized Organization* and with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) as its *official consultative organization*.

## **I. 2016 ICHPER·SD FORUM**

All ICHPER·SD and/or SHAPE America members who are registered with the 131<sup>st</sup> SHAPE America Convention & Expo are welcome to attend the 2016 ICHPER·SD Forum. Especially our members from abroad are cordially invited to come and experience the wide array of programs at the SHAPE America National Convention and Expo. Upon your registration with the SHAPE America National Convention ([www.shapeamerica.org](http://www.shapeamerica.org)), you may then request an invitation for your entry visa to the United States from the ICHPER·SD headquarters (e-mail: [ichper@shapeamerica.org](mailto:ichper@shapeamerica.org)) in Reston, Virginia 20191-1598, USA.

Please notice that you can save on registration fees if you register sooner rather than later!

#### A. Date of 2016 ICHPER·SD

The **Forum** will be held on Tuesday, April 5, 2015. The program hours will be 9:30 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. with a lunch break 12:30 to 2:00 p.m. This time allotment has been the standard since the beginning of the Forum in 1985. It has become an official format in order to accommodate SHAPE America's traditionally programmed schedules of the convention.

#### B. Selection of the 2016 Forum Speakers

All speakers/presenters will be pre-selected or named by the Office of the President including: **1)** President's opening/welcome speech on the topic of the State of the Council; **2)** A keynote speech in the Morning Session and another in the Afternoon Session; **3)** 6 or 8 Vice Presidents' reports on their regional activities; **4)** 2 to 4 assigned Executive Committee members' or Commissioners topical presentations; **5)** The Journal of ICHPER·SD Editor's report; and **6)** 2 selected ICHPER·SD and SHAPE America members who have submitted complete sets of manuscripts for presentation (approximately 6 to 7 pages) by February 23, 2016 to the ICHPER·SD headquarters in Reston, Virginia. Manuscripts will be reviewed and the selection processes will be undertaken by a Committee of 5, chaired by the Editor of the ICHPER·SD Journal. The President will announce the selected presenters as soon as possible. All presenters will receive a "Certification of Appreciation" for their scholarly work and presentations.

## II. ICHPER·SD Business Update

#### A. Our Continued Struggle: The Council's Financial Condition

As yet, we have not accomplished our dream of becoming financially self-sufficient. We must all work together and execute our duties and responsibilities, including all ICHPER·SD's elected officers and/or selected HPERSD professional volunteers (e.g., the editorial team members, regional secretaries, 6 divisional commissioners, 9 chairpersons of the committees, 56 directors and 56 associate directors of the commissions which serve as the interest groups, researchers and dedicated professional members.

#### B. Anniversary World Congress and Regional Congress

The Office of the President and of the Secretary General are responsible for bringing about the ICHPER·SD anniversary world congress annually and/or biennially. The Offices of the 8 Regional Vice Presidents are responsible for organizing their regional congresses annually or biennially. The organization and effective delivery of the World and Regional Congresses have proven to be the best program strategy for the Council's advancement. Thank you.