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M E M O R A N D U M

Date: November 2, 2008

To: ICHPER·SD Members (Individual and *Life*, National, Institutional or International Organization, and Library)

From: Dong Ja YANG, Ph.D.
President

Re: 2009 ICHPER·SD FORUM & ICHPER·SD Business Update

Greetings! I trust that this memorandum reaches you in peace, and good health and enjoying success in all your endeavors.

The ICHPER·SD Journal of Research (Volume III. No.2, Fall & Winter 2008) is scheduled for delivery in the middle of this month. It consists of a total of 132 pages with 18 research-oriented scientific articles, messages, information on scheduled ICHPER·SD official events, and a special inclusion: the Statute of the Prince Faisal Prize (7th Session: 2008 – 2011). You will also find selected contents of this memorandum in the journal message from the Office of the President.

I. The 2009 ICHPER·SD FORUM

All ICHPER·SD and AAHPERD members who are registered with the 124th AAHPERD Convention & Exposition are welcome to attend the 2009 ICHPER·SD FORUM. Especially our members from abroad are cordially invited to come and experience the wide array of programs at the National Annual Convention of AAHPERD. Upon your registration with the AAHPERD Convention (www.aahperd.org), you may then request an invitation for your entry visa to the United States to the ICHPER·SD headquarters (e-mail: ichper@aahperd.org) in Reston, Virginia 20191-1598, USA. When

you register with the AAHPERD Convention, ICHPER·SD members will be honored by a reduced registration fee category, **‘Collegial’** (Registration fees and deadlines are: U.S. \$245 by 1/15/09; \$290 by 3/4/09; \$390 onsite or beginning 3/5/09).

The 2009 ICHPER·SD FORUM will be held on Tuesday, March 31 and April 1, 2009 in conjunction with the **124th National Convention and Exposition of the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD)** at the Tampa Convention Center in Tampa, Florida, U.S.A., from March 31 – April 4, 2009. The AAHPERD Annual Convention and Exposition is the greatest national academic and scientific forum in the world 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 dance.

The Theme of the 124th National Convention & Exposition of AAHPERD is
“Many Voices ... One Mission”

A. The 2009 ICHPER·SD Forum (as Advertised in JOPERD, October & November 2008 – a Journal of AAHPERD):

**2009 ICHPER·SD
FORUM** (Ad #1)



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Recreation, Sport, and Dance**


**The Theme of the 2009 ICHPER·SD FORUM:
“Many Voices in HPERSD from the 8 ICHPER·SD Regions ... One
Consolidated Global Mission”**

The **FORUM** will be held from March 31 - April 1, 2009 in conjunction with the **124th National Convention and Exposition of the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD)**, the most prestigious and largest national organization in our fields in the world, at the Tampa Convention Center in Tampa, Florida, U.S.A., from March 31 – April 4, 2009. Selected speakers and/or the Vice-Presidents of the **8 ICHPER·SD Regions** (i.e. Africa, Asia, Caribbean, Europe, Latin America, Middle East, North America, and Oceania) will lend their regional voices to assess and guide us to future directions. We anticipate adopting a **RESOLUTION** that speaks to **“One Consolidated Global Mission”** for HPERSD professionals and organizations.

ICHPER was conceived by the **AAHPER Board of Directors** back in 1950 ... 59 years ago! They had the idea of establishing an organization that would advocate for a mission similar to AAHPER's and extend it around the world. Their vision was to improve the quality of life for all under the leadership of a global group of HPERSD professionals, while exercising operational and organizational principles and establishing a charter similar to that of the United Nations. Through the strategic work of this international group of visionary leaders, **ICHPER** (now known as **ICHPER·SD**) was founded in Rome, Italy in 1958.

Please join us!

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2009 ICHPER·SD FORUM (Ad #2)		International Council for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, Sport, and Dance
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<p>This is ad #2 for the 2009 ICHPER·SD FORUM which will be held from March 31 - April 1, 2009 in conjunction with the 124th National Convention and Exposition of the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD). One speaker from each of the 8 ICHPER·SD geographic regions and of the 5 ICHPER·SD Divisions (i.e., Health, Physical Education, Recreation, Sport & Dance) will speak.</p> <p>ICHPER·SD has staged: 32 World Congresses: 4 ICHPER·SD Africa Regional Congresses; 5 Asia Regional Congresses; 10 Europe Regional Congresses; 5 Latin America Regional Congresses; 4 Middle East Regional Congresses; 2 North America and the Caribbean Regional Congresses & 17 ICHPER·SD Forums/Leadership Conferences/Sessions; and 1 Oceania Regional Congress.</p> <p>ICHPER·SD is one of the oldest, largest and most prestigious international umbrella organizations. It consists of individual professional members, institutions, national and international organizations in the 8 geographical regions. Our headquarters has been housed at AAHPERD headquarters since our inception in 1958. ICHPER·SD has been working in a partnership with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) for 47 years and with the International Olympic Committee (IOC) for the last 14 years. <i>Please join us!</i> www.ichpersd.org / e-mail: ichper@aahperd.org</p>		

B. Open to ICHPER·SD Members for the Selection of the FORUM Speakers

One speaker from each of the 8 ICHPER·SD geographic regions and each of the 5 ICHPER·SD Divisions (i.e. Health, Physical Education, Recreation, Sport and the Olympic Movement, & Dance) will be chosen by the ICHPER·SD Executive Committee. ICHPER·SD will pay *only* the AAHPERD Convention registration fee (i.e. U.S. \$245 by 1/15/09) for each of the selected members. Interested members are highly encouraged to submit an abstract and overview (or complete copy) of their manuscript for presentation that deals specifically with the *Theme: “Many Voices in HPERSD from 8 ICHPER·SD Regions...One Consolidated Global Mission”*. The deadline for submission is **January 10, 2009**, so that ICHPER·SD headquarters can register and pay the AAHPERD Annual Convention Office for those selected members.

C. The ICHPER Relationship to AAHPERD

(Re-named ICHPER·SD in 1993 in Yokohama, Japan)

In 1950, the Board of Directors of the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education and Recreation (AAHPER, now AAHPERD by adding Dance) had the idea to establish an international organization in our field of HPERSD that would advocate a mission, similar to AAHPERD's, *but would extend it throughout the world*. In 1958, the International Council for Health, Physical Education and Recreation (ICHPER, now ICHPER·SD by adding Sport and Dance) was inaugurated in Rome, Italy.

Since its beginning, ICHPER (now ICHPER·SD) international headquarters has been housed at AAHPER (now AAHPERD) and has enjoyed its support in numerous administrative areas. ICHPER·SD recognizes AAHPERD as the most prestigious and largest national organization in our fields in the world. Therefore, we promote AAHPERD's organizational model and its principles, programs (e.g. participation in its annual national convention and exposition, subscribing to its publications: journals, curriculum and assessment standards, etc.) and strategies to plan and build each of our own member national organizations worldwide.

II. Our Continued Struggle: The Council's Financial Condition

We have learned that ICHPER·SD should be operated and managed more as a business entity and rely on a full and part-time staff to raise funds and maintain daily operations for facilitating the Council's mission. We will be tapping the talents of a group of elected and/or selected HPERSD professional volunteers (e.g., officers, editorial team members, commissioners, chairpersons, regional secretaries, directors and associate directors, researchers and dedicated professional members).

ICHPER·SD has not yet accomplished the most critical step of hiring a full-time Chief Executive Officer (CEO) with the title of Executive Director – which was unanimously adopted as a new direction for operation by the ICHPER·SD Executive Committee in Antalya/Istanbul, Turkey in August 2003 and endorsed unanimously by the Board of Governors (BOG) in Istanbul in December 2005 and again by BOG in Japan in May 2008.

A. The Great Challenge for the 2008 ICHPER·SD Board of Governors

We believe that everything is possible if every member takes part and contributes to this great challenge. ICHPER·SD is now asking of you the following:

1. Consider championing the mission of the Council throughout your professional life and beyond by becoming a *Life* Member! The *Life* Membership fee of US\$ 1,500 may be a large amount for you; nevertheless, your heart is even bigger in caring for our mission through this commitment.
2. Consider contributing any amount – large or small! Just think of it as another form of exercise – exercising your fine spirit of participation by giving to a great cause.
3. Write a pledge to yourself to contribute in accordance with your own preferred schedule! Consider seeking potential donors on behalf of the Council!

With you, we can and we will win this great challenge.

III. ICHPER·SD Upcoming Events

A. The 11th ICHPER·SD Europe Regional Congress & Exposition

Under the leadership of Dr. Serap Inal, Vice President for ICHPER·SD Europe, Dr. Feryal Subasi, Regional Secretary, Secretary General Mr. Murat Dugmeli (Intra Travel Ltd. murat@intratravel.com) of the Organizing Committee and their colleagues, the 11th ICHPER·SD Europe Regional Congress & Exposition is well under way to creating a very successful congress. The theme of the Congress is *“Integration of Contemporary Sports Disciplines in Europe”*. The dates and site are: April 22 – 24, 2009 in Antalya, Turkey. The website is www.ichpersderc2009.org.

B. The 1st ICHPER·SD Caribbean Regional Congress & Exposition

The 1st ICHPER·SD Caribbean Regional Congress & Exposition Organizing Committee (1stCRCEOC'2009) in Trinidad and Tobago in consultation with the Office of the ICHPER·SD President has decided to re-schedule the dates of the Congress to sometime in May 2009. Consequently, we ask you to disregard the dates previously posted.

C. The 51st ICHPER·SD Anniversary World Congress & Exposition

The Qatar Ministry of Education in Doha, Qatar has informed the Office of the ICHPER·SD President through the Office of the ICHPER·SD Secretary General that the Ministry would like to sponsor the *51st ICHPER·SD Anniversary World Congress & Exposition* in Doha, Qatar in **October 2009**.

Upon receipt of the bidding application and completion of the negotiation process and approval of the ICHPER·SD Executive Committee, we will announce the final dates and other relevant specifics through the ICHPER·SD website and a memorandum.

IV. Introduction of Dr. Adel Elnashar as new ICHPER·SD Secretary General

Dr. Adel Elnashar is an Egyptian who is currently a Professor in the Department of Physical Education and Sport Science, College of Education of the University of Bahrain. He earned his BA from Helwan University in Egypt, his MA from Truman State University and his Ph.D. from the University of Pittsburg in the United States.

Dr. Elnashar has been an ICHPER·SD member for 14 years. In brief, he is an outstanding person, professional, scholar, highly capable administrator and strategist. Dr. Elnashar served as ICHPER·SD Vice President for the Middle East from August 1997 – July 2008. He was regarded as a senior ICHPER·SD Vice President (1997 – present) among the 7 Regional Vice Presidents. He became the first ICHPER·SD *Life* member in the Middle East region, Chair of the ICHPER·SD Awards Committee, 2 time recipient of

the ICHPER·SD Biennial Distinguished Contribution Award; 2 time recipient of the ICHPER·SD Plaque of Commendation; recipient of the 2008 Ainsworth/Troester Founder's Award (the Council's highest award) and 2008 recipient of the ICHPER·SD Gold Medal of Honor. He organized the ICHPER·SD Anniversary World Congress in Cairo, Egypt in 1999 and served as WCOC'1999 Secretary General. He organized the 1st ICHPER·SD Middle East Regional Congress as Vice President for the Middle East in 2000; organized the 2nd Middle East Regional Congress in Tehran, Iran in 2003 in the same VP capacity; and organized the 3rd Middle East Regional Congress in Doha, Qatar in 2004 along with Dr. Aneesa Al-Hitme, the Middle East Regional Secretary.

The President's office appointed Dr. Elnashar, and the ICHPER·SD Executive Committee unanimously confirmed the appointment on July 29, 2008. Dr. Elnashar will be serving as the Secretary General in the capacity of Chief Executive Officer (CEO) under the direction of the President (Chief Administrative Officer) until the end of my 2nd term in August 2011.

V. ICHPER·SD Journals & Publication Plans

Unfortunately, my office is forced to merge the 2 ICHPER·SD journals (*The Journal of ICHPER·SD & ICHPER·SD Journal of Research*) into one journal due to various factors relating to the Council's priorities and publications in light of the ICHPER·SD financial status and future direction. We have decided to focus publishing *the ICHPER·SD Journal of Research* biannually and to temporarily discontinue the publication of the *Journal of ICHPER·SD*.

We thank and highly recognize **Dr. William Stier, Jr.** for his outstanding contribution as the first Editor of the *ICHPER·SD Journal of Research* for serving 3 years and publishing 6 Journals of the *ICHPER·SD Journal of Research* (Volumes I, No. 1 & 2; Volume II, No. 1 & 2; Volume III, No. 1 & 2). We congratulate and extend our sincere appreciation to Dr. William Stier, Jr., Distinguished Service Professor and Graduate Director, Physical Education and Sport, State University of New York, Brockport, New York, for his remarkable service to the Council's mission, as he now retires as Editor of the *ICHPER·SD Journal of Research*!!!

Please plan to participate in the many ICHPER·SD events we have scheduled for your professional advancement and intellectual enjoyment!

Thank you.