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## Scholar Committee

### 1. Name

- 1.1. The name of this committee will be the Scholar Committee of the Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (TAHPERD).

### 2. Purpose

- 2.1 The purpose of the committee is to select a TAHPERD member to be recognized for their outstanding scholarly activities as the TAHPERD Scholar.

### 3. Eligibility

- 3.1 Qualifications verified by the TAHPERD Office. Candidates must be an active member of TAHPERD, e.g., service, leadership, etc., for the five (5) years preceding nomination.

### 4. Criteria for Selection

- 4.1 Scholarly activities must be in the areas of our profession, health, physical education, recreation, dance, or other kinesiology related disciplines.
- 4.2 Candidates selected shall be clearly outstanding and an individual who is recognized statewide and nationally for their expertise.
- 4.3 Candidates must be actively engaged in the profession for the previous ten (10) years as demonstrated by publications, presentations, and/or creative endeavors.
- 4.4 Candidates must be actively engaged in TAHPERD.

### 5. Operation

- 5.1 Committee members will be responsible for solicitation of nominees. Nominees will also be solicited by publication of a notice in the *Texas HPERD Journal and the TAHPERD electronic newsletter*.
- 5.2 The Scholar Committee shall be composed of nine (9) voting members. Six (6) members of the Scholar Committee shall be appointed by the President-elect for staggered, three (3) year terms. Two (2) of the six (6) appointed members will be previous TAHPERD Scholars and the other four (4) shall represent various interests within the profession. The three (3) College Division Vice-Presidents shall serve as voting ex-officio members of the Scholar Committee with the current Past Vice-President of the College Division serving as chairperson.

### 6. Nomination and Application

- 6.1. Nominations will be sent to the TAHPERD Office on or before February 15. The TAHPERD Office will verify that each candidate is eligible and notify the committee Chair.
- 6.2. The TAHPERD Office will:
  - 6.2.1. Confirm eligibility of each nominee to the committee chair.
  - 6.2.2. Request a complete vita from confirmed nominees.
- 6.3. Email the nominee packets to all committee members. One scholar may be selected annually; however, in the event the committee determines that a

qualified candidate has not been nominated, they may withhold the selection for that year.

- 6.4. Credentials of candidates not selected for the award will remain in the nomination pool for two additional years. A communication from the TAHPERD Office will be sent to request a vita update previous to the next period of consideration each year.
- 6.5. A recipient of the Scholar Award may not receive the award more than once.
- 6.6. The committee will meet during the spring and prior to the TAHPERD Annual Convention as needed.

## **7. Responsibilities for the Scholar Recipient**

- 7.1. The scholar will be expected to present a program at the Annual Convention following the year of her/his selection for the TAHPERD Scholar Award.

## **8. Notification**

- 8.1. The Scholar Committee Chair will notify the TAHPERD Office of the committee's decision.
- 8.2. The TAHPERD Executive Director will notify the recipient of the award recognition.

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