

SHAPE Montana

Proposed Changes to Constitution and By-Laws Presented to the Membership

The SHAPE Montana Board proposes the following changes to the Constitution and By-Laws in order to maintain a properly functioning organization.

Proposed Change: In any instance that the following phrase is used: “The Society of Health and Physical Education”, it will be changed to “The Society of Health and Physical Educators”.

Rationale: The official name of our national organization is the Society of Health and Physical Educators – America. This will allow us to maintain proper wording for the name of our association.

Proposed Change: In any instance that Northwest District is stated, it will be changed to Western District.

Rationale: At the 2018 National Convention at the Delegate Assembly it was approved for the Northwest and Southwest Districts to combine into one district now known as the Western District. This change will allow us to officially recognize this change and use correct nomenclature in the document.

Proposed Change: Article III – Organization, Section 1: SHAPE Montana shall consist of Standing Committees including, but not limited to Governance, Advocacy, ~~Marketing/Public Relations/Awards~~ and Finance. Each committee is organized to serve the professional interests of Health & Physical Educators of Montana. Each committee will be headed by a Board Member appointed by the President. The stricken phrase will be replaced with Public Relations and Awards.

Rationale: We have restructured our board workings and no longer put those three things into one committee. The Awards are done through their own ad hoc committee with a chairperson.

Proposed Change: Article IV- Membership, Section 2: Student membership shall be open to all students enrolled in professional preparation programs in Health and Physical Education upon the payment of annual dues. Student members shall have the right to vote and hold office as a Student Representative. Student representatives will attend Board of Directors meetings as a ~~non-voting member~~. The phrase will be replaced with “voting member”

Rationale: The wording here is confusing and student board members are allowed to vote, this will clean this section up.

Proposed Change: Article VI- Officers, Section 6: Under the section of Board Member-Duties, the following will be added:

Upon election to the board, board members will be required to sign up for two committees from the committees listed below along with one of the items from the volunteer list below.

Committees: Choose one committee from each list:

1. Advocacy or Public Relations
2. Finance or Administrative

Volunteer List: Choose from one of the following to volunteer your time for:

1. MEA Conference Presentation
2. 1 Day SHAPE Workshop
3. MCEL Conference Presentation
4. Advocacy Day
5. Special Projects established by the Board

Rationale: This will continue to give clarity to expectations of all board members and continue to ensure members understand what will be expected of them if they wish to run for election.