

# **Nevada Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance**

## **CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF THE NEVADA ASSOCIATION FOR HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION, RECREATION AND DANCE**

**NAHPERD is dedicated to promoting school and community programs of healthy, physically active lifestyles across the lifespan.**

### **PART I - CONSTITUTION**

#### Article I- Name

**The Nevada state** organization related to the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance shall be known as the Nevada Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance.

#### Article II- Purpose and Objectives

The purpose and objectives of the Nevada Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance are as follows:

1. To encourage quality elementary, secondary, and college physical education programs based upon the needs, interests, and inherent capacities of the individual's optimum development.
2. To provide the leadership essential to the continual development and improvement of programs in health, physical education, recreation, and dance.
3. To promote interest and awareness in health, physical education, recreation, and dance.
4. To promote research and to disseminate information relative to best practices in programs of health, physical education, recreation, and dance across the lifespan.
5. To promote collaborative community relationships leading to support for health, physical education, recreation, and dance programs.

#### Article III- Districts of the State

The Association shall be divided into three geographical districts. These geographical districts shall be designated as Eastern, Southern, and Northern.

1. The Eastern Geographical District shall be comprised of
  - Elko, Eureka, Humboldt, Lander, and White Pine counties.
2. The Southern Geographical District shall be comprised of

- Clark, Esmeralda, Lincoln, and Nye counties.
3. The Northern Geographical District shall be comprised of
- Churchill, Douglas, Lyon, Mineral, Carson, Pershing, Storey, and Washoe counties.

#### Article IV- Membership

The Association shall consist of individual members who are willing to support the purpose as set forth in this constitution.

Membership shall be August 1 through July 31 of each year.

#### Article V- Governance

The Executive Committee shall consist of

- President\*
- President Elect\*
- Past President\* (Immediate)
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Eastern District Chairperson\*
- Southern District Chairperson\*
- Northern District Chairperson\*

\*voting members

The Board of Directors shall consist of

- Executive Committee
- VP Elementary PE
- VP Secondary PE
- VP Adapted PE
- VP Health
- VP Dance
- VP Recreation/Sport
- VP College University
- VP Jump/Hoops for Heart

#### Article VI- Elections and Appointments

The President Elect shall be elected for a one-year term from August 1 – July 31. The President shall not be from the same district for more than three consecutive years.

A Chairperson shall be elected from each geographical district for a one year term of office from August 1 – July 31. The District Chairpersons shall be elected by members of their respective districts.

Vice Presidents of divisions shall be elected from the association membership for a one year term from August 1 – July 31.

The President shall appoint a Secretary, Treasurer and Parliamentarian who shall serve a term concurrent with that of the President.

All Presidential appointments will be approved by the Board of Directors.

#### Article VII- Amendments

All amendments to the Constitution must be submitted to the Board of Directors prior to submission to the association membership.

A two-thirds vote of approval by the membership that respond shall be required for the adoption of an amendment.

### **PART II - BYLAWS**

#### Article I- Divisions

The Association shall consist of divisions as follows:

- Elementary Physical Education
- Secondary Physical Education
- Adapted Physical Education
- Health
- Recreation/Sport
- College/University
- Dance
- Hoops/Jump Rope for Heart

The President may appoint Vice Presidents of vacant positions with approval of the board of Directors.

#### Article II- Dues

All members of the Association shall pay dues. The amount of dues shall be set by the Board of the Directors.

#### Article III- Voting

Members who have paid dues, whether a professional or student member, shall be eligible to vote on any matter or election before the Association. Nominations for officers shall be made by the Nominations Committee with the consent of the nominee. Voting will be carried out in a manner agreed upon by the Board of Directors.

#### Article IV- Professional Development

The President and Division VP's will be responsible for planning professional development;

insofar as possible, the site will alternate, among the designated districts.

#### Article V- Standing Committees

The President shall appoint the following committees:

Budget and Finance/Audit - Immediate Past President Chair  
President, President elect, 3 District Chairs, Secretary, Treasurer  
Nominating – Immediate Past President Chair,  
A representative from each geographical district  
Constitution/Bylaws – reviewed annually by Executive Committee  
Awards – Past-President, Division VP's  
Communication – President Elect, 3 District Chairs  
Membership

#### Article VI- Succession

The President-Elect shall act for the President in his/her absence, and in case of resignation or death of the President. The President-Elect shall succeed him/her for the unexpired term. Should the President-Elect succeed the presidency due to resignation or death of the President, the Board of Directors shall select a District Division Chairperson to carry out the duties of the President-Elect whereupon the affected district division shall elect a new chairperson as instructed by the President.

#### Article VII- Delegates to Alliance Assembly\* \*(April 6, 1998 General Meeting)

The President and President-Elect will be assigned as delegates to attend the Alliance Assembly, held at the annual AAHPERD national conference. Where one or the other designated delegate cannot attend, the President may appoint another officer as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> right of refusal: District Chairperson in districts other than the delegate currently attending who is in good standing with AAHPERD.

2<sup>nd</sup> right of refusal: Another District officer who is in good standing with AAHPERD chosen by the President.

#### Article VIII- Expenses for Officers Attending Meetings\* \*(November 1, 2001 mail-in ballot)

Nevada AHPERD will pay the expenses to provide representation at the following meetings:

AAHPERD Leadership Development Conference (LDC): President-Elect and Executive Director (if appointed).

AAHPERD National Convention (delegates to the Alliance Assembly and the SWD Caucus): President, President-Elect and Executive Director (if appointed)

SWD Annual Convention (delegate to the SWD Board Meeting[s]): President

## SWD Annual Meeting: President and President-Elect

State: Board of Directors meeting will be partially compensated for expenses.

Reimbursed allowance will begin on the day before assigned meeting(s) and will continue until the day after the said meeting(s).

Unused funds given to Nevada delegates by SWD to attend the SWD annual meeting will be surrendered to NAHPERD.

Costs to be paid:

National and SWD Conventions:

Registration (pre-registration costs only)

Air fares for 30 days in advance fares (capped at \$500.00)

Room and daily allowance for meals (state rate used as a guide)

Reasonable costs above and beyond those listed can be paid upon approval of a majority of the Executive Board.

State Board Meeting: Limited to budgetary restraints.

Reasonable costs above and beyond those listed can be paid upon approval of a majority of the Executive Committee.

## Article VII- Robert's Rules of Order

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern all meetings of the Association, unless otherwise provided for in the Constitution

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