
Affiliations Committee Report

The following statements describe the work of the Committee for 1976-77:

1. Advice was sought concerning possible names to be considered for inclusion on the Committee itself. After receiving a limited response, it was deemed best to proceed with the task rather than simply adding names for respectability purposes. For next year it would probably be best to designate — say *four* other names (over and above the new chairperson).
2. After identifying the four other sub-disciplinary societies relating to the social science and humanities aspects of sport and physical activity, correspondence was initiated with each of the people responsible for the management of these societies at present. Two suggestions (or questions) were offered for their consideration as follows: (1) that they

consider holding their annual meetings at the same time and place as NASSH on some sort of a rotational basis — perhaps every three or four years (?), the idea being that joint sessions of mutual interest could be arranged; and (2) that they consider holding their annual meetings (or at least some “semi-annual sessions”) at the same place as AAHPER just prior to their dates — say on Wednesday and Thursday. A variety of personal responses were received, and each person agreed to discuss this with his executive committee or council.

3. For several reasons, including the “drying-up” of travel funds for meetings and conferences, approaches have been made to both the AAHPER and the American Academy in the United States, and to the Canadian Association for Health, Physical Education, and Recreation and the Canadian Association for Sport Sciences, to ask that they give consideration to the establishment of annual *sequential* conference schedules. Additionally, it was suggested that consideration might well be given to an arrangement whereby the sub-disciplinary groups would be invited — and it would be made advantageous to them-to meet at the same place so that interested people would be available to each of the three groups (i.e., AAHPER, Academy, and NASSH) to improve the calibre of meetings.
4. A dialogue has been established with the ERIC Clearinghouse on Teacher Education in an effort to improve the calibre of their holdings and publications related to physical education and sport through cooperation from the five sub-disciplinary societies and the collaboration of the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, and Recreation.

Recommendations for the Future

1. That a five-person committee be established for 1977-78 and thereafter to continue the work begun along these lines. The appointments should be made so that there will be holdovers from the previous year on the committee, and so that a person will become chairperson during the second or third (presumably the last one) year on the committee.
2. That the Council consider the directions being taken at present by the chairperson; that it endorse the suggestions and/or recommendations being made, *or* that it suggest alternate policies and procedures; and that the Council recommend other directions or approaches for next year’s committee to seek to implement.

Respectfully submitted,
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Chairperson

Appendix — Listing of Five Sub-Disciplinary Societies Contacted

1. The North American Society for Sport History (Dr. Guy Lewis, Univ. of Massachusetts, Amherst, President)
2. The Philosophic Society for the Study of Sport (Dr. Francis Keenan, SUNY College at Brockport, N.Y., President)
3. The International Committee for the Sociology of Sport (Dr. Gunther Lüschen, Univ. of Illinois, Urbana, President; Dr. Gerald Kenyon, University of Waterloo, Ont., General Secretary)
4. North American Society for Psychology of Sport and Physical Activity (Dr. Richard A. Schmidt, Univ. of Southern Calif., L.A., President)
5. The Association for the Anthropological Study of Play (Dr. Phillips Stevens, SUNY at Buffalo, President-elect)