

S T A T E M E N T

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Regarding: Submitted Scientific Works for Participation in Contest For Occupying Academic Position ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR at Plovdiv University Paisii Hilendarski under: Higher Education Area 1. Pedagogic Science, Professional Field 1.3. Pedagogy of Education in... (Theory and Methodology of Physical Education and Sports Training, Including Kinesiatics Methodology), Announced for the Needs of Theory and Methodology of Physical Education Department

In the contest announced for the academic position ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR (State Gazette issue No. 96 of 20.11.2018) there is only one candidate - Assistant Prof. PhD Silvana Venelinova Boeva.

Assistant Professor Silvana Boeva graduated in 1987 the National Sports Academy Vasil Levski in Sofia with qualifications awarded Master in Physical Education and Sports and Volleyball Coach. In 2002 she acquired from Plovdiv University Paisii Hilendarski second Master degree in Economics with major Human Resources Management. Since 1988 she is a lecturer at Plovdiv University Paisii Hilendarski, where in 2013 successfully defended a dissertation and was awarded PhD educational-scientific degree.

Assistant Professor Silvana Boeva reads lectures and conducts seminar practical trainings to students from Bachelor and Master educational-qualification majors at Plovdiv and the affiliates in Smolyan and Kardzhali. She has run a number of lecture courses, seminars and scientific forums at Faculty of Pedagogy of Plovdiv University.

The scientific production of Assistant Prof. Silvana Boeva fully covers the minimum national requirements for admission to and participation in the Associate Professor contest. They have been approved by a committee on the scientific-research production quality at Plovdiv University Paisii Hilendarski. A total of 24 scientific works have been presented for review, which include:

- Monographs, textbooks and student books - 5.
- Publications in collections and scientific journals – 19, out of which 12 are independent and 7 are in co-authorship.

The publications presented meet the scientific production requirements. They are based on reliable methods and approaches used by the author. In all works shows through the author's ability to reveal the problems and the prospects in the educational process and, in particular – those related to schoolchildren, in physical education and sports classes. The main guideline in Assistant Prof. Silvana Boeva's scientific production is related to elaborations on the physical development of schoolchildren in primary school and, in addition – to those playing volleyball.

Silvana Boeva has presented two monographs for the participation in the contest for occupying the Associate Professor academic position.

The first is Physical Training of Children of Primary School Age – Theoretical Grounds and Practical Application, in which the physical training matter at primary school is discussed in a methodical-practical aspect. The monograph is 105 pages, 144 publications are cited (43 in foreign language) and it is structured in two chapters. The first one reveals on the basis of theoretical grounds the physical fitness of the schoolchildren in result of their physical training and their physical abilities as a condition and an approach for diagnosing. The second reveals in an emphasized practical approach the physical abilities development of primary age schoolchildren. Within the frames of a pedagogical experiment carried out in the course of a year the resulting changes are followed as in their condition, so in their coordination abilities. Conclusions are made with high methodological-applied value.

The second monograph is titled Educational Process in the Physical Education and Sports at Primary School – Problems and Prospects. In a theoretical formulation the author reviews and characterizes in three chapters the educational process in the physical education and sports with its changes and concepts. In this scientific work a detailed conceptual definiteness for the overall physical education system is made, as well as an interpretation of the term *sportization*, being the most precise definition of the contemporary physical culture of the humankind. A competent characteristics of the current system of physical education and sports in the Republic of Bulgaria is made, as well as the problems in the various aspects of the system are pointed out. Valuable advice is given for work improvement in the country's primary school. The monograph is 126 pages and 161 publications have been researched, out of which 30 in foreign language.

Assistant Prof. Silvana Boeva has submitted for the Associate Professor contest 12 independent scientific publications. They reveal a big in volume methodical-research activity. They all are dedicated to:

- The physical development and physical fitness of schoolchildren at primary school age (1, 2, 6, 7).
- The volleyball activities impact on the physical abilities development of the growing up (3, 4, 5, 12).
- Processes optimization in the physical education and sports classes by practicing physical games and track-and-fields exercises (8, 11).
- Students' healthy life style (9).
- Choosing the profession of a Physical Education and Sports teacher (10).

As a co-author Silvana Boeva has submitted 7 scientific publications, out of which her name is listed first in 5.

The candidate in the Associate Professor contest has been part of authors' team in writing 3 educational materials. In the university's textbook Theory and Methodology of the Physical Education Silvana Boeva has competently developed independently Chapter Three – The Physical Education at Middle and Upper School Age, and participated in the methodology of education part of the program material for primary school age. In the manual Methodology of the Physical Education Boeva has described as a co-author the technique and methodology of education in three sports disciplines – track-and-fields, basketball and volleyball. The most contemporary manual Theory and Methodology of the Physical Education definitely stands out and Silvana Boeva has a central place in it, along with Prof. V. Magaritov in the joint editorial board.

Summary scientific contribution:

- The submitted scientific production speaks of a large scale research, methodological-applied and pedagogical activity.
- The physical education and sports system was researched by using contemporary theoretical-methodological and applied methods.
- The education methodology at primary school was perfected through analytical methods, as well as guidelines were given for the overall

physical education and sports educational process optimization in the case of schoolchildren.

- Through a correctly used content-analysis, along with a systematic-structured approach an analysis was carried of the state and the development of the physical education and sports system in the Republic of Bulgaria.

From the reference enclosed it becomes clear that Silvana Boeva has been cited in a number of scientific researches in national sources. It is evident from the reference enclosed that Silvana Boeva has advised students in 3 scientific forums and was graduate supervisor to 2 graduates. She has participated in 3 scientific-research projects, as well as in a workgroup within the Ministry of Youth and Sports for preparation of educational programs for the Physical Education and Sports subject.

The sources of the publications have been correctly used in the scientific production presented and no plagiarism was found.

Conclusion:

Based on the analyses and evaluations made of the indicated scientific-applied contribution of the scientific works, as well as of the qualities of Assistant Prof. Silvana Boeva as a lecturer and scientific worker I propose to be awarded the academic position ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR at Plovdiv University Paisii Hilendarski in professional field 1.3. Pedagogy of Physical Education in... (Theory and Methodology of Physical Education and Sports Training, Including Kinesiatrics Methodology).

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