

Opinion

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Subject: Competition for the academic position of " **Associate Professor** " in the professional field 7.6 Sports, specialty Sports (Handball)

Information about the competition:

The competition has been announced in SG no. 96 of 19.11.2021. The competition is for the needs of the Department of Basketball, Volleyball, Handball. I participate in the Scientific Jury of the competition according to Order № 1684 / 15.12.2021.

Information about the candidates in the competition.

Only one candidate participates in the competition for the academic position of " Associate Professor " - Chief Assistant Professor Sasho Georgiev Chaney, PhD, who is a lecturer in the HANDBALL sector at the Department of Basketball, Volleyball, Handball.

Sasho Chaney was born on October 31, 1961 in the village of Ilindentsi. He completed his secondary education in 1980. in Construction Technical School, Blagoevgrad. After graduating from Higher Institute of Physical Culture and Sport „G. Dimitrov“, now NSA "V. Levski", Sasho Chaney acquired the qualification "Handball Coach and Physical Education Teacher".

Since April 1994, after winning a competition, he has been employed as a handball teacher at the NSA "Vasil Levski", where he still works.

He is a member of the Academic Council of NSA "V. Levski "- 3 mandates and of the Faculty Council at the Faculty of Pedagogy - 2 mandates.

In 2018, after successfully defending a dissertation on the topic: "Age peculiarities in the development of the specific working capacity of adolescent handball players" he was awarded the educational and scientific degree "Doctor".

Fulfillment of the requirements for holding the academic position "Associate Professor ".

For participation in the competition Chief Assistant Professor Sasho Chaney presented a report on the implementation of the minimum national requirements and

the Rules of the NSA "Vasil Levski" for holding the academic position. It is clear from the report that the total sum of points on all indicators from A to E is 772.5 points.

The scientific production with which Chief Assistant Professor Sasho Chanev participates in the competition for "Associate Professor" includes:

- Dissertation work (presented with abstract) - 1 pc.
- Monograph - 1 pc.
- Publications in scientific journals - 15 pcs.

3 of them are in journals that are indexed in world databases. Of all 15, 6 are independent and the remaining 9 are co-authored.

All submitted publications meet the requirements for scientific production. They are based on the reliable scientific methods and approaches used by Sasho Chanev.

A purposeful research activity is evident in all of them.

The dissertation work with its fundamental goal to optimize the sports training of 17 - 19 - year - old handball players, revealing their specific ability to work in training and competitions, is a work of high scientific and applied value. A normative system for control of sports training has been developed in it, through the demonstrated models of sports training of the handball player.

The presented monographic work "Model characteristics and competitive efficiency in handball" is of high value. The work meets all the criteria for a monograph. It is developed in 3 sections, and in the first, the author discusses the problems of selection in handball. The second section is devoted to the model characteristics of the modern handball player. Here the author discusses the problems associated with the structural development of teams. An essential part of the monographic work is the third section, which reveals the peculiarities of the game activity and competitive realization in handball.

The generalized conclusion that I can make on both main works is: The presented works are entirely research, they have methodological-applied and practical orientation.

The publishing activity of Chief Assistant Professor Sasho Chanev is the result of his scientific and teaching experience. All presented scientific publications can be classified in the following areas:

1. Research related to the study of problems aimed at the specific features and qualities of the successful handball player.
2. Research related to the physical development and specific performance of adolescent handball players.
3. Research related to the disclosure of the physical capacity of students from sports schools with a profile "Handball".
4. Research related to the peculiarities of the game activity and competitive realization in handball.

Evaluation of scientific and applied scientific contributions.

- The textural structure of the physical development and the specific working capacity of 17-, 18- and 19-year-olds are revealed handball players.
- Curricula for training and a system for evaluation of the results of sports training of students from sports schools with a profile "Handball" have been developed.
- A system for registration of hits in the handball goal has been developed and tested in practice.
- For the first time in Bulgaria a normative base for control and optimization of the sports training of 17 - 19 - year - old handball players has been developed.
- Modern scientific research and mathematical-statistical methods are used and analyzed in the scientific production.
- All scientific production has a practical and scientifically applied nature.

In the scientific works of Chief Assistant Professor Sasho Chanev, no forms of plagiarism have been found. I have no critical remarks about him.

CONCLUSION: Based on the analyzes and evaluations, the indicated scientific and applied contributions, as well as the qualities of lecturer and

researcher, I propose to the Chief Assistant Professor Sasho Georgiev Chaney, PhD to be awarded the academic position of "**Associate Professor**" in professional field 7.6. Sports, specialty Sports (Handball).

Prepared the opinion:

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