

REVIEW

of scientific production and the academic commitment of Chief Assistant Professor Sasho Georgiev Chaney, PhD for participation in the competition for "Associate Professor" of NSA "V. Levski" in the professional field 7.6. Sports, specialty Sports - Handball for the needs of the Department of Basketball, Volleyball, Handball
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The Department of Basketball, Volleyball, Handball, respectively the subject - Handball are basic in the educational structure of NSA "Vasil Levski" with a study load in all three levels of education - Bachelor, Master and Doctor. For this reason, the competition for the academic position of "Associate Professor" was announced quite rightly and with sufficiently serious arguments.

Only one candidate participates in the competition - Chief Assistant Professor Sasho Georgiev Chaney, PhD.

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA AND ACADEMIC ACTIVITY OF THE CANDIDATE.

Chief Assistant Professor Sasho Chaney, PhD was born in 1961. Graduated from VIF "G. Dimitrov" (now NSA "V. Levski") in 1991 with a degree in handball coach and physical education teacher with a master's degree. Since 1994 he has been an assistant and later a chief assistant in handball. Conducts lectures and seminars in all forms of education and faculties in NSA "V. Levski ". Three times as a member of the Academic council and two times as a member of the Teacher Faculty council (now Pedagogy). He defended his doctoral dissertation in 2018 with the topic of his

dissertation - "Age characteristics of the specific working capacity of adolescent handball players."

He has a serious coaching practice with the teams of NSA "V. Levski" - men and women in handball, as well as with the national team of Bulgaria for youth and active competitive activity in prestigious teams and clubs. Lecturer in handball courses and member of the coaching and methodological commission at BHF. Participant in a number of national and international scientific conferences. Also participated in two educational projects at NSA "V. Levski".

Honorary citizen of Strumyani municipality.

He speaks Russian and Greek.

EVALUATION OF THE APPLICANT'S SCIENTIFIC QUANTITATIVE DATA.

In the competition for associate professor Ch. Assistant Professor Sasho Chanev, PhD presents as follows:

- Doctoral thesis - 1 pc. - 50 t.
- Monographic work - 1 pc. - 100 t.
- Publications and reports published in scientific journals, referenced and indexed in world-famous databases with scientific information - 4 pcs. - 120 t.
- Publications and reports published in unreviewed journals with scientific review or published in edited collective volumes - 12 pcs. - 202.5 points (five individuals, the remaining 7 co-authored).
- Citations or reviews in scientific journals, referenced and indexed in world-famous databases with scientific information or in monographs and collective volumes - 1 pc. - 15 t.
- Citation in monographs and collective volumes with scientific review - 60 vols.
- Citations or reviews in non-referred journals with scientific review - 55 points.
- Participation in a national scientific or educational project - 6 pcs. - 90 t.

- Participation in an international scientific or educational project - 1 piece - 20 points.

- Won awards from national sports competitions - 10 points.

- Guide for graduates - 20 points.

The general analysis convinces us that according to quantitative parameters, the presented scientific and methodological production of the candidate Ch. Assistant Professor Sasho Chanev, PhD fully meets the minimum requirements of NSA "V. Levski" for participation in a competition for the academic position of "Associate Professor" of NSA "V. Levski".

QUALITATIVE EVALUATION OF THE APPLICANT'S SCIENTIFIC PRODUCTION.

1. Evaluation of the contributions in the presented monographic work - "Model characteristics and competitive efficiency in handball" in a volume of 136 pages, published in 2021. The monograph contains three main sections that are logically related. The main theoretical and methodological contributions can be summarized as follows:

1. The peculiarities of the selection in the modern handball are revealed and the main forms for its organization are described - the so-called spontaneous and organized form.

2. The main factors of heredity are considered, as well as the influence of environmental factors. The importance of handball athleticism for successful performance in competitive conditions is pointed out.

3. A normative base for control and assessment of the physical development and the specific working capacity of the future elite handball players applying to the sports schools of the Republic of Bulgaria has been developed.

Of particular interest are the model characteristics of the modern handball player developed in the second section. The so-called handball universalism must

include perfect mastery of technical and tactical actions, combined with specific motor abilities. The applied factor analysis makes it possible to determine the most important characteristics of the competitors according to their contribution to their development.

An essential part of the monographic work is the third section, aimed at revealing the distinctiveness of the game activity and the competitive realization in handball. Several methods for collecting information and registering the competitive performances of athletes in the stressful conditions of the handball competition are also presented.

The monographic work also contains the author's own research in the field of sports psychology and evaluation of the competitive effectiveness of the world's handball elite.

It is the candidate's own work and fully meets the requirements of the law for such scientific publications.

2. Evaluation of the contributions from other scientific publications.

We can group them as follows:

1. In-depth study of problems related to the specific abilities and qualities that build the individual model of a successful handball player (*7 publications in scientific journals, 4 of them in referenced and indexed in world-famous databases of scientific information*). Here the main contributing moments are as follows: the main morphological features characterizing the physical development and its dynamics in the age aspect depending on the specifics of the game post are revealed. The somatotype features of the Bulgarian handball players (men and women), as well as of some other schools - Greek and Serbian - are presented and described in general and by playing positions. The peculiarities of the special motor qualities of the handball player, which are the basis of handball athletics, as well as some important psychological characteristics for success are indicated.

2. The factor structure of the physical development and the specific working capacity of adolescent 18-year-old handball players is revealed (1 publication, published in scientific journals, unreferred and indexed in world-famous databases with scientific information). Serious contributions are difficult to point out here. But from a cognitive point of view, it has its value and points to a problem for future research in handball.

3. A normative base for control and optimization of sports training at the age of 17-19 has been developed on a total of 34 indicators, the only one so far in Bulgaria at this age handball players (2 independent publications, one of which published in scientific journals, referenced, and indexed in world-renowned databases of scientific information). Here the contributions are of theoretical and methodological nature, with signs of novelty and relevance for the theory and practice of handball and a basis for future research in this field. In applied terms, it will serve to find solutions and approaches to improve the training process with young handball players.

4. The peculiarities of the game activity and the competitive realization in handball are revealed (2 publications). The comparative analysis of the game activity of elite handball teams is a basis for improving the game of the Bulgarian teams. The observed game performances of young handball teams under 19 show that the game in defense is essential for success (example - the team of Egypt).

The study on the level of development of the specific working capacity of the students from 5th to 12th grade of the sports schools in Bulgaria with profile "Handball" is the basis for the development of a system for evaluation of achievements and a system for initial selection and orientation, as well as criteria for acquiring the professional qualification - assistant coach.

6. Other research - in the field of school physical education; registration of hits in the handball goal, stress reactions in handball players using an experimental model of competitions with a minimum of physical activity. Interestingly, heart rate is an indicator that gives an accurate assessment of the level of emotional stress (2

publications (co-authored) in unrefereed journals with scientific review or published in edited collective volumes). I cannot point out any contribution moments here, but establishing interesting facts is always in the interest of sports science.

SUMMARY

From the above, the clear theoretical and practical profile orientation of the candidate in the direction of theory and methodology of teaching and training in handball is impressive. Such a profile fully corresponds to the direction of the announced competition - Handball.

No facts of plagiarism have been established in the scientific works of the candidate for associate professor - Ch. Assistant Professor Sasho Chaney, Ph.D.

I have no serious critical remarks on the scientific production and academic commitment of Ch. Assistant Professor Sasho Chaney, Ph.D.

CONCLUSION

Considering the overall appearance of the candidate, the stated positive evaluations, scientific contributions, and his long academic and coaching experience, I believe that the members of the scientific jury have sufficient grounds to award Ch. Assistant Professor Sasho Chaney, PhD of Academic Position "Associate Professor" of NSA "Vasil Levski" in professional field 7.6. Sports - Handball for the needs of. Department of Basketball, Volleyball, Handball.

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