**National Association for Kinesiology in Higher Education**

**ENGAGED SCHOLAR PROGRAM SUBCOMMITTEE**

**Operations Code**

1. **Name**

The name of the Subcommittee will be the Engaged Scholar Program (ESP) Subcommittee under the Leadership Institute (LI) of the National Association for Kinesiology in Higher Education (Corporation).

1. **Purposes**

The purpose of the Engaged Scholar Project Subcommittee will be to provide mentoring and networking opportunities for a junior scholar (Assistant/Associate Professor) through working with a senior scholar (Associate/Full Professor) and support professional growth in the tenure and/or promotion process, increase scholarly productivity in the field and become a productive member of the association.

1. **Organization**
   1. The ESC Subcommitte will be under the supervision of the LI
   2. The project will be implemented by a subcommittee headed by a Program Coordinator.
   3. The Subcommittee shall consist of three voting members nominated by the LI Chair and approved by the President. The LI Chairperson shall serve as an ex officio member.
   4. The selection of ESP Subcommittee members will be based on a record of applied scholarship who have shown themselves to support the Boyer model of scholarship.
   5. ESP Subcommittee members are ineligible for Engaged Scholar awards during their tenure on the ESP Subcommittee.
   6. Subcommittee members shall be appointed for a term of three years, with one person rotating off the Subcommittee every year.
   7. Subcommittee members may be re-appointed after serving a previous term.
   8. The Program Coordinator of the Subcommittee shall be a member of the LI Leadership Team.
2. **Conduct of Business**
   1. The duties of the Subcommittee shall include the following but not limited to:
      1. Solicitation of nominees through association publications and by other appropriate means.
      2. Evaluation of nominees and selection of award winners.
      3. Obtaining recommendation of the LI Chairperson for award winners.
      4. Performance of other tasks appropriate to the purview of the Subcommittee and the mission of the corporation as assigned by the Board.
   2. The Subcommittee shall meet at least once annually for the discussion and conduct of business. Subcommittee business may be conducted by telephone, electronically, and/or through the mail as necessary.
   3. Nomination forms shall be included on all Corporation media and may also be distributed electronically, or by other means.
3. **Engaged Scholar Award**
   1. The Corporation offers up to three $2000 Engaged Scholar awards each year.
   2. The award recipients shall meet the criteria for the award as set forth in Engaged Scholar Application.
   3. Upon recommendation by the LI Chairperson, the selections of the Engaged Scholar Award shall be considered and approved by the Board of Directors.
   4. Eligibility:
      1. Engaged Scholar Status
         1. Must be a current NAKHE member
         2. Must hold the rank of assistant/associate professor
         3. Must be an active scholar with a demonstrated area of scholarship:
            1. Provide a current curriculum vita including information regarding current academic rank status.
            2. Provide most recent scholarly endeavors (publications and presentations within the past 5 years)
            3. Provide a statement of a research interest area (1 paragraph)
            4. Nominate a NAKHE senior mentor (rank of professor) OR request a mentor from the ESP Subcommittee; and
            5. Provide a possible research project (1 paragraph)
         4. Must be available to collaborate with a senior scholar over a 12-month period on a joint research project
         5. Assume responsibility to produce tangible scholarly work (presentations and publications)
         6. Must meet all required deadlines
      2. Senior Scholar Status
         1. Must be a current NAKHE member
         2. Must be an established scholar in a subdiscipline of kinesiology
         3. Must be an Associate/Full Professor
         4. Must be available to collaborate with the selected Engaged Scholar on a specified research project with the intent of establishing a joint research project over a 12-month period
         5. Provide a current curriculum vita
   5. Engaged Scholar Program Expectations
      1. ESP Dyads (junior and senior scholar) begin collaborations in June of the year immediately after notification of the award.
      2. The ESP dyads will present update sessions in January of the next year (7 months after award date).
      3. Final project presentations will be scheduled for the annual conference 18 months after award date
4. **Amendments to the Operations Code**
   1. The operations code for the ESP Subcommittee may be amended by a majority vote of the LI Committee subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.
   2. Changes to the Operations Code may be submitted to the Bylaws Chairperson by June 1st of each year. All additional operations code changes should be submitted by November 1st in preparation for the January NAKHE Board meeting.
5. **Timeline**

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| **Date** | **Activity** |
| March 15th | ESP Announcement live in the NAKHE website |
| April 15th | All Applications DUE DATE |
| April 25th | Membership Check |
| April 30th | Send Letter/Contract to Committee Members |
| May 1st-5th | Committee Meeting |
| May 1st-5th | Send Applications for Review |
| May 15th | Complete Review of Applications |
| May 20th | Scoring and Identifying Awards |
| June 1st | Notification of Award |
| June 30th | Release of Funding |
| July thereafter | Research work |
| January TBD (7 months after – year 2 | Presentation of Project update to the NAKHE conference |
| January TBD (16-18 months after – year 3) | Presentation of Final Project to the NAKHE conference |

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