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I originally joined the National Association of Kinesiology in Higher Education in 2016 and quickly became involved through service on the Bylaws Committee, consistent conference attendance and presentations, and encouraging the conference attendance of colleagues and graduate students. My background and strengths align with the Vice President-elect position on the National Association of Kinesiology Executive Board and I would like to expand my involvement in NAKHE through service in that role.

As an Associate Director for a growing school with over 1,600 students and 60 faculty and staff with 10 academic programs in the Allied Health field I know how to efficiently, appropriately, and effectively work with others to realize a shared vision. In this role I have also appreciated the opportunity to support my director, be a champion for his great work, and serve in the director capacity when he is not able—something I can offer the NAKHE Vice President as well. Through my administrative role within a unit that houses several Kinesiology disciplines, I am connected to the needs and expectant future of our Kinesiology students and faculty.

I have served on the Executive Board for the National Consortium for Building Healthy Academic Communities in a variety of relevant roles for five years. In these roles I have learned how to work with a team of volunteers to keep an academic organization thriving. I have also served on their conference planning team since 2018 and assisted with the planning of in person conferences and one fully virtual conference. I was the host and lead planner for their conference in 2023. Due to this experience, I am well-versed on the visionary, managerial and administrative side of planning, hosting, and evaluating a conference.

My service and leadership on the NAKHE Bylaws Committee has equipped me to understand the NAKHE Bylaws, the process, history, and opportunities. That experience I already have will open viable avenues for appropriate Bylaws processes. As a regular volunteer reviewing NAKHE conference proposals, I am familiar with that process, aware of its strengths and opportunities, and can effectively deliver the call for papers for the upcoming conference. My administrative experience, executive board experience and NAKHE experience position me to serve well in the Vice President-elect role for NAKHE.