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AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION, AND RECREATION

Committee on Student Section

To: Directors of Health and Physical Education for
Boys and Girls

Dear Director:

Dr. Anne Schley Duggan, president of the American Association for Health, Physical Education, and Recreation has appointed a committee on student section whose primary purpose is to encourage major students to take a more active part in Association affairs. With this object in mind we are writing to every teacher-training institution that offers a major or minor in health and physical education, in order to get your suggestions on this problem.

We feel that one of the best methods of enlisting the interest of students is to have them become members in their state and national Associations. The need for a young, enthusiastic group to swell our ranks has become more apparent than ever before with the development of this national emergency. The benefits of such membership are well known to you. There are about 250 departments offering a major or minor in our field in this country. The memberships of every one of these institutions in themselves would aid the Association tremendously. And membership should be a great aid in the plan for interesting the students.

Another opportunity for creating interest among students is attendance at state and national conventions. Many of you are doing a fine job on this. Will you send us your suggestions for getting students to attend these meetings? If one delegate could be sent from every teacher-training institution to the National Convention and could take back the ideas and stimulation gained at that meeting we could be a big step forward in student interest.

One of the main functions of this committee is to draw up tentative plans for the organization of a national student section to take its place with the other national sections such as Dance, Research, etc. This should be quite a factor in creating interest among students, and it is hoped that it will be further acted upon by the students at the New Orleans Convention.

We are enclosing a short list of questions on the above topics. You will greatly aid the work of this committee if you will answer these items as fully as possible. We plan to tabulate the replies from every institution and to send the complete list of suggestions back to you so that you may share the ideas and methods of other places.

Also, included in this letter is a letter from the chairman of your Southern District student section to the president of your major club. Will you please see that the student letter gets to the proper person and, with your guidance, back to Miss Hess on the date specified. In a few cases, the two questionnaires may seem to overlap. If so, it is because we are anxious to have the viewpoints of both faculty and students on the same points.