

OPINION

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REGARDING: the scientific works of Assoc. Prof. Dr. Radka Emilova Vasileva, presented for participation in the issue announced in SG no. 21 of 13.03.2020 competition for the academic position "professor" in the field of higher education 1. Pedagogical sciences, professional field 1.2. Pedagogy (Pedagogy, animation and education) - 1 (one) for the needs of FP, announced by Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski "

The opinion was assigned by a decision of the Scientific Jury, determined by an Order of the Rector of Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski ". The only candidate in the competition is Assoc. Prof. Dr. Radka Emilova Vasileva, lecturer at the Faculty of Pedagogy at Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski ". The submitted documents meet the requirements of the Law for the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria and the Regulations for its implementation for holding the academic position "Professor".

I. Biographical information and general characteristics of the candidate's works

Assoc. Prof. Radka Emilova Vasileva PhD, holds the academic position of "Associate Professor" at the Faculty of Pedagogy at Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski ", Department of Didactics since 2007.

He has been awarded the scientific degree "Doctor" in field 1. Pedagogical sciences (diploma №25308 / 03.08.1998)

In addition to teaching as a teacher during the years of professional and personal development, he holds other positions (Manager and creative director of Educational Theater Ltd. and Fun Science Theater Ltd.) and social commitments (member of the board of editors of an educational magazine in the United States; member of the Management Board of the Academy for Children at Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski." Participates as a trainer and consultant in various types of training.

The publications and the results of the research activity of Assoc. Prof. Dr. Radka Vasileva are used in the lecture courses and seminars conducted by her within 7 academic courses.

The list of disciplines in which Assoc. Prof. Dr. Radka Vasileva has an academic workload is presented as a necessary lecturer in the Department of Didactics at the Faculty of Pedagogy at Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski".

The results of the conducted theoretical and practical-applied researches show that she constantly updates and enriches the educational content in the academic disciplines she leads.

Assoc. Prof. Radka Vasileva, PhD participated in the competition for the academic position of "professor" with 14 scientific papers for review, as follows:

- Monographs - 2;
- Textbooks - 1;
- Articles and reports published in scientific journals, referenced and indexed in world-famous databases with scientific information - 4 issues
- Articles and reports published in non - peer - reviewed publications with scientific review or published in edited collective volumes - 7.

These publications have a specific style of presentation, which highlights the specific scientific interests of the candidate and allows to differentiate the original contributions.

The works are not submitted for participation in other competitions for awarding scientific degrees and academic positions.

From the presented reference for the citations it can be seen that in the scientific literature in publications of Bulgarian and foreign authors there are 22 (twenty two) citations.

The scientific production of the candidate is characterized by methodological endurance and precision.

The way the results are developed and presented, the style, the language and the external form meet the requirements and standards for academic scientific publications.

With the presented scientific papers for participation in the competition and the noticed citations, Assoc. Prof. Radka Vasileva, PhD meets the minimum national requirements for holding the academic position "Professor", field of higher education 1. Pedagogical sciences, professional field 1.2. Pedagogy, according to Appendix to

Art. 1a, para. 2 of the Regulations for application of the Law for the development of the academic staff in the Republic of Bulgaria (New, SG No. 56/2018, effective 06.07.2018) - *Minimum national requirements for scientific, teaching and / or artistic creativity or the sports activity of the candidates for acquiring a scientific degree and borrowing the academic positions "chief assistant", "associate professor" and "professor" in scientific fields and / or professional fields in Field 1. Pedagogical sciences, Professional field 1.1. Theory and management of education, 1.2. Pedagogy, 1.3. Pedagogy of teaching*

The main habilitation work of Assoc. Prof. Radka Vasileva, PhD focuses on the specific for theory and practice Art animation approach. The main contribution arising from the definition of the Art animation approach in education stands out.

It is presented in many aspects in the context of various scientific fields: philosophy, pedagogy, art and social sciences.

Its beginning is analyzed and traced through cultural-historical and socio-pedagogical interpretation of art animated practices, which gradually become specific with their impact phenomena of visual art and education.

The second monograph "Model of educational drama at school" reveals and proves the importance of educational theater for school education and its functioning as an effective model for learning.

It lists numerous educational, upbringing, socializing and cultural values in the use of educational drama in Europe and worldwide. In their connection and perspective, the Model of School Educational Drama itself is presented as developing the individual in the context of group and individual experiences, formed in a specially constructed through drama techniques and events environment in which personal and group is considered, analyzed, interpreted and evaluated. experiential experience.

The two monographic works presented in the competition deserve high praise, both for the relevance of the issue and the degree of in-depth analysis.

II. Teaching and research activities of the candidate

The teaching activity of Assoc. Prof. Radka Vasileva, PhD is connected with the Faculty of Pedagogy at Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski".

Her participation in trainings in short-term and long-term courses, specializations and projects is also very active.

The reports on the workload show that Assoc. Prof. Vasileva has the necessary annual hours.

Moreover, her academic courses are provided with author's works.

The detailed acquaintance with the documents of Assoc. Prof. Radka Vasileva, PhD shows that she has significant academic and teaching experience and has established herself as an authoritative teacher with successful practice in training specialists in the field of pedagogical science.

The scientific activity of Assoc. Prof. Radka Vasileva, PhD is dedicated to the study of a number of current and important issues of pedagogy and animation in education.

III. Main scientific and educational-methodical contributions in the works of the candidate

The contributions in the works of Assoc. Prof. Radka Vasileva, PhD can be generally characterized as:

- Discovering and proving new, significant aspects and characteristics of a topical and significant for pedagogical science, approach (Art animation approach) and its application in pedagogical practice;
- formulation of new ideas, concepts and approaches in the field of ART animation in education;
- new knowledge on the treated scientific problems;
- creation of original scientific and educational content.

Scientific contributions

The scientific contributions in the works are in the professional field 1.2. Pedagogy.

They are obtained as a result of summarizing the theoretical and applied research conducted by the candidate and can be found in the scientific publications submitted for review in the competition.

Scientific contributions can be formulated as follows:

1. An original Art animation approach in education is defined and presented in many aspects.

2. Original applied formats of the Art animation approach for the purposes of school and non-formal education are presented.

3. A functioning model of the Educational Theater "Fun Science" has been developed, which works successfully in the educational system for students and teachers, is related to the goals of teaching and education and can be used to solve social problems and interpersonal conflicts.

4. An author's theoretical-applied model of educational drama "School educational drama" has been created.

IV. Conclusion and proposal

The complete acquaintance with the teaching and scientific-applied activity of Assoc. Prof. Radka Vasileva, PhD gives grounds to make the following conclusions about her qualities, namely:

- Organizes and effectively conducts the assigned academic and project activities.

- Successfully implements scientific and applied research in the field of pedagogy and educational theater.

In view of the research qualities of the candidate, the accumulated research and professional experience, I positively assess the candidacy of Assoc. Prof. Radka Emilova Vasileva, PhD to hold the academic position "Professor" in the field of higher education: 1. Pedagogical sciences, Professional field: 1.2. Pedagogy (Pedagogy, Animation and Education) at Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski", Faculty of Pedagogy, Department of Didactics.

Member of the scientific jury:

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