



**Governance Committee Minutes**

**March 17, 2021 @ 2:00 pm ET**

- I. Meeting Call to order at 2:00pm by Governance Chair Angie VanSchoick.
- II. Attendees: Angie VanSchoick-CO, TJ BeMent-GA, Kathy Griffin-MI, Greg Lambard-NJ, Kim Free-UT, Peter Kiefer-Ret., Kent Pankey-VA, Mark Dalton-PA, Kelly Hutton-ND, Ron Truss-Ret., Rick Pierce-PA, Tina Mattison-AZ, Jeff Chapple-MO, Kevin Bowling-MI, Nicole Garcia-AZ, Erin Carr-NCSC, Dorothy Howell-NJ, Rob Zaltany-IL, Will Simmons-GA, Theresa Owens-WI
- III. Review of the February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meeting minutes were approved as submitted.
- IV. Committee recaps
  - a. Committee on Diversity and Inclusion - Will Simmons
    - They are evaluating all aspects of NACM, including the National Agenda and CORE materials to make sure the information is representative of where we're going
  - b. Ethics subcommittee report - Pete Kiefer
    - Chair Peer Kiefer reported that 50 Ethics codes were posted, topics and included topics that may be broadly unethical. He revised the questions used on the Ethics Video Conversation. Next possible topic, "If Employees will be mandated to take COVID19 test,"
    - Kevin posted potential topics that relate to inappropriate behavior by judges. He stated that a potential source might be retired staff who may speak more candidly about the matter
- C. State of the Profession address and Voice of the Profession Survey
  - Dorothy Howell reported that she received the 2019 and 2020 surveys from Greg Lambard and that a meeting of the committee will occur prior to April 2021 meeting. Subcommittee consists of Dorothy, Greg, Nicole and Rick Pierce.
  - State of the Profession Address is due at the annual conference and the committee will begin work in June 2021



d. National Agenda

- Committee met and reviewed the collected work. A review of the hyperlinks is scheduled to make sure that information is current.

e. Operations Manual subcommittee

- Committee met February 19, 2021. The committee will meet again to go over the manual and make sure links are correct.

f. Dates of significance - July 11-15, 2021 - Annual Conference

- Kathy Griffin reported that the conference committee is meeting with the hotel on April 1, 2021. They are discussing an in-person conference.
- She polled the board members on the call if they would attend an in-person conference, and most responded yes. There were some reservations due to travel restrictions, budgetary constraints and the Pandemic.
- A survey is to be distributed to NACM members and its partners to gauge potential attendance at an in-person conference. TJ BeMent suggested adding a question to the survey to ascertain if vaccination is a determining factor for in-person participation.

V. New Business – None

VI. Adjourn at 2:28 pm