

# Governance Committee Minutes June 17, 2020 2 p.m. EDT

- I. Call to order at 2:03p
  - Attendees
    - a. Rick Pierce
    - b. Angie VanSchoick
    - c. Pete Kiefer
    - d. Kim Free
    - e. Tina Mattison

- f. Kathy Griffin
- g. Kevin Bowling
- h. Kelly Hutton
- i. Mark Dalton

#### II. Committee recap

Rick welcomed attendees to recap the past year and discuss the next year's committee. Hoping for continuity if Angie ends up as Chair next year - pending Board approval, of course. Previous committee minutes approved as presented.

- a. Resolutions subcommittee Rick
  - i. In April we discussed possibility of NACM Core(R) resolution, which was determined to already exist in 2015. Concluded not needed to write a new one. Point was to give a thank you/kudos/recognition of what SJI has done for NACM and the Core(R). May be more resolutions next year, especially with National Agenda. Normally have supportive resolutions from CCJ/COSCA summer meeting, but that's on hold due to them not meeting this year, yet.
- b. Ethics-Subcommittee report Pete Kiefer
  - i. Ethics subcommittee took a several month hiatus was difficult to get work done. Getting back into projects we're working on this year. Sent out ethics code survey recently. Proud of fact there are at least 30 ethics codes on site right now which is good since just started it last year. Ethics challenges/issues content is out there right now to discuss. Intended to be a living document. Amy McDowell recently sent new ethics issue/question involving court employees willing to march/protest and what are implications of court employees being engaged with that. Pete thought that would be interesting to explore and will be putting that on the issues/challenges document. Wondering if that would be an excellent topic for a video discussion to record and post on NACM site get several court administrators regarding policies/procedures in engaging in marches or protests and the implications for the court, court employees and/or community. Prefer it a video discussion rather than audio/podcast. Discussion around how timely this would be. PA State issued statement about conduct in relation to employment and participation.
  - ii. Working on video ethics scenario and developed one in a draft stage. Received positive feedback and can share if others are interested in viewing. Welcomes any comments/suggestions regarding the video.
  - iii. Meet again next week and pressing on with issues.
- State of the Profession address Rick

# Strengthening Court Professionals

i. Text has been completed and sent to Will Simmons. Due to the speech being given virtually, it was cut down quite a bit to accommodate attention spans. Cut in half from the in-person version. Working on visuals for presentation while Will is speaking. Will's working on recording it for us. SOP will be presented during the NACM business meeting on July 15th.

# d. National Agenda - Angie

i. Rick reached out to Pam Harris with COSCA to get the survey distributed to them. Once they have that distributed, we'd reach out to NASJE with the specific survey questions for them. We'd then also get feedback from NACM members. The process had to take a 3 month hiatus, but we're ready to move forward and start getting this created.

### III. Dates of significance

- a. NACM Virtual Conference TJ BeMent
  - i. TJ was unable to attend, but Kathy shared that NACM has sent out RFPs for various virtual conference platforms. Will be viewing one on Monday (6/22) and hope to have a decision made by June 30th. Hope to go with one day per week starting August through October (most likely Thursdays) with the Business Meeting and State of the Profession meeting occurring in July. Dependent on availability of the company. All the speakers willing to be virtual are lined up, so really just waiting for decision on who to use for a virtual platform. Morning, mid-day and afternoon session would happen on that one day. So, not as many as in-person, but will have various tracks, plenaries, SIG sessions, vendor showcase and sponsored sessions. Instead of being 90 minutes, they will be 60 minutes. If a session would require more time, it will be 2 sessions. All sessions are set based on the original agenda. For those speakers who did not want to do a virtual presentation, they will carry over to the next Annual Meeting. Attendees will need to register to attend, but everything will be at no cost to attendees.
  - ii. It will be like being at an actual conference, not just watching someone talk. Sounds really good for everything that we've had to figure out in a short time.

#### IV. Governance Future Projects

- a. NACM year comes to a close during the NACM business meeting, which is the same day as the usual Governance committee meeting. There will be new leadership in August, but Rick will still participate as a committee member. Rick asked those in attendance if there is anything Governance or NACM should address and we can determine if that fits with this committee or another NACM committee. He opened the call for any suggestions and also said they could be emailed to him. Some projects roll over year to year, such as resolutions, ethics, and the state of the profession. The National Agenda will be something to keep in mind every year.
- b. Kathy thanked this committee for all the important work this committee has done SOP, National Agenda, Ops Manual, etc are all important and needed. Rick concurred and thanked everyone for what they have done.

# V. Adjourn at 2:39p