# **Governance Committee Minutes**

**October 4, 2023, 3:00 p.m. Eastern via Zoom**

Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/93807989162?pwd=ZjV5S0pDOW1WalN6eFYwakkzTm03Zz09>

Chair: Brandon Kimura Vice Chair: Nicole Zoe Garcia

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1. **Call to Order**

Chair convened the meeting at 3:04 Eastern. Attendees: Brandon Kimura, TJ BeMent, Courtney Whiteside, Nicole Garcia, Mandy Sarkissian, John Paul, Roger Rand, Charles Mapp, Alicia Sheppard, Creadell Webb, Mark Weinberg, Rick Pierce.

1. **Reading and Approval of Minutes of prior meeting**

Minutes presented and approved as presented **with addition of Mandy Sarkissian as attendee.**

1. **Reports of Sub-Groups**
   1. Ethics Subcommittee – Courtney Whiteside, Chair. Held first meeting on NACM code of conduct review. Possible addition of canons re treatment courts and social media. Accordingly, may need additional meetings; TBD.
   2. Resolutions Subcommittee
   3. Bylaws Subcommittee – Nicole Garcia. Group decided to add the word “inclusive” in original Mission and Vision.
      * DEI Committee recommends DEI language into MVV rather than a separate DEI MVV.
   4. Operations Manual Task Group
   5. State of the Profession Task Group – To be established around Spring 2024
   6. Voice of the Profession Task Group – To be established around Spring 2024
2. **Unfinished Business**
3. Discuss other potential initiatives to undergo before July 2024 Annual Conference. None raised.
4. **New Business**

None.

1. **Announcements**
   1. Dates of significance
      1. 2024 Midyear Conference, February 4–6, 2024, Orange County, California
      2. 2024 Annual Conference, July 21–6, 2024, New Orleans, Louisiana
      3. Future meeting dates on the Wednesday of the month at 3:00p ET

November 1, 2023

December 6, 2023

January 3, 2024

February 7, 2024

March 6, 2024

April 3, 2024

May 1, 2024

June 5, 2024

1. **Adjourn**

Chair adjourned the meeting at 3:42 Eastern.