



AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR NUDE RECREATION
WESTERN REGION, INCORPORATED

Motion No 2023 07 A6 Date 29-Jul-23

We

I move that ... BL Art. IV, § C, sub-§ 1 be rewritten as:

~~1. Delegates to the Regional Assembly shall be elected each year not more than 90 days prior to the opening prior to the opening session of the Assembly.~~

1. Voting by proxy shall not be allowed.

RATIONALE:

1. Proxy voting can result in less participation by voting members when discussing issues. This is particularly of concern when dealing with issues and motions, where hearing different perspectives during the meeting can be critical for members who are still deciding how to vote.

~~2. The purpose of separating ballot voting from nominations from the floor is to encourage only those with a commitment to AANR West to stand for regular election. Nominations from the floor should only be used in extreme circumstances in order to fill positions.~~

3. It can impact attendance if members get too used to voting by proxy. The organization may find that certain members or all members tend to be less motivated, which can impact the quality of Board meetings, discussion of critical issues, and Board oversight.



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RATIONALE (cont):

4. Additionally, Robert's Rules disallows proxy voting for non-profit organizations. Robert's Rules states, "... proxy voting is incompatible with the essential characteristics of a deliberative assembly in which membership is individual, personal, and nontransferable ..."

5. With the elimination of the proxy vote, the question then becomes what format does AANR-West use to attempt a healthy discussion, as well involvement by members not able to attend the Regional Assembly.

6. Additionally, no suggestion is being made that clubs, particularly those incorporated as for-profit businesses, not have their input significantly represented; thus, the change from proportional voting to head-count voting.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

MAKER:

Signature BL&PM Committee

Print Name BL&PM Committee

SECOND:

Signature Duly seconded by Comm

Print Name Duly seconded by Comm

FOR: <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 24px; color: green;">138</div>	AGAINST: <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 24px; color: red;">0</div>	ABSTENTIONS: <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 24px; color: blue;">0</div>
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