Convention 2026 … Regional Assembly I Minutes

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR NUDE RECREATION • WESTERN REGION, INC.

Laguna del Sol • Wilton CA • 7th August 2026
Andy Walden, AANR Western Regional Secretary

9:00 AM PDT — AZ CA NV (10:00 AM CO NM UT WY • 6:00 AM HI) … CALL TO ORDER 00:05:30

Pledge of Allegiance – The Vice-President leads the assembled.

Moment of Silence – "When someone you love becomes a memory; the memory becomes a treasure." – Unknown

Host Club's Greeting – Suzanne Schell welcomes members to LAGUNA DEL SOL.

Introductions – AANR Officers and Club Representatives:
- Cyndi Faber, AANR-West trustee-elect
- Patty Faber, AANR vice president
- Tim Mullins, AANR Government Affairs Team chairman
- Suzanne Schell, LAGUNA DEL SOL and MIRA VISTA RESORT owner
- Linda Weber, AANR president

On-Line Audience – Attendees via Google Chat:
- Fredericka Carlile
- Juan G.
- Mark Kadrich
- Ilan Levy
- Kerry McCarty
- Mike Selby

Roll Call – Officers for AANR Western Region:

• President	Tom Stark	SHANGRI LA RANCH	AZ	present
• Vice President	Jeff Jackson	ROCKY MTN NATURISTS	CO	present
• Secretary	Andy Walden	Direct AANR member	HI	present
• Treasurer	David Ziegler	SHANGRI LA RANCH	AZ	present (on line)
• Trustee	Kathy Watzel	MOUNTAIN AIR RANCH	CO	present

9:09 AM … SEATING OF DELEGATES 00:14:30

Credentials – Jeff Jackson conducts a roll call of Club Delegates:
The preliminary count is 4,420 votes; simple majority is 2211, ⅔ majority is 2947.

CLUB	DELEGATE	VOTE
Glen Eden Sun Clb	M. Pavelchak	1314
Laguna del Sol	S. Schell	1437
Las Vegas Naturist	*no credentials submitted*	
Mira Vista Resort	S. Schell	525
Mohave Sun Club	A. Price	31
Mtn Air Ranch	K. Watzel	546
Naturists in the OC	*no credentials submitted*	
Nº Calif Exposure	T. Mullins	10

CLUB	DELEGATE	VOTE
Nº Nevada Nats	*no credentials submitted*	
Olympian Club	*no credentials submitted*	
Roadrunner Nats	*no credentials submitted*	
Rocky Mtn Nats	J. Kennard	35
The Sequoians	B. Carroll	116
Shangri La Ranch	C. Faber	351
Sº Calif Nat Asn	M. Jiménez	44
Sº Utah Nat Soc	N. Dunn	7

CLUB	DELEGATE	VOTE
Wasatch Naturists	*no credentials submitted*	

DIRECT AANR MEMBER	VOTE
Fredericka Carlile	1
Larry Gould	1
Jack Johnson	1
Andy Walden	1

Oath of Delegates – Tom Stark administers the pledge and installs the voting delegates for the Assembly.

Approval of Minutes – The 2025 AANR Western Regional Assembly:
- Motion 2026 № 08-A1 by Michael Jiménez (SCNA), second Suzanne Schell (LdS) … **15** | **0** | **0** → ***PASS***.
  "… the Minutes for the two-day 2025 Regional Assembly for the American Association for Nude Recreation, Western Region, on 25th and 26th July 2025, be approved by the delegates as written."

Adoption of Rules, Order of Business & Agenda – The 2026 AANR Western Regional Assembly:

- Motion 2026 № 08-A2 by Tim Mullins (NCE), second Adrian Price (MSC) … **15** | **0** | **0** → ***PASS***.
  "… the Rules, Order of Business and Agenda for the 2026 Regional Assembly of Delegates for the American Association for Nude Recreation, Western Region, on 7th and 8th August 2026, be adopted as submitted."

9:15 AM … OFFICERS' REPORTS

00:21:01

President – Tom Stark stands by his report as written:

- On-line voting will be used for the first time in the Assembly Election during Saturday's session. The system has been α-tested as well as β-tested for both delegate and direct member scenarios.

Vice President – Jeff Jackson stands by his report as written:

- Six nomination forms were received for seats on the Board of Directors; one later rescinded his submission.

SEAT	INCUMBENT	CLUB	STATUS		NOMINEES
Directors	Michelle Carlson	SLR	eligible	open	Michelle Carlson SLR Nicole Manker LdS Mark Pavelchak GESC Adrian Price MSC Kathy Watzel MAR
	Michael Jiménez	SCNA	continuing	occupied	
	Mark Kadrich	LdS	continuing	occupied	
	Eric McCarty	LdS	continuing	occupied	
	Mark Pavelchak	GESC	eligible	open	
	Steven Schubert	SLR	continuing	occupied	
	Mike Selby	MSC	resigning	open	
	Debra Sue Stevens	NCE	continuing	occupied	
			unoccupied	open	

Secretary – Andy Walden stands by his report as written:

- Members on NudistClubhouse.com are encouraged to register their visit to LAGUNA DEL SOL using the unique *check-in* feature found on the only virtual AANR-affiliated club.

Treasurer – David Ziegler stands by his report as written.

Trustee – Kathy Watzel stands by her report as written:

- This year's National Conference of State Legislatures was in Chicago.
- On the most recent membership census, AANR West is up 84 members.
- The AANR Convention is 11-16 August, hosted by THE WILLAMETTANS near Marcola, Oregon.
- Organizational changes are happening with SOUTHERN UTAH NATURIST SOCIETY (SUNS); Jeff Jackson is working with the new leadership.
- Work continues on the *Gold Seal* program as a mark of assurance and operational excellence for affiliated clubs, resorts, and landed communities.

9:23 AM … COMMITTEE REPORTS

00:29:29

Internal Administration – The committee has no report to the Regional Assembly.

Finance – Eric McCarty stands by his report as written.

Public Relations – Tom Stark provides an update regarding this committee:

- Gary Holden has volunteered to temporarily return to PR until a new chairman is selected.
- Michelle Carlson will continue with the Tourism Outreach subcommittee.

☞ **Oath of Delegates** – *Tom Stark administers the pledge and installs Cyndi Faber who was absent earlier.*

Membership – Michael Jiménez stands by his report as written.

Club Relations – Jeff Jackson stands by his report as written:

- The non-landed club subcommittee is now working with seven people from other regions to get clubs started.
- Four new groups are pending, hopefully getting organized by the end of the year.
- **California** – Mark Pavelchak stands by his report as written:
  - **GLEN EDEN SUN CLUB** – The resort is the site for the SCNA Summer Games.
- **Hawai'i** – Andy Walden stands by his report as written.
- **Utah** – Andy Walden stands by the report as written:
  - **SOUTHERN UTAH NATURIST SOCIETY** – As previously stated, Nathan & Jaime Dunn are the new leaders for the SUNS, and working to add membership, find interesting venues as well as eventually meet weekly.

Marketing – Eric McCarty stands by his report as written:

- The first *Bring a Friend Day* will be hosted by LAGUNA DEL SOL; gift bags will be handed to first time visitors at the reception on the lawn fronting Unit № 1000 at 7:00 PM Saturday.
- **Multinational Outreach** – Andy Walden stands by his report as written:
  The genesis of this subcommittee was to develop awareness about Nudism *south of the border*. With the data regarding an increase in website traffic from Europe and Australia, the focus will shift for the new term.

Women in Nude Recreation – Fredericka Carlile stands by her report as written.

Family
Young Adults } *These committees ebb and flow through the years and are activated when necessary.*

- These two committees are in need of leadership; Cyndi Faber is graciously *voluntold* to help with Young Adults, thanks to her dedication and mentorship capabilities!

Sports – Mark Pavelchak stands by the report as written:

- Appreciation and thanks to Mike Selby for his work on the survey for the Sports Committee.

Bylaws & Procedure Manual – The committee has no report to the Regional Assembly:

- Tom Stark is thankful for the updates to the ruling documents and requests an additional augmentation:
  - The positions of President and Vice President are nonexistent and one line respectively.

Government Affairs Team – Steven Schubert stands by the reports as written:

- **Arizona** – House Bill 2133, presented as an anti-revenge / child pornography bill, was approved by both houses and sent to the Governor, who vetoed it stating that, amongst other reasons, it was essentially redundant.
- **Hawai'i** – A development plan by the Department of Land & Natural Resources would severely restrict access to Pu'u Ōla'i. Nudity on *Little Beach* has long been their issue, and a lobbyist has been retained by AANR.
- Michael Jiménez presents a verbal update:
  - **California** – Reports of people leaving the designated nude section of Bates Beach, and also of carnal activities in public, have been brought the attention of the Santa Barbara County Sheriff. *Friends of Bates Beach* has historically been appreciated for its ambassador program, and the group is working with county officials to monitor beach activities so that the clothing-optional section may continue. Also, the *$2 Bill* project to make local merchants aware of the nudists' spending in the community endures.

- Kathy Watzel presents a verbal update:
  - AANR has spent approximately $23K and countless volunteer hours in the Western Region for its legal challenges in Arizona and Hawai'i alone.
- Tim Mullins presents a verbal update:
  - The focus on lobbying in the Western Region has been greater this year than in the past 15. The efforts at the annual National Conference of State Legislators are to protect the availability of nude recreation on private and public lands. The push will continue; GAT has monitored over 2000 bills this year alone.

Legal – The committee has nothing to report to the Regional Assembly.

- Ratification of Actions – The 2025-2026 AANR Western Regional Board of Directors:
  - Motion 2026 № 08-A3 by Mark Pavelchak (GESC), second Kathy Watzel (MAR) … **15** | **0** | **0** → ***PASS.***
    "… the actions taken by the 2025-2026 Board of Directors for the American Association for Nude Recreation, Western Region, be approved by the Delegates as legislated."

10:15 AM … BREAK

01:20:40

10:33 AM … RETURN TO ORDER

01:38:52

Conventions & Facilities – The committee has no report to the Regional Assembly.

- With appreciation to the staff of LAGUNA DEL SOL for all the help and coöperation in planning the Convention.

Credentials – Jeff Jackson reports no additional delegates or floor nominations have been received.

Western Nudist Research Library – Mark Pavelchak stands by the reports as written:

- The WNRL celebrated its 25th Anniversary in July. Founded as a collaboration between GLEN EDEN SUN CLUB and the Western Region, it is a living tribute in the memory of Ray & Mildred Connett.

10:45 AM … NOMINATIONS

01:50:50

Tom Stark – According to the Bylaws, a tabulation committee of three is required in order to verify the ballot and count the votes. This has been rendered moot with the online voting system now in place. Mark Kadrich, Maureen Stark, and Debra Sue Stevens are volunteered.

10:47 AM … ANNOUNCEMENTS

01:52:32

Tom Stark – A request for a 9:00 AM *return to order* for Saturday's session is approved by the assembled. All foods and soft beverages are being paid by the Region as a *thank you* to the Board of Directors.

Jeff Jackson – AANR Northwestern Regional trustee Jenny Agee also leads the *AANR Ambassador* program, a dynamic, boots-on-the-ground initiative of passionate members to officially represent, promote, and advocate for Nudism, offer information at local events, welcome new visitors at clubs, and share naturist content online.

NOMINATIONS REMAIN OPEN UNTIL ELECTION TIME ON DAY II OF THE REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

11:01 AM PDT FRIDAY … ASSEMBLY IN RECESS

02:07:20

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9:02 AM PDT SATURDAY… RETURN TO ORDER 00:02:22

NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR ARE STILL OPEN UNTIL THE CALL FOR ELECTIONS

9:02 AM … NOMINATIONS 00:03:05

Jeff Jackson – Additional nominees need to submit their application forms to *vicepresident@aanrWest.org* as soon as possible. Standing nominees thus far are:

- Michelle Carlson — SLR
- Mark Pavelchak — GESC
- Kathy Watzel — MAR
- Nicole Manker — LdS
- Adrian Price — MSC

9:05 AM … G A T PRESENTATION 00:05:30

Steve Shubert – A demonstration of the State Net website.

> ☞ *State Net is a search-engine service owned by* LexisNexis *that helps organizations track legislation and regulations across all states and territories, the federal government, and many local municipalities or jurisdictions. It is commonly used by compliance teams, government affairs professionals, lobbyists, and law firms. The platform provides legislative and regulatory monitoring, bill and regulation tracking, automated alerts, legislative calendar management, side-by-side comparison of bill versions, and vote tracking and reporting tools.*
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> *The* National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) *has partnered with State Net and LexisNexis to provide legislative tracking and research capabilities to legislators and legislative staff as a comprehensive tool for monitoring and analyzing legislative and regulatory changes, primarily for compliance and government affairs work.*

9:15 AM … ELECTION INSTRUCTIONS 00:15:25

Tom Stark – A presentation of the new on-line balloting system for both delegates and direct member voting.

9:33 AM … BREAK 00:33:44

10:30 AM … RETURN TO ORDER 01:30:22

"Elevator" Speeches – Each candidate is allotted sixty seconds to recap their qualifications.

- **Kathy Watzel** – Member of MOUNTAIN AIR RANCH (35 yrs), MAR Board of Directors (25 yrs), former AANR President (4 yrs), outgoing AANR West Trustee.
- **Michelle Carlson** – Member of SHANGRI LA RANCH, AANR West Board of Directors (1½ terms).
- **Nicole Manker** (absent) – AANR West direct member (5 yrs), member of non-profit BoD, treasurer, executive director, event coördinator, marketing director.
- **Adrian Price** – Member of Mohave Sun Club (3 yrs), SCNA (2 yrs), nudist for 50+ years, engineering degree.
- **Mark Pavelchak** – Member of GLEN EDEN SUN CLUB (15 yrs), Western Nudist Research Library president.

☞ **Oath of Delegates** – *Tom Stark administers the pledge and installs Nathan Dunn, Jack Kinnard, and Jack Johnson.*

10:54 AM … ELECTIONS 01:54:40

Nominations for Directors – Jeff Jackson requests three times for additional candidate nominations:

« OYEZ! OYEZ! OYEZ! »

- Motion 2026 № 08-A4 by Suzanne Schell (LDS/MVR), seconded M. Pavelchak (GESC) … **15** | **0** | **0** → ***PASS***
  "… the nominations for seats on the Board of Directors of the American Association for Nude Recreation, Western Region, be closed."

NOMINATIONS FOR THE OPEN SEATS ON THE REGIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS ARE CLOSED

Seating of Vote Tabulation Committee – Cyndi Tendick designates the following to count ballots:

- Mark Kadrich
- Maureen Stark
- Debra Sue Stevens

Voting Procedures – Tom Stark reviews delegate ballot rules as voting on *aanrWestVoting.com* begins.

11:19 AM … ELECTION RESULTS 02:19:45

The 2026-2027 Officers and Board of Directors for the AANR Western Region are:

SEAT	NAME	CLUB	TERM*	
President	Tom Stark	SHANGRI LA RANCH	2025	2027
Vice President	Jeff Jackson	ROCKY MTN NATURIST	2025	2027
Secretary	Andy Walden	DIRECT AANR	2019	2028
Treasurer	David Ziegler	SHANGRI LA RANCH	2021	2028
Directors	Michelle Carlson	SHANGRI LA RANCH	2022	2027
	Steve Schubert	SHANGRI LA RANCH	2022	2027
	Mark Pavelchak	GLEN EDEN SUN CLUB	2024	2028
	Debra Sue Stevens	Nº CAL EXPOSURE	2025	2027
	Eric McCarty	LAGUNA DEL SOL	2025	2027
	Mark Kadrich	LAGUNA DEL SOL	2025	2027
	Michael Jiménez	Sº CAL NAT ASSN	2025	2027
	Kathy Watzel	MOUNTAIN AIR RANCH	2026	2028
	Adrian Price	MOHAVE SUN CLUB	2026	2028

* Those incumbents with an underscored term year will be ineligible to stand for reelection at the end of their present tenure.

Tom Stark – This was the Region's first online electronic ballot. The results are:

- Mark Pavelchak (GLEN EDEN SUN CLUB) ....4413 votes ← reëlected
- Michelle Carlson (SHANGRI LA RANCH) .....4413 votes ← reëlected
- Kathy Watzel (MOUNTAIN AIR RANCH) .....4405 votes ← elected
- Adrian Price (MOHAVE SUN CLUB) .....4357 votes ← elected
- Nicole Manker (DIRECT AANR MEMBER) .... 60 votes ← alternate

11:21 AM … SEATING OF THE 2026-2027 BOARD OF DIRECTORS 02:21:41

Oath of Office – Tom Stark officiates the installation to the newly elected Board members. Kathy Watzel is exempt from taking a seat until her term as Regional Trustee ends at the AANR Membership Meeting & Convention.

11:23 AM … AWARDS PRESENTATION 02:23:23

Jeff Jackson – The 2026 AANR Western Regional Awards are:

- **Membership Increase by Number** – SHANGRI LA RANCH with 31 additional members.
- **Membership Increase by Percentage** – WASATCH NATURISTS with a 21% gain.
- **Man of the Year** – *no nominations received*.
- **Woman of the Year** – *no nominations received*.
- **Family of the Year** – *no nominations received*.
- **Young Man and Young Woman of the Year** – *no nominations received*.
- **Bill Hawk Sportsmanship Award** – *no nominations received*.
- **Bob Page GAT Memorial Award** – *no nominations received*.

- **AANR Western Region Hall of Fame** – *no nominations received*.

11:24 AM … BUSINESS REFERRED TO THIS ASSEMBLY 02:24:24

Cyndi Faber – SHANGRI LA RANCH last hosted AANR-West in 2024.

- Motion 2026 № 08-A6* by Kathy Watzel (MAR), second Cyndi Faber (SLR) … **15** | **0** | **0** → ***PASS***
  "… the 2027 Convention & Regional Assembly for the American Association for Nude Recreation, Western Region, hosted by SHANGRI LA RANCH on *dates to be determined* be approved."

Eric McCarty – Expense report applications are available; please complete and return to the Finance Committee.

11:31 AM … NEW BUSINESS FOR THIS ASSEMBLY 02:32:12

11:32 AM … ANNOUNCEMENTS & GOOD OF THE ORDER 02:32:32

Tom Stark – Another 7:00 PM reception will be at № 1000. Bring a friend or someone new to social Nudism.

11:35 AM PDT … ADJOURNMENT 02:35:35

President – Request for Adjournment:
With no objections, the 2026 AANR Western Regional Assembly is adjourned by proclamation.

Respectfully Submitted,

Secretary, AANR Western Region