Spring 2026 — Board Meeting Minutes

AMERICAN ASS'N FOR NUDE RECREATION • WESTERN REGION, INC.

*via Google Meet • 2nd, 4th March 2026**
Andy Walden, AANR Western Regional Secretary

7:07 PM AZ CA NV — 8:07 PM CO NM UT WY • 4:07 PM HI … CALL TO ORDER 00:00:30

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

Roll Call – Eight of the nine Directors are present via *Google Meet*. Quorum is declared by the President:

•	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
•	Trustee	Kathy Watzel	MOUNTAIN AIR RANCH	CO	present
•	Directors	Michelle Carlson	SHANGRI LA RANCH	AZ	present
		Dustin Cox	ROCKY MTN NATURISTS	CO	present
		Michael Jiménez	Sº CAL NATURIST ASSN	CA	present
		Mark Kadrich	LAGUNA DEL SOL	CA	present
		Eric McCarty	LAGUNA DEL SOL	CA	present
		Mark Pavelchak	GLEN EDEN SUN CLUB	CA	present
		Steven Schubert	SHANGRI LA RANCH	AZ	present
		Mike Selby	MOHAVE SUN CLUB	AZ	excused
		Debra Sue Stevens	Nº CALIFORNIA EXPOSURE	CA	present

Introductions and On-Line Audience:
- Larry Gould
- Cyndi Tendick

Adoption of Agenda – The Spring 2026 Board of Directors Meeting:
- Motion 25/26 № 03-01 by Michael Jiménez (Debra Sue Stevens) … **8** yeas | **0** nays → ***PASS***.
  "… the Agenda for the Spring 2026 Board of Directors Meeting for the American Association for Nude Recreation, Western Region, on 2nd and (if necessary) 4th March, 2026, be adopted as submitted."

Approval of Minutes – The Fall 2025 Board of Directors Meeting:
- Motion 25/26 № 03-02 by Steven Schubert (Eric McCarty) … **8** yeas | **0** nays → ***PASS***.
  "… the Minutes for the Fall 2025 Board of Directors Meeting for the American Association for Nude Recreation, Western Region, on 12th November, 2025, be approved as written."

7:14 PM … OFFICERS' REPORTS 00:7:30

President – Tom Stark stands by his report as written:
- This meeting is an opportunity to augment or update reports already submitted to the Board. It is not a time to present a comprehensive verbal review of committee activities; the Secretary is not to be a personal amanuensis!
- The LAS VEGAS BARES has been contacted regarding their low membership census. They have agreed to become a participating business as opposed to having club status.

Vice President – Jeff Jackson stands by his report as written:
- (*no update necessary*)

Secretary – Andy Walden stands by his report as written:
- An email was sent to the Board members prior to this meeting requesting *makers* and *seconds* for the standing motions. The response was quick and complete. This brings Oliver Ellsworth's system to the digital age.

Treasurer – David Ziegler stands by his report as written:
- (*no update necessary*)

Trustee – Kathy Watzel stands by her report as written:
- For anyone considering to stand for an AANR office in this year's election, the nomination form needs to be submitted to the Kissimmee office no late than 15th March, along with a personal summary of qualification.
- The AANR Confidentiality Agreement Committee are looking at three forms of allegiance: the original form, an oath when taking office, and an addition to the Governance Manual. Disagreements over the pact continue.

President Emerita – Cyndi Tendick presents a verbal report:
- The AANR Marketing Committee gives kudos to this region and its Board: from over 900 responses to the *AANR Choice Awards* questionnaire, two of the top five favorite clubs are in AANR Western Region!

7:25 PM … COMMITTEE REPORTS 00:18:30

Internal Administration – No committee report for this session.

Finance – Eric McCarty stands by his committee report as written:
- (*no update necessary*)

Public Relations – No committee report submitted for this session.

Membership – Michael Jiménez stands by his committee report as written:
- Online meetings are planned to continue work on gaining new members.
- This region is gaining new members but has difficulties retaining memberships.

Club Relations – No committee report submitted for this session:
- **Non-Landed Outreach** – Jeff Jackson stands by his subcommittee report as written.
  - The *face-to-face* meeting of non-landed coördinators planned for 11th May will need to be rescheduled.
- **Hawai'i & Utah Clubs** – Andy Walden stands by his subcommittee reports as written.

Marketing – Eric McCarty stands by his committee report as written:
- **Multinational Outreach** – Andy Walden stands by his subcommittee report as written.
  - Reports from Zipolite indicate no retaliatory violence or threats thereof in Oaxaca resulting from the recent death of cartel leader Nemesio "el Mencho" Oseguera-Cervantes by Mexican military on 22nd February.

Women in Nude Recreation – No committee report submitted for this session.

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

Sports – Mark Pavelchak stands by the committee report as written:
- No survey responses received yet from non-landed clubs, save for Rocky Mountain Naturists. Jeff Jackson has contact information for the club organizers to encourage participation with the study.

By-Laws & Procedure Manual – Larry Gould stands by his committee report as written:
- Work continues on verbiage to outline specific duties and responsibilities for officers and Board members.

Government Affairs Team – Steven Schubert stands by his committee report as written:
- Approximately 180 bills which, using key word searches, need to be reviewed for possible threats to Nudism.
- AZ House Bill № 2133 has enough potential to warrant hiring a lobbyist; Hawai'i and Utah have similar bills.
- A fundraiser, *Pocket Pennies / Nifty Nickels*, will run through November to help meet the financial challenges.

Legal – No committee report submitted for this session.

Conventions & Facilities – No committee report submitted for this session.

Credentials – No committee report submitted for this session.

Western Nudist Research Library – Mark Pavelchak stands by his committee report as written:

- (*no update necessary*)

7:55 PM … BUSINESS SPECIFICALLY FOR THIS MEETING 00:49:25

7:56 PM … NEW BUSINESS 00:49:35

- **Tom Stark** – This region needs to maintain our status through relative, up-to-date documentation as required by federal, state and local governments. This is paramount in case of investigation or audit, so short of a mandate, committee chairmen are asked to submit a report for the upcoming Convention packet in July.
- **Larry Gould** – The *World Social Science Association* will host seminars on any issues related to Nudism at its upcoming conference in Albuquerque during the first week of April 2026. Free online attendance will be available for certain discussions.
- Motion 25/26 № 03-03 by Conventions & Facilities (C&F) … **8** yeas | **0** nays → ***PASS***.

"… the 2026 AANR Western Regional Convention & Assembly be hosted by Laguna del Sol on 7-9 August, 2026."

8:04 PM … ANNOUNCEMENTS 00:57:53

- **Andy Walden** – AANR has provided a collection of tchotchkes which will be taken to SUNS in St George as well as GVSC in the coming weeks. Mahalo to Max Schuttauf for bring the spiffs from Kissimmee to the Mid-Winter meeting, where they were handed off to Patty Faber and Cyndi Tendick who brought them to SLR.

8:05 PM … GOOD OF THE ORDER 00:58:50

- Debra Sue Stevens and Mark Kadrich are willing to act as liaisons for organizing the activities and events for the now confirmed Convention at LAGUNA DEL SOL. Benchmarking last year's gathering at GLEN EDEN SUN CLUB, let's keep improving and make this year even better!
- Michelle Carlson will be sending emails towards the end of March asking for travel and accommodation requests for July. This will help in coördinating flight arrivals, carpools and other travel logistics.
- Tom Stark and David Ziegler are looking into covering meals at LdS using interest earned on our accounts.

8:20 PM PDT … ADJOURNMENT 01:14:14

With no objections, the Spring Board of Directors Meeting for the American Association for Nude Recreation, Western Region, is adjourned by proclamation.

Respectfully Submitted,

Secretary, AANR Western Region

Since all scheduled business of the agenda was accomplished on the first night, a second session of the Spring Board of Directors meeting is unnecessary.

AANR GAT Fundraising Campaign

Turn Your Small Change into Real Change Fundraiser for our GAT Programs
Donate those pocket pennies in the USA and nifty nickels in Canada for GAT!
Your Small Change Can Make a Big Difference

Purpose of the Campaign: Legislatively, we have seen an increase in the number of proposed bills in recent years that directly threaten our nudist privileges and way of life. Addressing these challenges requires funding, resources, vigilance, and action. Not responding could have consequences far greater than financial costs. It could jeopardize the freedoms AANR has worked for more than 90 years to establish and protect. Supporting these efforts today helps ensure that our rights are not taken away tomorrow.

We have also seen a rise in requests to help our members fight personal battles where nudity has been weaponized in custody battles, employment issues, and unjust citations for public nudity.

By getting our members and affiliates involved, not only will we raise the money to help fund our Government Affairs Team program, but it will also help educate them about the threats we face and how it could potentially affect them.

Our clubs may place out a jar on their reception counter with the flyer, which will educate them about GAT as well as the promotion.

In the US, we are taking advantage of the discontinuation of minting the penny. In Canada, the smallest coin is the nickel. We are hoping this small ask will bring in more funds as well as educate on the purpose of GAT and the threats.

Length of the Campaign: January 2026 through the end of November 2026.
Prize Categories: One prize for the Region who brings in the most coinage – pennies for the US and nickels for Canada, and one prize for the Region who brings in the most money.

Let's see your creativity!

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Motion № 25/26 | 03 | 03 Date 2-Mar-26

We
I move that...
... the 2026 AANR Western Regional Convention & Assembly be hosted by

Laguna del Sol on 7-9 August, 2026.

RATIONALE:
In accordance with Article IV(B) of the AANR-West Bylaws which states, "The Convention shall be held within thirty (30) days prior to the AANR Annual Membership Meeting, at a time and place to be determined by the Regional Assembly."

FISCAL IMPACT:
Refer to either the Treasurer or the Chairman of the Finance Committee for fiscal impact.

MAKER:
Signature Conventions/Facilities
Print Name Conventions/Facilities

SECOND:
Signature Duly seconded by Comm
Print Name Duly seconded by Comm

FOR:	AGAINST:	ABSTENTIONS:
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RESULTS (circle one):

PASSED	FAILED	TABLED	REFERRED TO:	OUT OF ORDER
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