

**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR NUDE RECREATION
EASTERN REGION, INC.
2013 Regional Assembly
August 24, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER:

President James Lane called the 2013 Regional Assembly to order on Saturday August 24th at 10:30 A.M. beginning with the Roll Call of Candidates.

Philip DeLoache: Present
Sherry Stafford-Loibl: Present

INVOCATION:

Steven Stoller led us in the invocation.

FLAG CEREMONY:

The Assembly rendered respect to the American and Canadian Flags and sang the National Anthems for each nation.

WELCOME:

President Lane thanked everyone that came to the annual convention and took the time to sit in on the meetings.

INTRODUCTIONS:

President Lane also introduced Dick Warblow, AANR Florida Member Trustee who is also running for the position of AANR President in 2014, Jim Smock, the AANR Executive Director, Catherine Hendrickson, AANR Executive Director Assistant and Administration Manager. Everyone present introduced themselves stating where they were from, what clubs they were members of and a bit about themselves.

CREDENTIALS REPORT:

Mary Williamson presented the report that consisted of a total of thirteen (13) votes with eight (8) representing a simple majority and ten (10) votes representing a two-thirds (2/3) majority. The total votes represented 9 AANR-East Clubs and 5 direct member delegates. She also gave the delegates voting instructions.

MOTION 1: Moved by Fred Van nest, seconded by Barry Talmage to accept the Rules and revised Order of Business as circulated before the meeting.

PURPOSE: Same

MONETARY IMPACT: Not applicable

Motion PASSED unanimously

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS:

Parliamentarian: Robert (Sandy) MacGregor
Resolutions: Gloria Waryas
Convention Reporter: Sherry Stafford-Loibl
Photographer: Mary Williamson
Tally Committee: Peg Lane (Chair), Mac Fleck, and one other individual

Audit Committee: Robert MacGregor (Chair), Sue Thompson, Bill Van Spanje and one other individual

At this time we had a presentation by the Ad Hoc Committee on Governance of AANR-East with Fred Van Nest, Chair and Barry Talmage, committee member.

MOTION 2: Moved by Robin Cohen, seconded by Peg Lane to accept the minutes of the July 2012 Regional Assembly as published and posted on the AANR-East Web Site.

PURPOSE: Same

MONETARY IMPACT: Not applicable

Motion PASSED unanimously

MOTION 3: Moved by Fred Van Nest, seconded by the Avalon Delegate to ratify the actions of the Board of Directors since the 2012 Regional Assembly.

PURPOSE: Same

MONETARY IMPACT: Not applicable

Motion PASSED 15 for, 1 abstention

ALL WRITTEN REPORTS ARE POSTED ON THE AANR-EAST WEB SITE.

OFFICERS REPORTS:

President Jim Lane stood on his written report.

Vice President Robert MacGregor had no report.

Secretary/Treasurer Mary Williamson stood on her written report adding that the current financials were available to any member via email, secretarytreasurer@aanr-easr.com. If anyone had any questions, they could contact her via e-mail or calling the office.

TRUSTEE REPORT:

Member Trustee Fred Van Nest stood on his written report. Fred also reported that during the AANR Convention, there was a discussion regarding a name change from the American Association for Nude Recreation to the American Association for Nudist Rights. With this change the acronym would remain the same while it reflected what our organization is now. This is currently under investigation by the Executive Director and his staff. There was also discussions of an organizational plan to separate Policy from operations.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

AWARDS

Robert "Sandy" MacGregor, chair of the *Awards* team stood on his written report and also stated that there were a very few nominations submitted this year; they are as follows:

- One for Woman of the Year
- One for Man of the Year
- One for Member of the Year
- One for Public Relations
- One for Club Newsletter

Robin Cohen, chair of the *GEM* Award team, has a written report and she also gave a brief

history of the award.

At this time, Secretary Williamson went through the voting procedure for the honorary awards and read the nominations for Woman, Man and Member of the Year. For Woman of the Year, Gloria Waryas submitted by Tom Brown. The nominee for Man of the Year, Rick Foster, was submitted by Gloria Waryas and for Member of the Year, Jim Lane, also submitted by Gloria Waryas. *[Copies of the complete nomination forms can be obtained by contacting the AANR-East Office or on the AANR-East Web Site.]*

After each category was read, there was a roll call for the delegates and paper ballots were passed out. The winners would be announced during the Awards presentations

CAPITOL ASSETS reported by Secretary Mary Williamson, stated that the only addition was our new recording device.

CLUB REPRESENTATION

Roving Ambassadors, Mary Williamson and Mac Fleck. Mac sated that we would stand on our written report with one exception that the report stated that we have visited 4 clubs which now has changed to 10 with more to follow after the convention.

President Jim Lane asked if there are any plans on visiting clubs in Canada to which Mac replied that we are trying to make contact with some and hopefully visit this year. Jim stated that he wanted the roving ambassadors to include them as they have been ignored.

Robin Cohen, chair of the *Darkness to Light* program explained the program and hoped that more clubs would request training.

COMMUNICATIONS/WEB SITE

Communications

Speaking Naturally E-newsletter editor Melissa Lapier has a written report.

Club Quarterly Newsletter editor Gloria Waryas stood on her written report.

For *Social Networking*, Gloria Waryas stood on her written report.

For *Feedback, Official Visits* Mary Williamson described the program as a tool for the president to gauge on how any official visit was done. Jim Lane reported that so far all of the feedback has been positive.

Forums and Blogs team leader Gloria Waryas stood on her written report.

AANR-East Web Site

For *Web site Management*, Gloria Waryas and *Webmaster* Steven Stoller, a 10 minute break was requested to set up and present the new web site.

Convention and Facilities

Team leader Karl Holzl stated that there are 3 clubs bidding for the 2014 convention, Avalon in West Virginia, White Tail Resort in Virginia and Empire Haven in New York. President Lane

stated that presentations will be made during the Inboard meeting as well as the voting for the host club selection for the 2014 Annual Summer Convention.

Education Grant Committee

Mary Williamson spoke for the committee stating there were no applicants this year for the AANR-East Grant.

Finance

The team Chair, Robert (Sandy) MacGregor stated that the financial information is on the yellow sheets available on the table and he went through some of the figures for the benefit of the Assembly.

Government and Legal Affairs

Team Chair Tom Brown stood on his written report.

Internal Administration

Jim Lane reported that the Board had met in Executive Session regarding 3 AANR-East members.

Legislation

Chair Mary Williamson had a written report and that there will be 3 motions introduced under New Business.

Marketing

For the *Marketing Consultant Program*, Barry Murphy stood on his written report.

Membership

Young Nudist Leaders Enhancement Program Liaison Mac Fleck stood on his written report with a few additions. The AANR Education Foundation had granted us the funds to bring our Nude U staff to the summit that is taking place at Cypress Cove September 27-29.

Merchandise

Mary Williamson reported that she liked to present new merchandise during the convention and this year was not an exception. She also reported that she is following AANR's lead in that we no longer will be carrying inventory but that she had found someone that will handle our orders on a piece meal basis, *Up In Stitches*. Two of the new items that can be ordered through our web site were presented: a unisex bathrobe and zip up hoodie.

Nominations

Committee chair Fred Van Nest stated that we only had a 14.68% return on the ballot which was expected since there were only 2 candidates for 4 positions on the Board. This would leave 2 vacant seats on the Board.

President Lane announced that the 2 candidates that will be seated are Sherry Stafford-Loibl and Philip DeLoache.

Public Relations

Co-Chairs Gloria Waryas and Mac Fleck stood on their written report.

Strategic and Long Range Planning

Committee team leader Gloria Waryas, stood on her written report.

Youth Camps

Mary Williamson stated that she stood on her written report with a few additions since the report was written prior to camp starting. The theme this year was Mardi Gras with a parade prior to the show and we had new staff joining us this year, one of them being Gloria Waryas. Gloria will be writing an article for the *Bulletin* talking about her experiences going "back" to camp after many years. Having to replace the 6 tents that were destroyed last year, the Foundation was again generous in covering our expenses for them.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Audit Committee

Chaired Sandy MacGregor reported that they had met and the committee had found everything to be in order.

MOTION 4: Moved by Barry Talmage and seconded by Peg Lane to accept the report of the Audit (Financial Review) Committee.

PURPOSE: Same

MONETARY IMPACT: None

Motion PASSED unanimously

Tally Committee

Chair Peg Lane reported on the findings of the committee.

MOTION 5: Moved by Robin Cohen, seconded by Peg Lane to accept the report of the Tally Committee. (*A copy of the report can be obtained by request to the AANR-East Office*)

PURPOSE: Same

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

Motion PASSED unanimously

President Lane announced the election results and that the motion passed with 958 votes. Only 725 was needed for a two-thirds vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION 6: Moved by the Legislation Committee to allow the Delegates to the 2013 AANR-East Regional Assembly to elect new Board of Director member(s) as needed to ensure that there is a quorum to convene the Inboard Meeting.

PURPOSE: To ensure that the AANR-East Board as the needed amount of voting members to convene the Inboard meeting. Bylaw ARTICLE IV A. 1. clearly states that the affairs of the AANR-East are conducted by the Board of Directors except when the AANR-East Regional Assembly is in session.

FISCAL IMPACT: None

Motion PASSED unanimously

Nominations Chair Fred Van Nest opened the nominations for director candidates with 2 being brought forward - Barry Talmage and Peg Lane.

MOTION 7: Moved by Mac Fleck, seconded by Robert MacGregor to elect 2 directors at this point.

PURPOSE: Maintain sufficient Board of Directors
FISCAL IMPACT: None

After a lengthy discussion a verbal motion was made to call the question by Gloria Waryas and seconded. The verbal motion needed a two-thirds vote.
Verbal motion PASSED

Motion #7 was read again by the President with the following result.
Motion PASSED 11 for, 2 against - Fred Van Nest and Robin Cohen, 1 abstention, delegate from Avalon

MOTION 8: Moved by Barry Murphy, seconded by Robin Cohen that the Secretary/Treasurer cast a single vote by acclamation to elect the 2 director candidates, Peg Lane and Barry Talmage.

PURPOSE: Same
MONETARY IMPACT: Not applicable
Motion PASSED unanimously

MOTION 9: Moved by Rick Foster, seconded by Mac Fleck on behalf of the Credentials Committee that the **revised** roll of Delegates hereby submitted be the official roll of the voting members of the Regional Assembly.

PURPOSE: Same
MONETARY IMPACT: Not applicable
Motion PASSED unanimously

The delegate from Travelites had to leave resulting in the total eligible votes to thirteen (13), simple majority to seven (7) and a two-thirds majority to nine (9).

Nominations Chair Fred Van Next stated that Gloria Waryas had been nominated for the office of President. The requirements were previously stated so nominations were opened to the floor. Repeating the request for president nominations 3 times, none came forward and the nominations were closed.

MOTION 10: Moved by Barry Talmage, seconded by Fred Van Nest to close the nominations for the office of President.

PURPOSE; Close Nominations
MONETARY IMPACT: None

Motion PASSED unanimously

Rick Foster spoke on Gloria's behalf of her nomination as AANR-East President.

MOTION 11: Moved by the Avalon delegate, seconded by Mac Fleck that the Secretary/Treasurer cast a single vote by acclamation to elect the unopposed candidate for President, Gloria Waryas.

PURPOSE: Same

FISCAL IMPACT: None

Motion PASSED unanimously

Secretary Williamson cast her vote for Gloria Waryas to act as the AANR-East President for the term of 2013-2015.

Nominations Chair Fred Van Nest stated that Tom Brown had been nominated for the office of Vice President. Nominations were opened to the floor. Repeating the request for vice president nominations 3 times, none came forward and the nominations were closed.

MOTION 12: Moved by Mac Fleck, seconded by Fred Van Nest to close the nominations for the office of Vice President.

PURPOSE; Same

MONETARY IMPACT: None

Motion PASSED unanimously

Rick Foster spoke on behalf of Tom for his nomination for the office of Vice President.

MOTION 13: Moved by Barry Talmage, seconded by Rick Foster that the Secretary/Treasurer cast a single vote by acclamation to elect the unopposed candidate for Vice President, Tom Brown.

PURPOSE: Same

MONETARY IMPACT: None

Motion PASSED unanimously

Secretary Williamson cast her vote for Tom Brown to act as the AANR-East Vice President for the term of 2013-2015.

MOTION 14: Moved by the Ad Hoc Governance Committee to instruct the Officers and Directors to implement, to the greatest extent possible under the Bylaws, the proposed organizational structure on a provisional trial pending adoption of Bylaw and Procedure Manual amendments to formally adopt it at a later date.

PURPOSE: Improve the governance structure of AANR-East.

FISCAL IMPACT: Unknown

Motion PASSED 7 for, 6 against

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS:

President Lane had been asked to deliver 2 awards to 2 of our clubs from the national convention, Media award to the ReTreat in Alabama and 1 to MARNA, a non-landed club in Maryland for membership increase.

Jim also presented the Ellie May Falconer Memorial Award to MARNA for the largest number increase of new AANR members in the past year within the AANR-East region and the Bill Falconer Award to the MARNA for the largest percentage increase in new AANR members in the past year within the AANR-East region.

A plaque was presented to Myra Mesher, owner of Sunny Rest for hosting the 2013 AANR-East Annual convention.

Pine Tree Associates also received the 2013 Outstanding Newsletter Award for publishing an outstanding newsletter that positively promotes social family nudism within the AANR-East Region. A plaque will be ordered after the convention.

President Lane presented a certificate for a Non-Nudist Reporter in a Non-Nudist Publication for an article written about Berkshire Vista. A plaque will be ordered and mailed to Berkshire Vista after the convention.

The winners were confirmed for the Man of the Year Award Rick Foster, the Woman of the Year Award, Gloria Waryas and the Member of the Year, Jim Lane. All 3 winners were presented with a certificate until a plaque could be ordered after the convention.

Sandy MacGregor presented the \$5,000 Landed Club Grant to Juniper Woods and the \$1,000 Non-Landed Club Grant to Travelites was presented to their delegate earlier before he had to leave.

Sandy also presented Jim Lane with the gavel plaque for his services as President of AANR-East for the term 2011-2013.

President Lane presented the *Meritorious Service Awards*, consisting of a certificate and a medallion to the following individuals:

Robert MacGregor, in grateful appreciation for his dedicated service, support and commitment to the American Association for Nude Recreation-Eastern Region, Inc. while always willing to assist no matter what is asked of him. He volunteers graciously at youth camp and at every convention and Interim Board Meeting and also took on the responsibility of Vice President. He is a committed volunteer and it would be difficult to replace him.

Mac Fleck, in grateful appreciation for his dedicated service, support and commitment to the American Association for Nude Recreation-Eastern Region, Inc. as he has devoted the last several months to assist in every endeavor with a whole-hearted enthusiasm is to be admired. His determination to advance the involvement of our youth and work with our clubs as a Roving Ambassador is to be admired.

Steven Stoller, in grateful appreciation for his dedicated service, support and commitment to the American Association for Nude Recreation-Eastern Region, Inc. while he has devoted this past year to advancing his knowledge of the new website program while maintaining our old website and keeping everything updated. He continues to be an efficient webmaster and AANR-East is fortunate to have him.

Chet Kresiak, in grateful appreciation for his dedicated service, support and commitment to the American Association for Nude Recreation-Eastern Region, Inc. while continuing to enhance our Face Book page to over 1000 fans and continually promoting our clubs. He also updates our Twitter Account and selflessly gives his time to AANR-East.

Mary Williamson, in grateful appreciation for her dedicated service, support and commitment to the American Association for Nude Recreation-Eastern Region, Inc. while she has devoted her time and energy to AANR-East on a constant basis and always seems to have office hours. She volunteers for various committees, is doing the Roving Ambassador work and still continues to be unfaltering in her secretarial duties.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GOOD OF THE ORDER:

None

INSTALLATION:

Our outgoing President Jim Lane administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected Officers and Directors.

MOTION 15: Moved by Fred Van Nest, seconded by Barry Talmage to adjourn the 2013 Regional Assembly.

PURPOSE: Same

FISCAL IMPACT: None

Motion PASSED unanimously

Mary reminded everyone to turn in their voting card before leaving.

The 2013 AANR-East Regional Assembly was adjourned at approximately 4:30 P.M., Saturday August 24, 2013.

Respectfully submitted by:

Mary Williamson

AANR-East Secretary/Treasurer