Fall 2019 … Board Meeting Minutes
AMERICAN ASS’N FOR NUDE RECREATION — WESTERN REGION, INC.

Shangri La Ranch, New River AZ
2nd November, 2019 — Andy Walden, AANR-West Secretary

1:35 PM AST … CALL TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance – Vice President Jeff Tendick led the assembly.

Introductions – Honored Guests in attendance:

- John Kinman, Past AANR President, Past AANR-West President, various offices – Gave a perspective of the history of the American Sunbathing Association, its regions and the change in 1995 to the American Association for Nude Recreation; the Western Sunbathing Association was the first region to adopt the name AANR-West. He, along with Horst Kraus of Shangri La Ranch, printed AANR-West t-shirts to celebrate the name change!
- Bev Price, AANR Club Trustee, Past AANR President, Past AANR-West President, various offices – Told the assembly that when the region was the Western Sunbathing Association, the motto was, “WSA Leads the Way.” When the name change was ratified, the slogan became, “AANR-West is the Best!”
- Walt Stephens, AANR Trustee, Past AANR-West President
- Patty Faber, AANR Vice President, Past AANR-West President, various offices – Introduced during the officers’ reports.

Host Club’s Welcome – Patty Faber, Owner and Manager of Shangri La Ranch welcomed the Board and meeting attendees to New River, Arizona, and the “unique Arizona weather.” She arrived during the Officers’ Reports session.

Roll Call – Quorum achieved:

- President Gary Mussell SCNA CA present
- Vice President Jeff Tendick Shangri La Ranch AZ present
- Secretary Andrew Walden Hangin’ Loose HI present
- Treasurer Cyndi Faber Shangri La Ranch AZ present
- Directors Ricc Bieber SCNA CA present
- Don Giles Roadrunners NM present
- Rolf Holbach SCNA CA present
- Claudia Kellersch de Ánza Springs CA present
- Barry Nielsen Shangri La Ranch AZ present
- Treena Saavedra Roadrunners NM present
- Ernie Wiese Mountain Air Ranch CO present
- Trustee Walt Stephens associate CA present

Agendum Adoption – The 2nd November 2019 Fall Board Meeting:

- Motion № 1 by Ernie Wiese, seconded by Rolf Holbach – 7 yea / 0 nay PASSED

Minutes Approval – The 28th July 2019 “In” Board Meeting:

- Motion № 2 by Rolf Holbach, seconded by Treena Saavedra – 7 yea / 0 nay PASSED “/ ADDENDUM
  - “… the attached letter be included in the minutes of this meeting. This letter was requested by the Bank of America to support changes on our bank account signature cards.”
    - Secretary’s Note: The hand-written letter to BofA is attached along with the motion.
- Motion № 3 by Ernie Wiese, seconded by Rolf Holbach – 7 yea / 0 nay PASSED
  - Augmented minutes of 28th July now stand.
President – Gary Mussell stands by his report as submitted:

- The group photograph from the MOUNTAIN AIR RANCH convention of the incoming officers and directors was not suitable for the web site. A new one will be taken after adjournment of this meeting.
- Two director’s seats remain open as of the “in” board meeting. One potential nominee, Rolando Mantilla, still has three weeks before qualified for whom the Board can vote in March. Another nominee is present at the Fall Meeting:
  
  - **Motion № 4** by Don Giles, seconded by Rolf Holbach – 7 yea / 0 nay **PASSED**
    - “… that Mr. Curtis Flynn [GLEN EDEN SUN CLUB] be appointed by Gary Mussell, AANR-West President, to the vacant AANR-West Board of Director position and that he will serve in that capacity until the next AANR-West Regional Meeting [sic] to be held in July 2020. Mr. Flynn can then choose to be a candidate for the remainder of a two-year term on the Board of Directors.”
    - **Secretary’s Note:** The red text was added verbum. “[H]e will serve ... until the next AANR-West Regional Assembly to be held in July 2020.” The motion references AANR-West Procedures Manual, Section VIII. The accompanying text is actually from AANR-West By-Laws, Article VIII. The reference to Article V, Section B, Paragraph 2 is also from the AANR-West By-Laws.
    - Mr. Flynn presented his personal bio to the assembly. He is a 20-year member of AANR; born in Los Angeles, raised in Escondido; served two tours in Viêt Nam with the US Navy; has lived in British Columbia for 33 years; and he and his wife maintain a place at KANIKSI RANCH near Spokane; are members at SHANGRI LA RANCH as well as GLEN EDEN SUN CLUB.

- With passage of the motion, Curtis Flynn took a seat at the Board of Directors table.

Vice President – Jeff Tendick stands by his report as submitted:

- Work continues on the new “Welcome” gift bags for new members.
- Items will be festooned with the simplified AANR “sunburst” logo and the website address below. The logo will be in black, blue or white, depending on the background. The word NUDE will not appear on the items due to its misunderstood connotation.
  - **Secretary’s Note:** John Kinman later advises the AANR logo should always be presented in white-on-blue only, as illustrated to the right
- A new “nudist Calvin” logoed t-shirt will display the character with his back to the viewer and the words, “Have Fun — Be Naked!” There are no copyright or trademark infringements with its use.

Secretary – Andy Walden stands by his report as submitted:

- When the meeting packet was cobbled, no one’s words were edited; each report was reformatted to be consistent in font, margins and presentation. Next time, page numbers!
  - **President’s Note:** Everyone submitting reports for the Meeting Packet is responsible for their own editing, spelling and grammar checking. Let’s present our region in its best light.
- A typo on the “Non-Director Committee Chairs and Members” table of the President’s Report needed correcting. Linda Weber’s e-mail address is skydivelindag@aol.com — no “r.”

Treasurer – Cyndi Faber stands by her report as submitted:

- A thank-you to everyone for submitting their budget requests and for reaching out for answers and assistance.
- The 2020 Budget will not be a balanced one. There are funds to cover the deficit, however, we will talk further regarding an allocation increase so that we can be in a better financial position.
- There are several great ideas and initiatives presented for the Budget. However, there are a lot of requests earmarked for printing; we can get better pricings and discounts by consolidating orders using an AANR-West account with an on-line service.
- We need to be prudent with travel expenses for trade shows, festivals and other “non-meeting” travel. Let’s look for members or clubs who are close to the venues willing to donate time and service for our cause.
- Flight-versus-drive comparisons are required where applicable and be dated six-to-eight weeks before the meeting.
- Trade show registration fees are to be submitted to the Treasurer who will contact and pay the company directly. The region needs to streamline the reimbursements and make the accounting ledgers better prepared.
Trustee – Walt Stephens stands by his report as submitted.

- Several pieces of legislation were discussed at the SUN MEADOW RESORT convention, most of which pertains to the upcoming switch to the Inpexium™ system, including the “one member, one fee” and elimination of “couple’s memberships” as well as raising dues.
- The target activation date in January 2020 for the new system may not be achieved. The complexity with the number of membership tiers and how the clubs collect dues or yet their members. Also, information has been entered into the database by several people over the years with different styles which is a nightmare to transfer to the new system.
- AANR wants to move away from the printed version of THE BULLETIN in favor of an electronic version. The hard copy is still available upon request at no extra cost to members but a reduction of copies printed will save monies.
  - Club Trustee Bev Price’s Note: The e-BULLETIN is now presented as a flip-page style which looks like a regular magazine on the screen. This allows for double-page spreads. It can be also saved by “printing” it as a .PDF file. Members on the electronic distribution list will receive the flip-page e-magazine directly; they need not log onto the website. Multiple year renewals are also an option.
- Though rate increases were approved for January, they are on hold until the new system is ready to go live.
  - Director Claudia Kellersch’s Note: There is a glitch for life-time AANR members when clubs incorporate AANR fees with their own annual dues.

2:30 PM … COMMITTEE REPORTS / BUDGET PROPOSALS

5.01.00 Internal Administration – Tim Mullins had nothing to report for this session and was absent from the meeting.

5.02.00 Finance – Rolf Holbach gave a review of 2019 thus far along with a line-by-line summary of the proposed 2020 Budget. Data as of 30th September 2019, albeit incomplete, is entered into Column M of the Budget spreadsheet (see attached). The region has spent $37,980.24 to date (30-Sep). This is $17,419 under projected income; we have no actual income as of yet. It is $70,000 under our projected budget of $108,475 for 2019. AANR-West is well under the projected income and budget. The discretionary expenses are there as a buffer in case of emergency.

- [24] Donations 501(c)(3) – Four entities to which we donate, though last year, only WNRL received $1,500.
- [29] Equipment – Includes a depreciation cost and the [directors and officers] insurance in case of a law suit.
- [35] Office Expenses – A total of $5,450 is allocated for postage, past presidents’ life memberships, as well as travel expenses for the current president and trustee. Our GoToMeeting subscription is an invaluable expense for committee meetings, monthly “talk-story,” &c.
  - Treasurer’s Note: The $800 dollars for the post office box is due February 2020, not 2019 as written. Cloud Back-up will not be $500. Services are found which will provide 150 gigabytes of storage for just $25 per year and another offering 250GB for $50 per annum! Amount changed to $150.
- [45] Professional Services – Annual reviews and tax preparation by a CPA are covered along with stipends, filing fees, taxes and licenses. The Treasurer is assured she can find a more through CPA with lower fees. Stipends are set by the Procedures Manual. Also, be wary of tax and filing scams which are prevalent at this time of year.
  - President’s Note: With AANR approving a $129,000 deficit, AANR-West cannot run with another $49,000 deficit on top of theirs, so a number of proposals were “kicked down the road,” i.e. not hiring an attorney.

5.03.00 Public Relations – With no PR chairman, Rolf Holbach presented the Budget proposals:

- [55] Advertising – Monies are available to publicize the Fall and Summer Festivals, adverts in THE BULLETIN and even for outside publications, though none were spent in the current budget. Social Media has funds to cover fees such as the $25 per annum for the AANR-West MeWe page as well as promotional charges on the various platforms.
- [61] AANR Western Region Web Site – Web hosting, design and six domain names are included, along with the professional web site manager’s fee. The region maintains three aanWest (~org, ~net and ~com) domain names plus three for the WNRL. Fees are $18-20, paid annually. The only monthly fee is for hosting our web site. There is $6,000 earmarked for Web Site Professional Manager services which were discussed in length at the morning’s Committees-as-a-Whole session. It is proposed to leave the amount as our “high point” until a decision is made as to whether the region keeps its current web manager or hires a new one. Underwriting for some co-op advertisement costs in outside media is available to resorts and clubs. The deadline to apply for the funds is 30th November. Since this line item has been underused, it was dropped from $8,000 to $5,000.
A conversation about possible ramifications for opening an on-line store interrupts the Budget discussion. A license is required, a license fee is paid to the state in order to collect applicable sales tax (AANR-West is registered in California), and then the Treasurer pays the collected tax at year’s end. This would mean the CPA fee will go back up with the additional filings required. Sales from a store may affect our non-profit status.

- **President’s Note**: Designing a whole new section for the web site costs $300. Many hosting services will not take us because of nude content so we went with the same host used by AANR.
- **Vice President’s Note**: With the proposal presented by Tom Stark, fees will reduce this line item by $4,756 and hosting [62] will be reduced from $240 to $84 per month. Design fee would go from $300 per each new section to a one-time $500 charge since it would be considered part of his dedicated hours.
- **Treasurer’s Note**: AANR-West owns the ~.net and ~.com to protect ourselves from other “less reputable” usage. Anyone erroneously going to these two addresses will be rerouted to our main aanWest.org page.

- **Promotions** – The “Nude Comedy LA” has been dropped since AANR is now contributing to them. Friends of Bates Beach support has been reduced to $600. “Fringe Festival” is earmarked for $1,000 but can be eliminated since Bryan Burgess will not be mounting a production for 2020. AANR-West always sponsors one-quarter the cost for outhouse rental for the “World Naked Bike Ride – Los Angeles” which includes a booth where we have our club literature and discount coupons available.
- **Membership in Local Associations** – “SD Earth Fair” requires membership (at $35 /year) to be an exhibitor.
- **Trade Shows** – The “Los Angeles Travel and Adventure Show” is the largest show in which AANR-West participates, with over 60,000 attendees passing by the booth. We have a great location and staffing is mostly volunteers from SCNA and NITO with GLEN EDEN SUN CLUB and OLIVE DELL RANCH members also helping. The “Avocado Festival” is increased to $800; “Colorado Top-Free Day” was dropped but, in discussions, a $500 allocation was added; travel for staffing booths is reduced to $1,200; and Speakers Bureau is also allocated $500.
- **AANR VP’s Note**: In order to sell anything, including memberships, a vendor’s license is required. Since the enquiry information collected at LAT&AS is sent to the clubs who provided help, what about the ones who are too far away? The fees are paid by all of the membership, so the information should go to all of the clubs. Also, the 2019 Budget is for $3,400, actual spent is $3,270; so why is the 2020 Budget earmarked for $4,000?
- **President’s Note**: The next year’s space for LAT&AS is paid by credit card on the second day of this year’s show. The allocation is increased to compensate for any price increase which may be incurred. Earth Fair attendees are “our people” so it seems silly not to participate in more of them, if they welcome nudists. AANR has decided to be a part of “CoTFD” and the whole top-freedom movement.
- **Treasurer’s Note**: The region spent $731.47 for “San Diego Earth Day Fair” because of an exorbitant amount of travel and unnecessary printing expenses as well as shipping costs, the booth, a new backdrop and a fee to the organizers themselves. The 2020 Budget will allocate just $500 for the fair. Replacing paper information cards with one-app i-Pads or tablets is being considered.
- **Director Don Giles’ Note**: The Speakers Bureau is a new line item for covering any unexpected costs.
- **Director Ernie Wiese’s Note**: “CoTFD” organizers want AANR-West to participate. Since AANR is investing in the top-freedom movement, let them pay for the booth and AANR-West can stock it!

3:30 – 3:50 pm … BREAK

**Membership Marketing** – Ricc Bieber reports there is nothing or very little in the inventory of tchotchke.

- **Membership Marketing** – The “raffle prizes” line is where we can budget for new member’s gifts.
  - **Vice President’s Note**: Replace the words “raffle prizes” with “gifts” and order the following items: 150 duffle bags, 150 t-shirts and 300 canvas bags. Input $2,500 as the estimated cost for the Budget.
  - **Secretary’s Note**: We are looking to upgrade the AANR-West booth with a $500 allowance and $400 is set aside for new brochures, including Spanish language collateral.
  - **Director Claudia Kellersch’s Note**: Lots of promotional nudism material has been collected from around México and informational rack cards should be ready by March. A separate Spanish web page will also be in the works.
- [97] Spiffs – The region needs to replenish everything before next year’s “show season” begins. All the trade show giveaways have been very successful, especially the emery boards. The beachball ($1.10) and the flashlight key fob (90¢) are the most expensive items. Some items may not be reordered; others, like the neck coolers, went to the Sports Committee as prizes. Items for the “spin wheel” need to be updated. The replacement flashlight was cumbersome, so a different style is being sought. Gel pens are also a popular item.
  - **Vice President’s Note:** A light canvas bag with logo was presented which costs $1.10 each.
  - **Treasurer’s Note:** The price of the butt-towels is a couple years old; let’s get new pricing and possibly re-order.
  - **Director Ernie Wiese’s Note:** Another favorite and dirt-cheap item is embossed/debossed wristbands with the website address and maybe the year to make it a “collector’s item.”

- [106] Passports – The program is a qualified success and popular. It has maps, pictures, information, telephone numbers, places for stamps; and tear-out pages that will be sent to the AANR-West post office box for prizes. We need prizes! Please donate club gift cards, tchotchkes, meal tickets, anything of intrinsic value. The budgeted amount of $1,000 will cover the next reprinting. The purpose of the passports is to motivate members, especially our associates, to experience the different resorts and even visit our non-landed clubs.
  - **President’s Note:** The best prize thus far is from outside our region; a certificate from the Willamettans for two adults and children to a three-day, two-night free visit, including free tent or RV site. An AANR-wide passport is possible if done electronically with a QR code. The newsletter has no cost and the Tockify calendar tool wasn’t bought to save the cash. MailChimp is used for e-mailing to our associates but it will be unnecessary next year since our newsletter distribution can be achieved via the Inpextum platform.
  - **Trustee’s Note:** Let’s look at a door or window decal, “Ask about our Passport Program,” or, “This club sponsored by AANR,” to get our name, our branding, out there.

- [110] Women in Nude Recreation – Claudia Kellersch says there are a number of Women’s Expo, including Phoenix and Denver. Travel covers costs such as “spa nights.” Also, $500 is set for printing new brochures and information cards. Finally, $200 is set for “Korean Spa” events where a raffle at the end of the evening is held.
  - **President’s Note:** The WINR banner allotment was set to zero since we have new banners bought in 2019. However, in discussion, it was decided to allot $100 for a beach banner.

#### 5.05.00 Legislation – Don Giles chairs this committee; no discussion.

#### 5.06.00 Conventions and Facilities – Committee Chairman Jeff Tendick was joined by Treena Saavedra and Barry Nielsen in welcoming Curt Flynn to the team.

- [124] Spring Board Meeting – The Board has an offer from DE ANZA SPRINGS for the Spring Board Meeting …

**POINT OF ORDER by AANR VP Patty Faber:** Asking why the discussion is jumping from “Budget” to “New Business.” This is not the time to be voting on meeting or festival locations. The President explained that the Budget is being discussed as the Board goes through the committee reports. The Treasurer added that there is a good chance the Spring meeting will be in California which, according to record, usually costs about $5,000.

- [128] Summer Festival – Total earmarked is $840. Location remains undetermined at this point.
  - **Treasurer’s Note:** Not everyone is required to attend, only the Sports Committee chairman.

#### 2019 Spiff Distribution

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President’s Note: The region pays the clubs to host the Summer and Fall festivals along with the annual Convention but not to host the Board Meeting; we bond them as well.

- [134] AANR-West Annual Convention – The 2020 gathering will be 23-26 July at SHANGRI LA RANCH.
- Treasurer’s Note: A new source for officers, directors and trustees’ name badges was found. They are made with a 3-D printer and are approximately $10 each. The $1,000 allocation from 2019 is not needed, so it was excluded from the 2020 Budget. The bond is an insurance to the region from the host to assure the function goes as planned or to cover costs of short-term relocations.
- AANR VP Patty Faber’s Note: New air conditioning units will be installed by Convention time!

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[144] Fall Festival – A total of $760 is budgeted; no discussion made.

[150] Fall Board Meeting – The travel allocation is now $5,000 to match the Spring Board Meeting.

5.07.00 Sports – Trena Saavedra, Claudia Kellersch and Barry Nielsen are the committee representatives. Prizes and awards are now $2,500 — this covers the four items listed — with another $100 for the “Nude Summer Games” at OLIVE DELL RANCH. There is still about $400 from the 2019 Budget which will go for hats and other giveaways.

- President’s Note: Let’s put together the multi-club leagues with prizes. Also, work on pulling the sports information from the Procedures Manual and into a separate book to be consistent with the other regions. The “Nude Summer Games,” sponsored by SCNA, involves about five clubs.

5.08.00 Club Representative – Very little of the allocated $2,100 for club liaisons was expensed this year, so the remaining amount of about $1,500 will roll into the new budget. We may use this fund once Inpexium is in operation.

5.09.00 AANR-West Youth – Claudia Kellersch proposes to use about $100 of the budgeted $1,700 to print a brochure and/or rack card for next year’s youth camp.

- Treasurer’s Note: A more generic family brochure or card which includes the camp is preferred instead of a separate stock in order to save money and avoid the “one and done” waste. The actual event should be promoted on a flyer sent to the clubs and tacked onto a bulletin board. An additional $100 for a rack card was added to the AANR-West Youth budget, bringing the allotment to $2,300.

5.10.00 Scholarship Program Committee – Ernie Wiese has an optimistic plan! It has taken the committee some time to figure out what is needed but it should be ready for presentation within two weeks. A rack card is in the works with the help of a graphics designer. There will be a QR code in it which will take people straight to the scholarship application.

- Treasurer’s Note: Instead of mailing stock to individual clubs, let’s use our liaisons and give them a reason to visit their charges.

5.11.00 Government Affairs – There is talk from AANR about putting a “What AANR Does for You” brochure together, so this region will defer. We are invoiced for the “Nudist and I Vote” pins. Last year, 317 buttons were given away and 2020 is going to be an enormous election year, so it was decided to double the button budget to $500.

- Brochures – No additional stock is needed.

5.12.00 Legal – Originally set at zero, there is now $1,500 in the Budget for “legal incidentals.”

5.13.00 Credentials – Everything is now sent via e-mail, so no monies are necessary.

5.14.00 AANR-West Facilities Improvement Loan – No one has applied for this in years!

TOTAL ADJUSTED 2020 DRAFT BUDGET = $91,970 … based on projected income with a shortfall of $36,770.

- President’s Note: A decision for March ought to be about raising our allocation from AANR since they are raising their dues. AANR-West is at the low end, receiving $8 per member compared to $10-12 for the other regions. The Budget Committee conducted a comparison: a $2 raise will cut our budget shortfall by about half and a $4 increase will bring the deficit almost to nil. This, along with new sources of revenue, can bring the region back into the black financially.

- AANR VP Patty Faber’s Note: How is AANR-West going to raise its allocation from AANR without raising its dues? Currently, an AANR single associate is $38 — thirty goes to AANR, eight to the region. Thirty dollars is
the AANR price! If the region wants to get $12 from a member, the cost now is $42 because AANR still gets its $30 with the remaining twelve going to AANR-West. The associates are at the highest rate of the regional dues plus the AANR dues. This region’s dues are $8 per person, that is what this region will get from AANR whether they receive directly from the clubs at $8 or from the associate at $13; AANR-West gets eight dollars; AANR keeps the difference! The region will not get a larger allocation unless the regional dues are raised. As of January, it will be $36 per person — single or couple — plus regional dues.

**POINT OF ORDER by the Treasurer:** Since this discussion and explanation will not affect this year’s budget, a call for a motion is made to accept the Budget as presented so that the Board may move forward. This is in accordance to the agenda as No 10 Budget Review and Adjustment, with the motion to approve immediately following.

- **Motion No 6** [ex serie] by Don Giles, seconded by Claudia Kellersch – 8 yea / 0 nay **PASSED**
  - “… that the Budget for the Year 2020 be approved as presented.”

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**5:05 PM … NEW BUSINESS**

**President:**

- The following can be deferred into the various committees:
  - New sources of income besides memberships, i.e. a store with books, pāreu, bags, hats, &c. There are books which have been donated to the region just sitting in a garage.
  - Two clubs have videos loaded on the regional website; let’s have all clubs on there! Some clubs have uploaded to YouTube, which is fine, but they cannot be hyperlinked from the region’s website due to their use permit. Club liaisons can discuss with their clubs about adding a video to the library and the region may share expenses.
  - A pet project has been for AANR-West to sponsor a Movie Festival. AANR-Southwest recently held theirs at STAR RANCH where outside filmmakers paid to show their nudist-friendly movies.
  - The creation of an official AANR-West Sports Rules Book for festivals and inter-club play will allow the sports committee to change rules without going through the process of changing the Procedures Manual.
  - Some of the by-laws and procedures which are old, archaic and can be simplified, especially committee structure. Ad hoc committees which have existed for a few years need to be eliminated or made permanent.
  - The new Inpexium™ software system was expected by end of the year to handle all AANR membership renewals. We will discuss this at our regional meeting in March as well as at Convention at the end of July.

**AANR VP Patty Faber:**

As for new business, Larry Gould is introduced as a viable candidate to fill the vacant Director’s seat on the AANR-West Board. Dr. Gould was a trustee and is the statutory agent for CANYON STATE NATURISTS; he is a retired college professor, was the Dean of Students, Vice President and Campus Executive Officer for the Yuma Branch of Northern Arizona University; an Associate Dean, Acting Dean and a member of the Arizona Board of Regents. He is also a former police officer and “still is” a US Marine.

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A conversation between AANR VP Patty Faber and AANR-West President Gary Mussell begins with Larry Gould’s consideration for the open seat. The President states that, considering the pecking order, he would like to discuss this after the meeting because it is premature, having just been introduced to the candidate. The AANR VP said that AANR-West has a nine-member Board with only eight members on it. The President says he has Rolando Mantilla, whom he plans to appoint in three weeks, who is 30 years old and will fill a youth spot on the Board. The AANR VP’s statement is that this is a nine-member Board that is short one member right now.

Someone says, “That’s fine,” to which Treasurer Cyndi Faber reacted, “No, it’s not ‘fine!’” The Board was tasked in July with finding people who are qualified and able to fill the position and the Board agreed to defer it to the Fall meeting. There is a person at the meeting who qualifies (not in three weeks) and who is willing to participate immediately. Vice President Jeff Tendick added that the President’s candidate has the opportunity to stand for the next open seat or one of four which will be open come July.

The President is against “pulling people out of the pool” for Board vacancies. His statement that he is not familiar with Dr. Gould was countered by the Treasurer not knowing Mr. Mantilla. It is then suggested that the matter be tabled to which the AANR VP advised this is not an option.
**POINT OF ORDER by AANR VP Patty Faber:** The region has a nine-member Board which is short a member and it is the President’s responsibility to fill the seat in a timely manner. Timely is now.

*The conversation continues with the President saying he is being timely but will not be rushed into a decision. In contrast, he has had extensive telephone conversations with Mr. Flynn over some four-to-six weeks before deciding on his appointment. The AANR VP refers to conventions when voting on new Board members; how well are they known?*

*The Treasurer interjected, saying the conversation is futile, so it is best to table this decision.*

**Vice President:**

- Results of voting on locations for 2020 gatherings:
  - Spring Board Meeting (14th March) with three bids:
    - DE ANZA SPRINGS – 8
    - LAGUNA DEL SOL – 0
    - MIRA VISTA RESORT – 0
  - **AANR VP Patty Faber’s Note:** Officers are not entitled to voice opinions regarding the selection of meeting or festival/convention locations.
  - Summer Festival (5-7 June) with two bids:
    - DE ANZA SPRINGS – 1
    - GLEN EDEN SUN CLUB – 7
  - **Trustee Walt Stephens’ Note:** A reminder that location is important. The meetings are for the Board but festivals and conventions are for the members. Consider which clubs are best suited and provide to represent AANR-West to our membership. We are selling an image!
  - Fall Festival (9-11 October) with one bid:
    - SHANGRI LA RANCH – 8
  - Fall Board Meeting (date TBA) with two bids:
    - LAGUNA DEL SOL – 
    - MIRA VISTA RESORT –
  - A late bid was given by SHANGRI LA RANCH with a side discussion between its owners. With the proposal to table the decision, it was mentioned that GLEN EDEN SUN CLUB may want to also bid.

- **Motion (№ 7) [ex serie, verbórum]** by Rice Bieber, seconded by Curt Flynn – 8 yea / 0 nay **PASSED**
  - “… that the decision on the Fall Board Meeting be postponed until March’s Spring Meeting.”
  - **Secretary’s Note:** It was suggested that a date be set so that AANR can include it on the 2020 calendar. However, the regional Procedure Manual states that the date set by the host club and may be any Saturday in November; therefore, no host, no date!

**5:25 PM … GOOD OF THE ORDER**

**AANR VP Patty Faber:**

- Refreshments are ready in the back of the meeting room.
- The theme for Summer Convention (23-26 July, 2020) is “Good Guys, Bad Guys … Black Hats / White Hats.” Horst Kraus constructed a jail out of scrap material. People can jail others for a price and the bail will be to match or exceed the jailing price! Proceeds will go to a not-for-profit, probably the AANR Education Foundation.

- **Motion № 5** by Treena Saavedra, seconded by Ernie Wiese – 8 yea / 0 nay **PASSED**
  - “… that this meeting of the AANR-West Board of Directors be adjourned.”

**5:30 PM AST … ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully Submitted,

**Andy Walden,** Secretary

AANR Western Region