

AANR-EASTERN REGION, INC.
2026 Interim Board Meeting
January 24, 2026

Due to the incoming inclement weather, the in-person meeting was cancelled, and it was conducted via ZOOM. President Charles Bliss called the 2026 AANR-East Interim Board Meeting to order at approximately 1:00 P.M. on Saturday, January 24th. Secretary Fleck did roll call.

President Charles Bliss - Present
Vice President Robert Roche - Present
Secretary/Treasurer Mary Fleck - Present
Director Leo Blake - Present
Director Shaun Card – Excused
Director Albert Gilewicz – Present
Director Terri Grothe - Present
Director Barbar Potter - Resigned
Regional Trustee Sandra Cordell – Present

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Charlie stated that he will be on the cruise in February so he will not be present at our ZOOM meeting. He knew that Bob could handle the meeting!

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS:

Parliamentarian
Meeting Reporter: Mary Fleck
Meeting Photographer: Mary Fleck

President Bliss announced an Executive Session will occur before the Good of the Order at the end of the meeting.

MOTION 1: Moved by the Legislation Committee to accept the Rules and Order of Business as circulated before the meeting.

PURPOSE: Same
FISCAL IMPACT: None
PASSED: Unanimously

MOTION 2: Moved by the Legislation Committee to seat Bill Norris to fill the vacancy on the AANR-East Board of Directors. Term will expire June 2027.

PURPOSE: Same
FISCAL IMPACT: None
PASSED: Unanimously

MOTION 3: Moved by the Legislation Committee to seat Melody Bage to fill the vacancy on the AANR-East Board of Directors. Term will expire June 2026.

PURPOSE: Same

FISCAL IMPACT: None

PASSED: Unanimously

MOTION 4: Moved by the Legislation Committee to accept the minutes of the June 2025 Outboard and Inboard Meetings as published and posted on the AANR-East website.

PURPOSE: Same

FISCAL IMPACT: None

PASSED: Unanimously

MOTION 5: Moved by the Legislation Committee to appoint Al Gillewicz as the Nominations Chair as per the AANR-East Procedure Manual section 6.00.01 E, a. & b.

PURPOSE: To appoint a Nominations Chair as per our ruling documents.

FISCAL IMPACT: None

PASSED: Unanimous

Al was reminded that he had 60 days to form a committee and present it to the Board for a vote. Sandra Cordel volunteered to be on the committee.

ALL WRITTEN REPORTS ARE POSTED ON THE AANR-EAST WEBSITE

OFFICERS' REPORTS

President Bliss stood on his written report but also stated that he will be going on the cruise in February.

Vice President Roche stood on his written report.

Secretary/Treasurer Fleck stood on her written report.

Regional Trustee Cordell had a written report.

KRA TEAM REPORTS

KRA Team Coordinator Bob Roche asked the other KR team leaders to update us.

GOVERNANCE team leader, Al Gilewicz, stood on the written reports submitted.

Meetings/Facilities Mary stated that we will meet in-person at the Summer Meeting that will be held at White Tail Resort in Ivor, VA June 15-18 with travel days being June 14th and 19th. Our 2027 Interim Meeting will also be at White Tail Resort in Ivor, VA since we did not receive any

hosting submissions. January 22-24 with travel days being the 21st and 24th. ZOOM will also be available at both meetings as usual, for those that cannot attend.

Nominations - No report submitted but we have 3 seats coming up for election.

Government & Legal Affairs – Bob Roche stood on his written report.

Legislation - Mary Fleck announced that the Bylaw changes that were submitted for discussion will be finalized and emailed to the Board for their approval to include in the 2026 Ballot. It will be on the agenda for the February mandatory board ZOOM meeting.

Mary also stated that she will be looking at the AANR-East Procedure Manual for revisions. Hopefully she will have something for the Board to look at during the Summer Meetings.

Club Liaisons – Leo Blake is waiting to see who the new board members will be and he will revamp the liaison list.

ADVOCACY AND ALLIANCES team leader Al Gilewicz had no written report.

MOTION 6: Moved by Robert Roche and seconded by Shaun Card to approve a voucher that was submitted for the cost of coloring books, mailers and mailing even though receipts for the mailers and coloring books were not received as per our ruling documents.

PURPOSE: Same

FISCAL IMPACT: \$200

PASSED: Unanimously

BRAND team leaders stood on their written report.

Membership/Marketing/Public Relations

This was combined in an Ad Hoc committee which had a written report.

WINR team leader Liz Tharrington has resigned, and Terri Grothe has volunteered to take on this task.

FINANCE team leader Sandra Cordell had a written report, but the budget will be discussed later.

MOTION 7: Moved by the Budgetary Committee to accept the proposed 2026 budget as presented by the Budgetary Committee.

PURPOSE: To have an operating budget for the 2026 fiscal year.

FISCAL IMPACT: (if any): As stated in proposed operating budget.

PASSED: Unanimously

LINKAGE team leader Mary Fleck stood on her written report.

Website: Terri Grothe has taken over responsibility for our website. She is working with Lewis if she has any problems.

Social Media See Ad Hoc committee report

Awards: No submissions to date. A deadline list was provided to our president so the various deadlines can be included in the AANR-East newsletter.

Judy had a written report regarding **Youth Camp**.

Roving Ambassador – Our current Roving Ambassador has resigned so we are looking for Volunteer(s).

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Good of the order

None

MOTION 8: Moved by the Legislation Committee that the AANR-East Board go into Executive Session for the purposes authorized by AANR Bylaw IX. C. 7.

PURPOSE: Same.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

PASSED: Unanimously

MOTION 9: Moved by Robert Roche and Seconded by Terri Grothe that the Executive Session was held and the following will occur:

In instances where complaints have been received regarding the practices of certain AANR-East clubs, the Board will continue to monitor these clubs carefully to ensure their operating procedures conform to expectations and ethical standards.

PURPOSE: Same.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

PASSED: Unanimously

MOTION 10: Moved by Robert Roche, seconded by Al Gilewicz to adjourn the 2026 Interim Board Meeting.

PURPOSE: Same.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

PASSED: Unanimously

The AANR-East Interim Board Meeting was adjourned at 2:28 P.M., January 24, 2026.

Submitted by:

Mary Fleck

AANR-East Secretary/Treasurer