

District 9 Guidelines rev 2026

District Meetings of the GSRs will be held on the First Sunday of the month unless holiday weekends or Area meetings interfere. The meeting will then assemble on the Third Sunday of the month, at the advertised place at 6:00 PM.

General business will be conducted by the District members, discussions led by the DCM or Alternate, or chairperson selected by the DCM. The agenda will be set by the DCM or Alternate. Voting on General District Housekeeping, like date, time, location, meeting length will be discussed and voted upon by all District Members.

Budget and money matters will be referred to GSRs to take to their Home Groups for discussion and consensus by vote. Their Home Group's conscience will be brought back to the District and only a simple majority of the GSRs present will be needed to pass such. District Officers and other members of AA present, are welcome to discuss and voice their opinions regarding budget at the District Meetings.

In case of a tie vote of the GSRs, refer to The AA Service manual S22, **Third Legacy:**

Two-Thirds Majority: A candidate must secure a 2/3 majority vote to win outright on early ballots.

Automatic Withdrawals: Candidates with low vote counts are systematically removed after successive rounds to narrow the field.

Drawing from the Hat: (Tie Breaker) If no candidate gains a 2/3 majority after five ballots, the remaining top two candidates are placed into a hat, and the winner is chosen entirely by lot.

Finances Committee:

A finance committee (consisting of the elected District Officers and committee chairs) will meet in September to prepare a budget to be presented to the GSRs in October to take to their home groups.

Changes or additions may be presented at the November District meeting and suggestions returned to the Home Groups. The budget for the following year will be finalized at the December meeting.

Budget finalization will be at the December GSR Meeting and voted upon for the.

Finances:

1. The District General account shall be capped at \$3,000.00 including a \$600.00 Prudent Reserve. Any monies acquired over this amount will be distributed to World Services, Area 92 and Son Bridge.
 2. The Activity Fund Shall not exceed \$1400.00, excess to be distributed to the General Fund.
- All 7th Tradition Monies received by District 9 will go to the General Fund.

1A. District 9 Automatic Expenditures not needing approval:

1. Answering Service: Pro-Tel: Monthly
2. Postal Service: Box 224: Yearly
3. GSR Room Rent (Yearly-\$10.00 per month)

1B. District 9 Automatic Expenditures not needing approval, but subject to the availability of funds.

DCM Expenses: Area Quarterlies and Conferences

- A. Gas
- B. Meals and registration
- C. Room (If required) \$350.00/Quarterly; \$550/Conference (Maximum per event negotiable.)

As Quarterlies and Conferences are networked, it is suggested that GSRs and DCMs use this service.

District Officers:

District Officers consist of a DCM, Treasurer, Secretary, and Alternates of each. Elections are held in October of odd numbered years and the new officers start on January 1 of even years. 2. Terms for all officers consist of two years.

Additional Officers (Chairpersons of Committees) of the District shall include:

Activities	Archives	Answering Service
Corrections	CPC/PI Literature & Grapevine	
Pink Can	Treatment	Webmaster & Schedule

2. District Officers Office Expenses-

- A. General office supplies: The DCM, Treasurer and Secretary:
Ink, stamps, envelopes, paper and/or copies as needed.

3. GSR Meeting Supplies-Coffee, cups, cream, sugar, etc.

4. Schedules

1. One ream (500) per quarter.
2. Schedules Chair should check with the District Officers and GSRs for any changes before ordering a run.

5. Chairpersons or other Authorized Persons Expenses to attend workshops out of District proximity, if finances are available:

1. Same as DCM (Car-pooling would be preferred)
 2. One per year allowed (Maximum \$250.00)
 3. Attendance at the Standing Committee Quarterlies is encouraged.
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2. **Activities:** All expenditures are subject to the availability of funds above the Prudent Reserve and approval of the GSRs.

A. Recognized annual activities and banquets/parties funded by District 9

1. The Annual November Gratitude banquet (Usually the Second week-end)
2. New Years Eve Party
3. 4th of July (A Celebration of Freedom from Alcohol)
4. One Day Workshop, (could include a Potluck and Dance)

B. Activities Committee:

1. Help with planning and implementing annual events.
2. May plan and implement any other event that they deem worthwhile with at least 60 day notice to the GSRs and receipt of their approval. Any funds required or expended must be approved by the GSRs' majority vote.
3. Assist the DCM with the presentation of workshops (One or two per year).

C. Other Activities:

1. Any home group may sponsor an event throughout the year without needing District approval
 2. If District 9 funds are required, a 60-day notification to the GSRs will be required and GSR approval received. The Home Group's GSR may submit the request to the District.
 3. If seed money is needed to implement an event, it may be requested by the Home Group's GSR in a timely manner. Seed money will be returned to the district after the event.
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Agenda for District 9 GSR meetings

Open meetings with the Serenity Prayer

Roll call of Officers

Officers Reports:

Secretary: Minutes

Treasurer: Finance Report

DCM report:

GSR reports:

Committee Chair reports:

Activities

Answering Service

Archives

Corrections

Literature & Grapevine

Pink Can

Public Information/Cooperation with Professional Community

Treatment

Schedules

Webpage

Old Business

New Business

Good of the Order and Announcements

Close Meeting with prayer or the Responsibility Statement