

District 61 Guidelines

District 61 is an association of Alcoholics Anonymous members that unites to carry the message to those still suffering and to promote fellowship among existing groups. Each group shall be registered with the General Service office of Alcoholics Anonymous. Our purpose is to pass on the AA legacies of Recovery, Unity, and Service in a manner consistent with the Twelve Traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous.

District 61 is dedicated to:

- a) Providing an answering service for receiving, distributing, and following up on twelve step calls; and for answering inquiries about AA.
- b) Providing a Public Information/Cooperation with the professional community committee.
- c) Providing a Correctional facilities committee.
- d) Providing Treatment facilities committee.
- e) Providing Grapevine committee.
- f) Providing a District Archives.
- g) Ordering, selling and distributing AA conference-approved literature.
- h) Providing an annual Attitude of Gratitude.
- i) Hosting area-wide roundups held within District 61.
- j) Providing workshops, sharing sessions, mini service conferences, etc., for the purpose of promoting fellowship, and unity of purpose.

I

Member groups shall participate at the district level through General Service Representatives. Qualification for this service position shall be determined by each group, and when possible in harmony with the AA service manual.

II

District 61 business can be conducted through District committees.

III

District 61 shall maintain records of its meetings. Minutes and financial records shall be available for examination by any AA member upon request. Any such examination shall be conducted at a time and place convenient to the parties.

IV

District voting members shall nominate and elect a district Committee Member (DCM) and Alternate DCM. Terms of officers shall be for two (2) years, beginning January 1 of the odd numbered year.

V

The Alternate District Committee Member shall preside at and the chair each meeting following an agenda which the District Committee Member and Alternate District Committee member shall determine. To that end, in the spirit of AA, they shall seek the advice and suggestions of the groups.

Be it known that these suggested guidelines are hereby adopted by District 61 on this the 28th day of May 1986

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VI

District voting members shall nominate and elect secretary, a treasurer and committee chairpersons. The services can be provided by any AA member. Terms of office shall be consistent with that of the District Committee Member.

VII

Vacancies in any office of District shall be filled by election of District voting members.

VIII

Any officer of District 61 (District Committee Member, Alternant District Committee Member, Secretary, Treasurer or any committee Chairperson) missing two (2) consecutive meeting without notifying their alternate or the District Committee Member or Alternate District Committee Member shall be automatically terminated from office and the office then shall be voted upon at the next meeting.

IX

These guidelines may be revised, amended, and repealed by a simple majority of District voting members at any regular monthly meeting of the District 61. Guidelines should be reviewed and revised, every 10 years if needed.

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District Guidelines shall be given to all incoming GSRs and committee members.

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