

Expectations & Understandings of Elected Leadership - 2020

Sacramento District Church of the Nazarene



Highlighted Boards & Committees have incumbents with concluding terms in 2020

► All of the following leadership roles require nominated members to be:

- a) devoted followers of Jesus, deeply committed to the mission of the Church of the Nazarene
- b) faithful, active members of a local Church of the Nazarene congregation
- c) consistent in biblical tithe, including district and global support, and
- d) able to assess, evaluate, and strategically think with regard to the respective board.

1. District Advisory Board (4 year term) – 4 ordained ministers & 4 laypersons:

- The DAB serves on behalf of issues related to local church ministry, including ministry and property development, pastoral integrity, and local church *mission* engagement.
- At least six meetings each year, on the third Thursday of Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept; 12–6 pm, with lunch; the November meeting and others may be scheduled the 2nd or 3rd Thursday.
- Meetings are held at the Loomis District Office and occasionally on site at a local church.
- There are occasional email correspondence issues between meetings.
- Conference calls and special called meetings are possible throughout the year.
- An overnight leadership appreciation dinner is hosted by the District in December.

2. District Assembly Finance Committee (2 year term) – equal # of assigned ministers/laypersons:

- The District Assembly Finance Committee meets in late March each year at the Loomis District Office to review the District Treasurer’s Annual Report, and to recommend a *fiscally sound* district budget for the new District Assembly year.

3. District Court of Appeals (4 year term) – 3 ordained ministers & 2 laypersons:

- The District Court of Appeals meets as needed, and has jurisdiction to *hear and decide* all appeals of local church members concerning any action of local boards of discipline.

4. Ministerial Studies & Credentials Boards (4 year term) – 5 or more ordained ministers:

- Both Boards meet from Sunday night through Wednesday afternoon, during the third week of February at the Loomis District Office. The Studies Board reviews completed course work by students in the course of study for ordination. The Credentials Board reviews and examines the character and calling of students for district licensing and application for ordination.

5. Pastoral Care Committee (2 year term) - equal # of assigned ministers/laypersons:

- The Pastoral Care Committee reviews issues related to the personal *well-being* and professional development of those who serve in full or part time pastoral leadership.
- The committee meets online or in person each year for a half day to update and revise as needed a report to be approved by the district assembly as a resource for local church leadership boards.

6. Sunday School & Discipleship Ministries International Board/SDMI (3 year term):

(Refer to SDMI Constitution for Board member composition in the Nazarene Manual)

- The SDMI Board is responsible for equipping the local church *to make Christ like disciples* for all ages in small groups, Sunday School, summer camps, and other special ministries.
- Three to four meetings a year at the Loomis District Office or other location as scheduled
- There are occasional email correspondence and conference calls throughout the year.

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7. General Assembly 2021 – equal # of ordained ministers/laypersons

<https://nazarene.org/news-events/events/general-assembly>

- Serves as the "supreme doctrine-formulating, lawmaking, and elective authority of the Church of the Nazarene" (Man., 300). The General Assembly and auxiliary conventions (NMI, NYI, and SDMI) convene every four years.
- Conventions will meet **June 23-25, 2021** with General Assembly and caucuses **June 26 - July 2** in Indianapolis, IN. This is a 6-8 night commitment where airfare, lodging and meals are paid for by the District.

► ***Travel and necessary housing expense is provided to and from all board/committee meetings.***