

Greater Vallejo Recreation District

GVRD promotes wellness and healthy lifestyles
by providing safe parks and innovative and fun
recreation programs for all residents.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Rita Fryar
Thomas Judt
Nicole Person
Olivia Ruiz
Ward Stewart

GENERAL MANAGER

Gabe Lanusse

Greater Vallejo Recreation District Board of Directors Minutes

Thursday, March 12, 2026- 401 Amador Street, Vallejo, CA 94590

6:30 p.m. – Regular Session

1. Call to Order:

Chairperson Judt called a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Greater Vallejo Recreation District to order at 6:30 p.m., March 12, 2026, in the Board Room of the Greater Vallejo Recreation District Office, 401 Amador Street, Vallejo, California.

2. Pledge of Allegiance:

Chairperson Judt led the pledge of allegiance.

3. Roll Call:

Present: Chairperson Thomas Judt; Vice-Chairperson Ward Stewart, Secretary Nicole Person, Director Olivia Ruiz, Director Rita Fryar

Staff: General Manager, Gabriel Lanusse; Legal Counsel, Andrew Shen; Finance Director, Noel Parkhurst; Board Clerk, Kimberly Pierson

4. Approval of Agenda:

Director Stewart offered the motion, seconded by Director Person to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Public Comment: 2 Speakers-David Marsteller, Jr., Geri Spearman

(Note: For matters not otherwise listed on this agenda. The Board of Directors welcomes your comments under this section but is prohibited by State Law from discussing items not listed on the agenda. Your item will be taken under consideration and may be referred to Board of Directors Committee(s) and/or Staff.) To provide an opportunity for all members of the public who wish to address the Board, a time allocation of 3 minutes for each individual speaker and 5 minutes for an individual representing an organization

6. Presentations:

Fishing in the City and Vallejo Watershed Alliance Museum Exhibit-Doug Darling
Doug Darling invited the board to the Fishing in the City event on March 21st and the Vallejo Watershed Alliance exhibit at the Vallejo Naval & Historical Museum on April 4, 2026.



7. Committee Updates: None

The Chairperson for Standing Committees will provide any updates to the Board of Directors.

8. Consent Calendar:

Items listed on the consent calendar are considered routine in nature and may be enacted by one motion. If discussion is required, that item will be removed from the consent calendar and will be considered separately.

8.1 Approve Board Minutes – February 19, 2026-Special Meeting

8.2 Approve Board Minutes – February 26, 2026

8.3 Accept Policies and Personnel Committee Minutes – February 25, 2026

Director Stewart offered the motion, seconded by Director Person to approve the consent calendar. Motion passed unanimously.

9. Action Items: 1 speaker item 9.1: David Marsteller, Jr.

9.1 Approval for Board Members to Attend the 2026 Special District Leadership Academy in San Rafael on July 19-22, 2026 (Lanusse)

Director Judt offered the motion, seconded by Director Stewart authorize up to all board members to attend the Special District Leadership Academy in San Rafael, CA July 19-22 including all necessary expenses as needed. Motion passed unanimously.

9.2 Approve Updates to Policy 3050- Fixed Asset Accounting (Parkhurst)

Director Judt offered the motion, seconded by Director Stewart to approve changes to Policy 3050-Fixed Asset Accounting. Motion passed unanimously.

9.3 Board of Directors' Work Plan

Chairperson Judt asked board members to share 1 goal and to work with staff on the progress. He then assigned the following:

Director Fryar: Bord Retention/Recruitment/Board Self-Evaluation

Director Ruiz: Budget Improvement Process

Director Person: Work with Legal Counsel to review the current status of the Foundation and make recommendations.

Director Stewart: Prioritize Strategic Planning/Workshop style meeting to review master plan

Director Judt: Grants/How we build relationships with the City of Vallejo

9.4 General Manager Position – Transition Planning and Recruitment Process

The General Manager went over his transition timeline.



10. Staff Updates:

General Manager

- Announced the RFP for the GM Recruitment closed today at noon and 6 responses were received.
- Announced the City of Vallejo asking for public input on the Environmental Justice General Plan Amendments.

11. Announcements and Comments from Board Members:

Chairperson Judt created the following Ad Hoc committee: Executive Recruiter Search Committee. Members: Thomas Judt and Ward Stewart

- **Definition:** "A special, temporary committee to be known as the 'Ad Hoc Executive Recruiter Search Committee' is hereby established."
- **Purpose:** "To review proposals and make recommendations for an executive search firm to provide applicants for positions of a new Interim General Manager followed by a permanent General Manager."
- **Authority & Scope:** "The committee shall present a list of finalists to the Board. Final hiring authority remains with the full Board of Directors."
- **Composition:** "The committee shall consist of 2 members, appointed by the Board Chair."
- **Duration:** "The committee shall automatically dissolve upon the hiring of an Executive Recruiting Firm. "
- **Meeting Frequency:** "The committee shall meet as needed upon call of the Board Chair."

12. Executive Session: At 7:44pm Chairperson Judt convened to executive session.

12.1 Conference with Labor Negotiators; pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Agency Designated Representatives: General Manager, Gabe Lanusse; Andrew Shen, Legal Counsel; Luke Jensen, Director of Labor Relations, Renne Public Law Group

Employee Organizations: International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local Union 1245 (IBEW); Service Employees International Union Local 1021 (SEIU)

12.2 Conference with Labor Negotiators; pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6



Property: 1 St. Johns Mine Road, Vallejo

Agency Negotiators: General Manager, Gabe Lanusse; Director, Ward Stewart;
Peppino Messina

Negotiating Parties: Ray Wright and Gina Wright

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

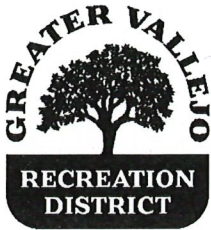
12.3 Public Employee Appointment; pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

Title: General Manager

At 9:28pm Chairperson Judt re-convened to regular session and reported the following: Direction given, nothing to report.

13. Meeting Adjourn: 9:29pm

Nicole Person, Board Secretary



ATTENDANCE SHEET	PRESENT	EXCUSED
Director Fryar	✓	
Director Judt	✓	
Director Person	✓	
Director Ruiz	✓	
Director Stewart	✓	

DATE OF MEETING March 12, 2026 - 6:30pm

Kimberly Pierson 3/12/26
Clerk of the Board Date

**Greater Vallejo Recreation District
Board of Directors Special Meeting
Sign in Sheet
Thursday, March 12, 2026, 6:30pm
Administration Office Board Room**

Signing in for this meeting is voluntary.

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