

# 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

Rizal Aliga  
Robert Briseño  
Thomas Judt  
Tom Starnes  
Ward Stewart

**GENERAL MANAGER**  
Gabe Lanusse

## Greater Vallejo Recreation District Board of Directors Minutes

Thursday, June 12, 2025- 401 Amador Street, Vallejo, CA 94590  
6:30 p.m. – Regular Session

### 1. Call to Order

Chairperson Briseño called a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Greater Vallejo Recreation District to order at 6:30 p.m., June 12, 2025, in the Board Room of the Greater Vallejo Recreation District Office, 401 Amador Street, Vallejo, California.

### 2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairperson Briseño led the pledge of allegiance.

### 3. Roll Call

**Present:** Chairperson, Robert Briseño; Vice-Chairperson, Tom Starnes; Secretary, Thomas Judt; Director Rizal Aliga-Arrived at 8:33pm, Director Ward Stewart

**Staff:** General Manager, Gabe Lanusse; Legal Counsel, Andrew Shen; Recreation Services Director, Antony Ryans; Parks and Facilities Director, Salvador Nuño; Finance Director, Noel Parkhurst; Human Resources Director, Lisa Sorvari; Board Clerk, Kimberly Pierson

### 4. Approval of Agenda

Director Starnes offered the motion, seconded by Director Judt to approve the agenda Motion passed. Director Aliga was absent for the vote.

### 5. Public Comment –1 Speaker-Francean Larsen-Angels with Heart

(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. Committee Updates-None



## 7. 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.

7.1 Approve Board Minutes – May 22, 2025

7.2 Approve Board Minutes-Special Meeting-May 29, 2025

7.3 Accept Policy and Personnel Committee Minutes-May 29, 2025

Director Judt offered the motion, seconded by Director Starnes to approve the consent calendar Motion passed. Director Aliga was absent for the vote.

## 8. Action Items: Public Speakers 8.4: 1 Speaker-Jeffrey Worrell

8.1 Public Hearing Regarding GVRD Job Vacancies and Employee Recruitment and Retention, Pursuant to Assembly Bill 2561 (2024) (Sorvari)

Human Resource Director Sorvari presented a summary of 2025 job vacancies and recruitment efforts.

8.2 Fee Waiver Request from Vallejo Together for Use of Foley Cultural Center on September 19, 2025, for \$1,350 (Lanusse)

Director Briseño offered the motion, seconded by Director Judt to waive \$1225 in fees for the use of Foley Cultural Center on September 19, 2025. Vallejo Together will pay \$125 in fees and GVRD will be a bronze sponsor of the event. Motion passed. Director Aliga was absent for the vote.

8.3 Fiscal Year 2025-26 Preliminary Budget: Board Approval and Consideration of Public Input (Parkhurst)

Director Judt offered the motion, seconded by Director Starnes to approve the fiscal year 2025-26 preliminary budget with general direction to staff to come back with a plan that demonstrates how to replenish the reserves in 3-4 years. Motion passed. Director Aliga was absent for the vote.

8.4 Approve two-year Salary Increase for SEIU Administrative Assistant Classification to fall within 5% of Median based on 2024 Compensation Study. (Lanusse)

Director Starnes offered the motion, seconded by Director Judt to approve a two-year salary increase for the Administrative Assistant classification. 9% the first year and 7.4% the second year. Motion passed. Director Aliga was absent for the vote.



## 9. Financials:

### 9.1 Accept Payment of Bills 5/1/2025 through 5/31/2025 (Parkhurst)

Director Starnes offered the motion, seconded by Director Stewart to approve the payment of bills 5/1/2025 through 5/31/2025. Motion passed. Director Aliga was absent for the vote.

## 10. Staff Updates:

### 10.1 General Manager

- Announced two board members are attending the Community Democratic Club Meeting Next Monday.
- Thanked the Board for letting him attend the CARPD conference. Announced that the District received the CAPRI Safety Award.
- Announced plans to meet with the VCUSD Superintendent regarding the IT investigation and EXLP when schedules free up.
- Announced plans to attend the upcoming meeting being hosted by Assemblywoman Lori Wilson.

### 10.2 Recreation Services Director

- Announced today was the last day of school and Summer programming will launch next week.
- Announced 387 youth are registered for the Jr. Giants program this summer.
- Announced a partnership with Mare Island Brewery for the 2025 Bands and Brews series.
- Provided an update on the Pecos League return to Wilson Field.

### 10.3 Parks and Facilities Director

- Provided updates on the Lake Dalwigk Project.
- Announced The Bay Ridge Trail and Solano Land Trust had a volunteer workday near Blue Rock Springs on June 7<sup>th</sup>.

### 10.4 Human Resources Director

- Provided a brief update on current complaints and investigations.



## 10.5 Finance Director

- Announced positive pay will now be implemented for payroll checks.
- Provided an update on the fiscal year 2022-23 audit.
- Notified board he is working on 2024-25 projections and adjusted budget.

## 11. Announcements and Comments from Board Members:

Director Judt-announced that himself and Director Stewart will be on panel discussion for The Community Democratic Club Monday. Topic is community access to GVRD programming and properties.

Director Aliga announced a few events he recently attended: LaRussell's Field Day at Setterquist Park and Pista Sa Nayon, where he was the mascot.

## 12. Executive Session: At 8:37pm Chairperson Briseño convened to executive session.

12.1 Public Employee Performance Evaluation; pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

Title: General Manager

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

Agency Designated Representative: General Manager Gabe Lanusse

Unrepresented Employees: Finance Director, Parks and Facilities Director, Human Resources Director, Recreation Director, Board Clerk and Human Resources Coordinator

At 10:15pm Chairperson Briseño re-convened to regular session and reported the following:

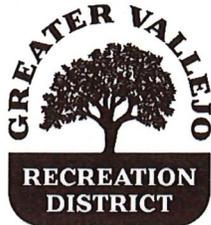
12.1 Information Given, Direction Provided

12.2 Information Given, Direction Provided

## 13. Meeting Adjourn: 10:16pm

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Thomas Judt, Board Secretary



ATTENDANCE SHEET	PRESENT	EXCUSED
Director Aliga	X	— arrived at 8:33pm
Director Briseño	X	
Director Judt	X	
Director Starnes	X	
Director Stewart	X	

**DATE OF MEETING June 12, 2025 - 6:30pm**

*Kimberly Person* 6/12/2025  
 Clerk of the Board                      Date