



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, August 28, 2025- 401 Amador Street, Vallejo, CA 94590
6:30 p.m. – Regular Session

1. Call to Order

Vice-Chairperson Starnes called a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Greater Vallejo Recreation District to order at 6:30 p.m., August 28, 2025, in the Board Room of the Greater Vallejo Recreation District Office, 401 Amador Street, Vallejo, California.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Director Aliga led the pledge of allegiance.

3. Roll Call

Present: Vice-Chairperson, Tom Starnes; Secretary, Thomas Judt, Director, Rizal Aliga; 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; Board Clerk, Kimberly Pierson

Excused: Chairperson, Robert Briseño

4. Approval of Agenda

Director Judt offered the motion, seconded by Director Aliga to approve the agenda with one change. Item 6-Presentation-“fund” should be “foundation”. Motion passed. Chairperson Briseño was absent for the vote.

5. Public Comment-None

(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:

Solano Community-Fund Foundation (Mike Ioakimedes and Leslie Janik)



Representatives from the Community Foundation gave an overview of their organization and offered solutions for supporting the districts foundation. Direction was given to the General Manger and Legal Counsel to bring the topic to a future board meeting.

7. Committee Updates

Director Aliga announced a requested discussion at an upcoming Facility Committee Meeting regarding VCUSD sites closing.

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 – August 14, 2025

Director Aliga offered the motion, seconded by Director Judt to approve the consent calendar with one change to the board minutes-date of meeting should be August 14th. Motion passed. Chairperson Briseño was absent for the vote.

9. Action Items:

9.1 Approve Changes to Policy 3030-Budget Process and Reserves (Lanusse/Parkhurst)
After discussion. Director Starnes offered the motion, seconded by Director Judt to send Policy 3030-Budget Process and Reserves back to committee for further review. Motion passed. Chairperson Briseno was absent for the vote.

9.2 Increase Salary of Human Resources Coordinator Classification by 7.8%, to Bring the Salary Within 5% of Median for Similar Positions. (Lanusse)
Director Starnes offered the motion, seconded by Director Aliga to increase salary of Human Resources Coordinator Classification by 7.8%. Motion passed.
Chairperson Briseño was absent for the vote.

10. Financials:

10.1 Accept Payment of Bills 7/1/2025 through 7/31/2025 (Parkhurst)
Director Judt offered the motion, seconded by Director Stewart to accept payment of bills 7/1/2025 through 7/31/2025. Motion passed. Chairperson Briseño was absent for the vote.



11. Staff Updates:

11.1 General Manager

- Provided an update on a recent meeting with a representative from The Seaweed baseball team.
- Thanked the board for allowing him to attend the recent CSDA conference.
- Announced we received a check from the State Controller's Office during the CSDA conference. It was about a thousand dollars.
- Provided an update on a request to receive data from the Placer.AI software.

11.2 Recreation Services Director

- Provided the board with a postcard promoting upcoming Winter events.
- Announced the Chalk the Block event is happening this Saturday at Children's Wonderland.
- Provided an update on the recent teen cooking camp that was in partnership with Sustainable Solano. 15 teens attended the program.

11.3 Parks and Facilities Director

- Announced the district will receive reimbursement from PGE.
- Announced the Tecogen equipment at Cunningham Pool is back up and running.
- Provided details on the City of Vallejo removing trees at SVCC for parking lot upgrades.
- Announced that a new projector has been order for the Foley Cultural Center.

11.4 Human Resources Director-Given by the General Manager

- Announced some upcoming staff meetings. Will send invites to board for the November and January meetings.

11.5 Finance Director

- Provided an update on the FY 22/23 audit. Due to the remaining items, the field visit will be postponed until January. Staff will continue to make progress.
- Announced that updates to Policy and RR 3050-Fixed Assets have been made and are being reviewed.



12. Announcements and Comments from Board Members:

13. **Executive Session:** At 8:11pm Vice-Chairperson Starnes convened to executive session.

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

Title: General Manager

13.2 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 9:09pm Vice-Chairperson Starnes re-convened to regular session and reported the following:

13.1 and 13.2 Nothing to report

14. Meeting Adjourn: 9:09pm

Thomas Judt, Board Secretary



ATTENDANCE SHEET	PRESENT	EXCUSED
Director Aliga	✓	
Director Briseño		✓
Director Judt	✓	
Director Starnes	✓	
Director Stewart	✓	

DATE OF MEETING August 28, 2025 - 6:30pm

Kimberly Gerson 8/28/2025
Clerk of the Board Date

**Greater Vallejo Recreation District
Board of Directors Meeting
Sign in Sheet
Thursday, August 28, 2025, 6:30pm
Administration Office Board Room**

Signing in for this meeting is voluntary.

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