

GOLDEN GATE COMMUNITY CENTER ADVISORY BOARD (GGCCAB)
MEETING MINUTES
10/06/2025

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

WILLIE BRICE, ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER

ANGELA RICHBERG, ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER

CONSTANCE BETTINGER, ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER

LIZETTE HOMAR-RAMOS, ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

KAYDEE TUFF, ADVISORY BOARD CHAIR

ALSO PRESENT:

MICHAEL OSORIO, INTERIM REGIONAL MANAGER, REGION 1 – PARKS & RECREATION

RAY CORIANO, GGCC SUPERVISOR – PARKS & RECREATION

MARIAH BOSETTI, GGCC TRANSCRIPTIONIST – PARKS & RECREATION

Willie Bryson

I. Call to Order

~~Ms. Tuff~~ called the Meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

II. Attendance/Establish a Quorum

Roll Call was taken by Mr. Brice. Ms. Tuff was not present. Mr. Brice, Ms. Richberg, Ms. Homar-Ramos, and Ms. Bettinger were present. A quorum was established.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Coriano led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Brice called for a motion to approve the Meeting Agenda. Ms. Bettinger entered the motion, which was seconded by Ms. Richberg. All members present were in favor. The motion was carried.

V. Approval of Minutes – September 3rd, 2025

Mr. Brice called for a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes from September 3rd, 2025. Ms. Bettinger entered the motion; it was seconded by Ms. Richberg. All members were in favor. The motion was carried.

VI. Public Comments

No members of the Public were present.

VII. Monthly Budget Report

Mr. Coriano provided the Budget overview for September.

FY2025 Budget Amended: \$553,700.00

A. Revenues

1. **FY2025 Amended: \$954,400.00**
2. **Actual Monthly Revenues for GGCC: SEPTEMBER: \$9,779.63**
3. **FY2025 Total Actuals: \$949,278.26**
4. **Available: \$5,121.74**

At 99.7% Consumption on Revenues for FY2025.

B. Operating Expenses:

1. **FY2025 Amended: \$749,000.00**
2. **Actual Monthly Expenses for GGCC: SEPTEMBER: \$18,944.16**
3. **FY2025 Total Actuals: \$547,757.05**
4. **Available: \$168,689.95**

At 85.1% Consumption on Expenses for FY2025.

Mr. Coriano stated that he has not yet received the final report from OMB on the final numbers for FY2025. Ms. Bettinger asked if the Budget Report needed to be approved or accepted by the Advisory Board. Mr. Coriano stated that we haven't done it in the past, but we can talk to Ms. Tuff (Advisory Board Chairperson) and maybe start next month for the new fiscal year. It certainly wouldn't hurt. Mr. Brice stated that the Advisory Board could acknowledge the Budget Report as given by Mr. Coriano.

VIII. Community Center & Wheels Park Facilities Updates

Mr. Coriano gave updates on the following Community Center & Wheels Park Facilities projects.

A. Community Center:

1. Restroom Floors (Open Item)

There was not much to update on this item. Facilities must complete a report on what they are going to do and what the costs are going to be for the project. Facilities want to start the project by the end of the Fall, probably by Thanksgiving time.

2. Gym Floor (Open Item)

A similar situation to the restroom floors. We did get a project manager assigned to this project. Mr. Dayne Atkinson, Supervisor of Project Management, brought the new project manager, Mr. Edmond Kushi, out for introductions and a facility tour. We would be looking at about three weeks for project completion, around the end of Summer 2026.

3. Marquee Sign (Open Item)

Purchase Order is approved. The permits are approved. Lykins Signtek just must wait for Growth Management (GMD) to release the funds.

4. Shade Panel in Playground

The shade panel edge is frayed and needs to be repaired. It will be funded with FEMA money from Hurricane Ian. Mr. Coriano needs to get the contractor information from Mr. Arcia, Field Supervisor, Parks & Recreation.

5. Floor Polishing at Center & Wheels Park

The floors look a little better after the deep cleaning & polishing. They are contracted to come in and do it twice a year, with the next cleaning scheduled for January or February.

6. Replacement of Air Vents throughout the Center

Facilities came and replaced the air conditioning vent screens in all of the hallways and some of the rental rooms. They are having a hard time finding the right replacements for the six vent screens in the Auditorium and the three in the Gym.

B. Wheels Skate & BMX Park

1. Announcing Tower Tarp Replacement (Open Item)

We are still waiting for funding from FEMA. Hopefully, there will be an update at the next meeting.

2. Skate Park Maintenance

The County is unable to use J Ramps for the maintenance of the Skate Park. They would need to become a county vendor for us to use them.

IX. Old Business

Mr. Coriano gave updates on the following Old Business Agenda items:

A. Storage Charge for Room Rentals

We were able to identify the keys for and open all the cabinets in Room B. The Naples Woodcarvers Club does have some expensive equipment in its cabinet, so we have left those locked. They haven't been in this season yet, but once they do, we will talk to them to see the possibility of them being able to move that out. Mr. Coriano was able to explain the situation to Mr. Lilly from the Studio Players and Pastor Paul Getter from New Life Apostolic Church. Mr. Lilly understood the liability issue, but he wasn't happy about it. Ms. Bettinger asked Mr. Coriano if he had given them a deadline to move by, and Mr. Coriano stated that he was, for now, just making them aware.

B. Winter/Spring 2026 Programs

Programs have been entered and are in beta testing now. The highlights will be the basketball league and volleyball clinics. Registration will start on December 1st.

C. Special Events Planning

There was a change in date for our Christmas event, from the 12th to the 19th of December. Ms. Bettinger asked if we were going to have the train again. Mr. Coriano stated that the company we used last year came back with a higher price than last year, at about \$2,000. A lot of people liked it last year, but that is a pricey increase. So, we're not sure yet.

X. New Business

Mr. Coriano gave updates on the following New Business Agenda items:

A. FY2026 Amended Budget

The main areas that he looks at are what we need to bring in and what is being used for operating. We had an increase in Revenues from \$1,023,900 in FY2025 to \$954,000 for FY2026. For Operating Expenses, we went from \$733,000 in FY2025 to \$767,253 for FY2026. The amount that we receive from the Ad Valorem went up from \$721,000 in FY2025 to \$780,500 in FY2026 (there wasn't a rate increase; values just went up). The only thing that is of concern is our Recreational Camps' Revenues also went up; we will give it a try, given the circumstances with the allocation of the Senior Center. Facility Rentals and Athletic Programs Revenues have increased based on what we have done this past year. Also, a little concerning given the situation with the Senior Center.

B. Wheels/Naples BMX Events

1. Naples BMX "Banging Bars" Race (Friday, December 12th)

Naples BMX Regional Race is a smaller race to prepare for the State Qualifier.

2. Naples BMX State Qualifier (Thursday, January 8th – Sunday, January 11th)

This is a full state race. We expect approximately 3,500 people daily at the event.

We do charge them for the use of the Park for these events.

XI. Member Comments

+Ms. Homar-Ramos stated that she would PASS.

+Ms. Bettinger asked if there was a Wi-Fi signal booster in the building, and if it would be further boosted when the Senior Center comes? Does it need to be boosted? Mr. Coriano stated that we would have to contact IT to come and take a look to see what they can do. We may just need to get an upgraded modem. He will contact Mr. Robert Cruz, the Help Desk Supervisor in IT, to see what they can do for us. Ms. Bettinger asked if, with the restrooms being renovated, Mr. Coriano had a chance to talk with the farmers' market about bringing in porta-johns? Mr. Coriano stated that he hadn't yet, but that was a good point.

+Ms. Richberg asked why the farmers' market uses our restrooms and not porta-johns. Mr. Osorio stated that they do rent the space, and we have to provide facilities for them as renters. Mr. Coriano stated that we only allow people from the market to use the restrooms on the west side of the building. But with the construction, we wouldn't have much choice in letting them use the east side restrooms. Mr. Osorio stated that Mr. Coriano may have to decide that the market has to take off for a week or two.

+Ms. Bettinger stated that there is a new open carry law. She asked if we should post a sign to show that people can't open carry their guns in the park and the facility. Mr. Coriano stated that it was a good point. He hadn't heard anything about needing a sign, but he will reach out to Mr. Hanrahan and ask about it.

+Ms. Bettinger stated that Room B isn't a lockable room. Even though we still aren't sure what will happen with early voting and/or the Senior Center. She asked if the Advisory Board needed to direct Mr. Coriano to make it lockable for early primary voting. Mr. Coriano stated that it was an easy fix; he would just need to contact Facilities and place a work order.

+Mr. Brice stated that OBS & ORM say we have all this money in our reserves. We want to use the money, and we ask that the money be used, but we can't get what we want done right away, and we have to wait. We try to use it, but they won't let us use it. Mr. Coriano stated that the system has been streamlined. Mr. Brice asked if we could put in a Purchase Order for something and get it tomorrow? Mr. Coriano stated not that fast.

+Mr. Brice stated that we have the money; what is stopping us from getting it done? He can go back two years in the Minutes and see projects there that we are still talking about. If we have the money, what is stopping us from getting it done? Mr. Coriano stated that Ms. Tuff always said that we wouldn't have a problem using our reserve funds for projects and necessary updates, BUT not if the County should be paying for it, either partially or fully.

XII. Adjournment

With no further topics for discussion, Mr. Brice called for a motion to adjourn the Meeting. Ms. Bettinger entered the motion; Ms. Homar-Ramos seconded the motion, and all members present agreed. The Meeting was adjourned at 7:42PM.

Golden Gate Community Center Advisory Board



Kaydee Tuff, Chairman

These minutes approved by the Board on 11/03/2025 as presented,
or as amended _____.

Next Meeting, Monday, November 3rd, 2025, at 6:00PM
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