

GOLDEN GATE COMMUNITY CENTER ADVISORY BOARD (GGCCAB)
MEETING MINUTES
01/05/2026

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kaydee Tuff, Advisory Board Chairperson

Willie Brice III, Advisory Board Member

Lizzette Homar-Ramos, Advisory Board Member

Angela Richberg, Advisory Board Member

Constance Bettinger, Advisory Board Member

ALSO PRESENT:

James Hanrahan, Division Director – Parks & Recreation

Mike Osorio, Region II, Regional Manager – Parks & Recreation

Ray Coriano, GGCC Park Supervisor – Parks & Recreation, Advisory Board Facilitator

Mariah Bosetti, GGCC Customer Service Specialist II – Parks & Recreation, Advisory Board Recorder

- I. Call to Order**
Ms. Tuff called the Meeting to order at 6:03pm.
- II. Attendance/Establish a Quorum**
Roll Call was taken by Ms. Tuff. All members were present. A quorum was established.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance**
Mr. Coriano led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- IV. Approval of Agenda**
Ms. Tuff called for a motion to approve the Meeting Agenda. Mr. Brice entered the motion; Ms. Homar-Ramos seconded it. All members were in favor. The motion was carried.
- V. Approval of Minutes – December 1st, 2025**
Ms. Tuff called for a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes from December 1st, 2025. Ms. Bettinger entered the motion; Mr. Brice seconded it. 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 December budget overview.

FY2026 Budget Amended: \$1,023,900.00

A. Revenues:

1. **FY2026 Amended: \$1,023,900.00**
2. **Actual Monthly Revenues for GGCC: DECEMBER - \$417,056.44**
3. **FY2026 Total Actuals: \$702,724.08**
4. **Available: \$321,175.92**

Mr. Coriano stated that \$399,602.74 from the Ad Valorem was added to Revenues in December.

B. Operating Expenses:

1. **FY2026 Amended: \$767,253.00**
2. **Actual Monthly Expenses for GGCC: DECEMBER - \$92,570.83**
3. **FY2026 Total Actuals: \$243,516.44**
4. **Available: \$129,926.02**

Mr. Coriano stated that we are at 83.1% Consumption for the fiscal year so far. His report showed that \$77,000 of the \$92,570.83 in December expenses was committed to the bathroom renovations. Ms. Bettinger asked if we would have enough funds for the rest of the year, and Mr. Coriano stated that we should.

C. Reserve Funds: \$1,577,900.00

This amount hasn't changed since the start of the fiscal year.

Ms. Tuff requested that Mr. Coriano go back to a more detailed version of the monthly Budget Report. Ms. Tuff asked Mr. Hanrahan to arrange for Chris Johnson, Corporate Financial & Management Services, to come and speak with the Advisory Board about the Reserve Fund once they have identified what they would like to do. Mr. Hanrahan stated he could arrange that.

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)

The bathroom renovation is underway. The women's bathroom has the tiling finished. There is a slight hold on the men's bathroom because we had a flood over the Christmas holiday. One of the caps sealing a pipe in the bathroom blew off; it went right through the wall. There was water that covered almost all of the east wing, up to the gym entrance, and back down into the Auditorium, Kitchen, and part of Room B. We were fortunate that our maintenance guys were here, emptying the outside bins, when they noticed water coming out of the front entrance and called it in. Rob Franco, Crew Leader – Parks & Recreation, called and informed Mr. Coriano that Fire Services was able to get out quickly to start cleanup.

There was so much stuff in that bathroom's drainpipe that it got clogged. When the plumber came in and snaked the drain, the water started flushing out. Then we had to deal with the recovery time to get everything dry. The last office (Ms. Del Pozo & Ms. Arias' office) was the one that got it the worst. Luckily, water didn't get into any of the other offices.

The other issue, along with the flooding, was that a drainpipe cover was broken during demolition. They had to stop work, and the contractor tried to fix it, but was unable to. They reported it to Facilities; they determined that they will need to install a new section of pipe with the cover. Ms. Tuff asked how much of a delay we have now. Mr. Hanrahan stated that the bathrooms are still on schedule for completion by February 1st. We should have a start date for the second set of bathrooms once the first set is done. He stated that he will ensure he has an update from Facilities for the February Advisory Board meeting.

Ms. Tuff asked about the bathroom schedule at Wheels. Mr. Coriano stated that he believed that the plan was to renovate one set of bathrooms at a time. Once both sets of bathrooms are done here, then they will start at Wheels. They won't be doing the floors at Wheels; they'll just be doing the partitions and fixtures.

2. Gym Floor (Open Item)

No new/updated information is available.

Mr. Hanrahan stated that Brooke Roxberry, Management Analyst II, Operations & Regulatory Management, would be able to provide an update; she did have some, but she has been out. He stated that once she is back in the office, he will have her provide an update via email.

3. Shade Panel in Playground

Mr. Coriano found out that the same company that replaced the panel on the Observation Tower could also repair the playground shade panel. Apparently, we are on their list to come out; it's just a matter of where we are on the list. Mr. Franco is supposed to find that out for us.

Mr. Hanrahan asked that Mr. Coriano email him on this matter so he could follow up with Eric Short, Facilities Manager, for an update.

B. Wheels Skate & BMX Park

1. Skate Park Maintenance (Open Item)

Mr. Coriano stated that there are no new updates since Ms. Roxberry's last update.

Ms. Bettinger stated that her concern is that the Advisory Board has been discussing getting the Skate Lite coating done for months. Then Ms. Roxberry stated at the November meeting that we need to replace the entire park, and it will cost one million dollars. They have had people come in and inspect, without even talking with Mr. Coriano. They need to be telling Mr. Coriano about these things ahead of time, not in the middle of a meeting. He can't answer any questions the Advisory Board might have because he didn't have any idea or warning. Now, it's been two or three months, and we don't know whether it needs to be fully replaced or only partially. She doesn't appreciate that Ms. Roxberry isn't available to be here, and that she is probably the right person to provide answers. We have been on the hook for this for a couple of months, with no email report of what she said/reported during the meeting, including a breakdown and explanation. We would really like to know what is going on and not go another couple of months without information.

Ms. Tuff agreed that the Advisory Board was surprised by it all. We had just updated parts of the Skate Park, so when Ms. Roxberry told them that, she was shocked.

Mr. Coriano stated that they were all surprised by that. Only because Ms. Trimino stated that someone came out and did a walk-through, while they received the info from the new Project Manager, who is not versed in skate park maintenance. Mr. Hanrahan stated that he would get with Ms. Trimino & Ms. Roxberry and see what information they have.

Ms. Bettinger stated that, as an Advisory Board member, if Growth Management (GMD) has any new/updated information, they can send it to Mr. Coriano at least a week in advance. Hence, he has the notice to put it on the agenda, or can they research questions that he knows the Advisory Board might ask? Mr. Hanrahan stated that he will tell them they need to provide any updates to Mr. Coriano (even if there are none) two weeks in advance of the Advisory Board meeting. If there are updates, great; if there aren't, when will the next update be?

2. BMX Track Turns

Mr. Coriano spoke with Ray the Trapper; he charges per iguana for removal. GMD stated that the County doesn't have a contract with him. Ms. Bettinger asked if the iguana's presence would impact the BMX races. Mr. Coriano stated that they wouldn't, because they run back to their dens (under the second straightaway) whenever there is activity on the track.

Mr. Coriano stated that our maintenance guys were out there, trying to put more rocky soil on the second turn, where all the holes are. They throw dirt on top of that, and then mulch on top of that. There are some cuts that they are going to make in the concrete. Just in case someone goes over the turn, they won't make contact with any of the concrete; they can fall into the mulch.

He also stated that Mr. George Suarez, Naples BMX Track Operator, has been doing a great job with the track. He's been in that position for about 2 years and was working on track maintenance over the Christmas holiday, including pressure washing, treating the turns, and other work. Mr. Suarez thinks it would be great if the turns got resurfaced, but he is concerned about the possible materials. It would need to be porous concrete, not asphalt, to prevent slipping in the turns.

3. Camera System

Ms. Bettinger asked whether Mr. Coriano had been able to see what was happening on the cameras yet. Mr. Coriano stated that he couldn't. Mr. Hanrahan stated that this item was his responsibility. He stated that Mr. Coriano had sent in all the forms. He is handling that because it needs his approval before going to Facilities. Now that he is back in the office, he will get that taken care of.

C. Senior Center Relocation Update

Mr. Coriano stated that he didn't have any new/updated information. He had reached out to Ester Lully, Director – Collier Senior Center, and told her if she had any updates to reach out, but he hadn't heard anything from her.

Ms. Bettinger asked whether a County staff member was serving as a liaison for the project, other than John Dunnuck. Is there someone in the County coordinating all this: the library space, the GGCC space, etc.? Mr. Coriano stated that he wasn't sure. Mr. Hanrahan stated that he would check who from the County is coordinating with the Senior Center regarding the visit, etc.

Ms. Bettinger stated that when Mr. Dunnuck was here on a different matter, he shared with the Advisory Board that they were having trouble with one of the grants and that it was delaying them moving out of the building, but they weren't given any dates. We need to know, and Mr. Hanrahan agreed.

Ms. Tuff stated that if they weren't going to be moving in when they said they would, maybe we would be able to run a full summer camp. Ms. Bettinger stated that she noticed online that the Senior Center doesn't have a February calendar posted, and there is absolutely nothing on their website about their move. Her concern is that people need to know that they are moving, and they keep changing what they want to do at the library. She hoped we could get a Board member or a Senior Center staff member to attend the Advisory Board meetings to coordinate and address questions.

Ms. Tuff agreed, whoever the liaison is. The only information we were getting was from Mr. Dunnuck, who is leaving the County. Mr. Hanrahan concurred; Mr. Dunnuck was retiring at the end of the week. Mr. Coriano stated that he would reach out again to Ms. Lully to see if they have any additional information and to invite them to an Advisory Board meeting. Ms. Tuff suggested we could also invite the library branch manager.

Mr. Hanrahan stated that he will find out who the new point person is and get more information on where they are with the grants. Once the Senior Center is here, they WILL meet with Mr. Coriano for scheduling. There should not be any surprises.

IX. Old Business

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

A. Christmas Event – Cookies with Santa (December 19th, 2025)

Mr. Coriano presented pictures and a video compilation assembled by Ms. Carly Del Pozo, Program Leader – GGCC. He also wanted to thank Ms. Bettinger, Mr. Santa, Ms. Homar-Ramos, and Ms. Richberg for all their help during and after the event. We didn't have as many vendors as we did for Halloween, but we still had enough. We ended up with about 200 attendees. The people did tend to congregate in the Auditorium's cookie-decorating area, but he got them moving again.

B. Winter/Spring Programs update

Nothing additional to add. Registration is open, and we're starting to plan for summer camp.

X. New Business

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

1. Naples BMX State Qualifier: January 10th, 2026

They are ready for this upcoming weekend. A parade lap by both pro and younger riders will open the event on Saturday morning.

Friday, January 9, 2026 - Practice 1pm – 8pm

Saturday, January 10, 2026 - Practice 8am – 11am, races start at 12pm

Sunday, January 11, 2026 - Races start at 9am

USA BMX expects 800 – 1,000 riders for the event. We are there to host and support USA BMX with internal operations. They will use the open field for RV parking and camping. They will be bringing in porta-johns for restrooms.

2. Hosting Judo & Karate Annual Tournaments

We will be hosting a Karate Regional Tournament on February 7th. This will be their 1st year with us at the gym. We'll also host a Judo Tournament on February 21st.

3. Next Special Event: Spring Fling Event scheduled for Saturday, March 28th, 2026, 11am – 1pm

We have already looked at purchasing eggs, inflatables, and other supplies. We should get a good number of people attending the event.

XI. Member Comments

+Ms. Richberg asked if we were still getting the cover for the new marquee sign. Mr. Coriano stated that we don't have the cover yet. Ms. Richberg stated that the Marquee Sign should still be an 'Open Item' on the agenda, because it's not finished. Mr. Coriano stated that she is correct and that he will need to get with Ms. Roxberry about this. Ms. Richberg also suggested healthier snacks for the event, rather than so much sugar. Mr. Coriano stated it will be noted for the next event.

+Mr. Brice thanked Mr. Coriano for his acceptance letter from the BOCC. He stated that he had been in touch with some community organizers, who were interested in holding their free community event again this Easter Sunday (April 5, 2026) at the open field. He had asked them to talk with Mr. Coriano regarding the setup. They had asked whether they could get an extra hour at the end of the event this year. They would like to set up in the morning, have the event start at 2pm, run to 5pm, and clean up/tear down from 5 - 6pm. They have also hired extra security with CCSO.

+Ms. Tuff stated that she would PASS.

+Ms. Bettinger stated that she had done some research on what an 'Airnasium' is/what it does because she didn't know, and she figured other Advisory Board members may not know either. For reference, she printed pictures of the ones at Max Hasse Community Park and Riverside Park. Ms. Tuff asked if she had any idea of the costs. Maybe the cost could be shared with the County. Mr. Coriano stated that the first expense would be to hire an engineer, and they're not cheap. Then you would look at contractors, materials, and so on. Mr. Hanrahan stated that we could reach out to the city of Ave Maria regarding their new "Airnasium".

+Ms. Bettinger also wanted to thank Ms. Richberg and Ms. Homar-Ramos for their help with cleanup at the Cookies with Santa event.

+Ms. Homar-Ramos stated she wants to say that communication is vital. She would like to see better communication between the County and Mr. Coriano. She appreciates Mr. Hanrahan's follow-up with Work Orders and other issues.

XII. Adjournment

With no further topics for discussion, Ms. Tuff called for a motion to adjourn the Meeting. Ms. Bettinger entered the motion; Ms. Homar-Ramos seconded the motion, and all members agreed. The Meeting was adjourned at 7:37pm.

Golden Gate Community Center Advisory Board



Kaydee Tuff, Chairman

These minutes approved by the Board on 02/02/2026 as presented,
or as amended _____.

Next Meeting, Monday, February 2nd, 2026, at 6:00pm
Golden Gate Community Center • 4701 Golden Gate Parkway, Rm. C, Naples, FL 34116