



GOLETA CEMETERY DISTRICT

Minutes of a Regular Meeting

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Goleta Cemetery District was held

January 14, 2025, at 4:00 pm

Goleta Cemetery District Office
44 S. San Antonio Rd., Santa Barbara, CA 93110

Present: Terry Dressler, Board Chairman
Gene Geller, Board Vice-Chairman
Claudia Chyla, Board Secretary
Rick Bower, District General Manager
Carrie Troup, CPA, District Accountant

Absent: None

1. Meeting called to order @ 4:00 pm. Welcome to all present.

2. Roll Call

Terry Dressler, Board Chairman – Present
Gene Geller, Board Vice-Chairman – Present
Claudia Chyla, Board Secretary – Present

3. Public Comment: None

4. Adoption of Agenda:

The Board adopted the agenda as presented. Motion by Mr. Geller, second by Ms. Chyla.
Ayes: Chyla, Dressler, Geller. Motion carried.

5. Correspondence / Information for Board:

Trustees – None.

District Manager Bower – Discussed his completed evaluation and reported that the annual financial audit has been completed.

6. Approve Draft Meeting Notes of the December 10th, 2024 Regular Board Meeting:

The Board adopted the meeting notes as presented. Motion by Mr. Geller, second by Ms. Chyla. Ayes: Chyla, Dressler, Geller. Motion carried.

7. Reports: District General Manager and District Accountant:

- a.** Services for December: 6 (2 Casket / 4 Cremation)
2024 Thru December: 103 (49 Casket / 54 Cremation); 2023: 116 (45 / 71)
- b.** Presentation of District's December financial report by Carrie Troup, CPA

Action Items (The Board will discuss and may take action on the following items):

8. Old Business:

None.

9. New Business:

- a.** General Manager Bower requested, and the Board approved, to amend District Personnel Handbook to remove the Friday after Thanksgiving as a District holiday. In lieu of that, add an additional floating holiday for all full-time staff. Motion by Mr. Geller, second by Ms. Chyla. Ayes: Chyla, Dressler, Geller. Motion carried.
- b.** General Manager Bower updated the Board on available inventory of plots and niches. He reported average annual sales: 69 graves, 13 cremation, and 13 niches a year; with 12 years remaining availability at this rate.

10. Items for next regular meeting Agenda – scheduled for March 11, 2025:

- a.** Audited District Financial Report FY July 1, 2023, thru June 30, 2024.
- b.** Development Project.

11. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 4:24 pm. Motion by Mr. Dressler, second by Ms. Chyla. Ayes: Chyla, Dressler, Geller. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Rick Bower, Clerk of the Board
Goleta Cemetery District Board of Trustees