



Sep 10 GSRMA Board Meeting Minutes

Golden State Risk Management Authority

9/10/2025 6:00 PMPDT

@ 243 W. Sycamore Street Willows, CA. 95988

Attendance

Present:

Members: Scott Schimke, Rick Krepelka (remote), Dave Glende (remote), Jennifer Peters, Tricia Alderman (remote), Jennifer Chilton, Tim McClanahan, Maria Williams, Sam Adams, Nick Valdivia, Jake Dickman (remote), Veronica Corriea

Guests: Karl Meng (remote)

Board Members: Gina Taylor, Rick Beale, Jim Yoder, Tony Arendt, Matt Romano, Neal Quinn, Jim Jones

I. Welcome and Introductions (Presenters: Gina Taylor)

President Taylor began the meeting at 6:00 PM. Sam Adams, Director of Information Technology, introduced Nick Valdivia, our new data analyst.

II. Role Call (Presenters: Veronica Corriea)

III. Public Comment and Unscheduled Matters (Presenters: Gina Taylor)

Receive comments from the audience, staff and Board members, and, if deemed necessary, schedule the matter on a subsequent Board agenda.

At this time, members of the public have the opportunity to address the Board on any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board.

No public comment received at this time. No unscheduled matters.

IV. Consent Agenda (Presenters: Gina Taylor)

A. July 9, 2025 meeting minutes

Motion:

Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion moved by Rick Beale and motion seconded by Jim Yoder. Ayes: Gina Taylor, Rick Beale, Jim Yoder, Matt Romano, Tony Arendt, Jim Jones, Neal Quinn.
Motion passes with 7 ayes.

V. Information-Reports

A. Member Services/Loss Prevention (Presenters: Jennifer Peters)

LPSF report: We have received requests for \$11,000 thus far.

Member and market engagement events and trainings were covered from 6/30/25-8/22/25.

HR Hotline annual update: History: Started in 2011. No cost to our members. In 2019 transitioned to a PRISM program resulting in zero cost to the pool. Usage by member type: Special districts 36%, Cemetery Districts 35%, Fire District 23%, City 6%, County 0%. Cemetery utilization is the highest it has ever been. It is also good to see that special districts are utilizing this more too. There has been a drop year over year in the number of calls this year. Hopefully lower calls represents less problems at their districts. Calls were separated into 6 categories: Employment hiring 29%, compensation and benefits 21%, Board and Board policies 17%, discipline/termination 16%, injured disabled 15%, other 2%.

Summary for the period 2019-2025: Increase in the number of members utilizing this service. Total number of calls was 2871 broken out as follows: Cemetery Districts, 1,337; Special Districts, 842; City, 360; Fire Districts, 299; School Districts, 31; County, 2. Utilization by call type: Discipline termination, 27%; employment/hiring, 27%; compensation & Benefits, 16%; Injured/disabled, 13%; board and board policies, 8%; other, 9%. The County doesn't utilize this service as they have counsel on staff.

Summary of use of our online training platform, Vector Solutions: Courses completed in 2024-2025, 13,703, an increase from 11,100 in 2023-2024. Courses completed by member type: Fire districts, 4,789; cities, 3,036; county, 1,634; school districts, 3,519; special districts, 548; cemetery districts, 177.

Custom activities completed in 24-25 total 43,496, an increase from 31,107 in 23-24. Custom activities completed by member type: Fire Districts, 30,059; cities, 7,221; county districts, 6,019; school districts, 166; special districts, 18; cemetery districts, 13.

Sarah Grijalva, Risk Control Coordinator, has taken this on managing this resource this last year, and is doing a good job getting more members involved.

The GSRMA Annual Conference is around the corner. No cost to members and their staff.

B. Executive Director (Presenters: Scott Schimke)

The CAJPA conference coming up next week and we have a good contingent of staff attending. Jennifer Peters, Assistant Risk Manager, will be a speaker at the conference. The first annual PRISM conference will be at the end of September. While patterned in some respect on our annual conference, this will be larger due to the size of their organization. We have a good contingent of staff attending this conference as well. The PARMA conference, is in February. The keynote speaker is Captain Philips. CASS was selected as the winner from the RMAP drawing and their Executive Director and Assistant Executive Director will be attending. We have staff attending as well.

C. Board Comments

Director, Rick Beale, noted that their manager got contacted on Tuesday they needed to respond to Friday to qualify for the RMAP program. Previous notice had been sent out, but the reminder was still a surprise. They are closely monitoring hours this year to see that if the program is worthwhile for them. They simply want to ensure the financial return is worth the work put into it. He noted that a similar amount of work is required no matter the size of the organization yet the funds returned vary based on the size of the organizations. He estimates that last year, it took their staff 80 hours to complete the RMAP program.

Director Jim Jones appreciated Jennifer Peters' thorough report. He noted that his district, TCCA, were concerned about the closing of the emergency ward at Glenn Medical. They are providing Life flight membership to their staff and wondered if we should offer this to Glenn County member employees in order to possibly save injured worker transport costs. Executive Director Schimke noted that Life Flight excludes workers' comp programs for its use. He did note that losing this facility will impact injured workers in the local area as they have to travel 30 or more miles for any emergency treatment. This will likely impact injured worker outcomes which will, in turn, impact GSRMA.

VI. Finance (Presenters: Jennifer Chilton)

A. Approval of the July 2025 Financial Report (Presenters: Jennifer Chilton)

CFO Jennifer Chilton reviewed the current financial statements. She noted that 15 member districts out of our entire membership elected to make payments. There was strong positive response by members to the pay-in-full discount this

year with 329 members paying in full. She also noted that a considerable number of payments are now being made via ACH.

Motion:

Approve financial payments and reports as presented.

Motion moved by Jim Jones and motion seconded by Neal Quinn. Ayes: Gina Taylor, Rick Beale, Jim Yoder, Matt Romano, Tony Arendt, Jim Jones, Neal Quinn
Motion passes with 7 ayes.

- B. Investment advisor presentation by Chandler Asset Management (Presenters: Karl Meng)

Investment advisor, Karl Meng, gave a thorough overview of market conditions. He addressed various future scenarios and possible effects on the GSRMA portfolio. He did spend some time on the strategy both on investment quality and duration.

- C. Investment policy approval (Presenters: Jennifer Chilton)

The Chandler Management team recommended modifications to the GSRMA Investment Policy primarily to bring it current with State requirements. A redline version of the policy was provided to the board with these recommended changes.

Motion:

Approve revised investment policy as presented.

Motion moved by Jim Yoder and motion seconded by Jim Jones. Ayes: Gina Taylor, Rick Beale, Jim Yoder, Matt Romano, Tony Arendt, Jim Jones, Neal Quinn
Motion passes with 7 ayes.

VII. GSRMA Membership

- A. New members for Board Ratification (Presenters: Tim McClanahan)

Motion:

Ratify membership for districts as presented.

Motion moved by Jim Jones and motion seconded by Neal Quinn. Ayes: Gina Taylor, Rick Beale, Jim Yoder, Matt Romano, Tony Arendt, Jim Jones, Neal Quinn Motion passes 7 ayes

1. Carpinteria Groundwater Sustainability Agency

In Santa Barbara county.

2. Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority

Sacramento county.

B. Report on Past Due Members (Presenters: Jennifer Chilton)

None to report

VIII. Administration

A. Election Timeline Update (Presenters: Scott Schimke)

Executive Director Schimke reviewed the Board Election timeline noting that nominations open October 1.

B. Resolution No. 202505: Designate representative to AGRiP (Presenters: Scott Schimke)

Motion:

Approve Resolution 2025-05

Motion moved by Jim Jones and motion seconded by Tony Arendt. Ayes: Gina Taylor, Rick Beale, Jim Yoder, Matt Romano, Tony Arendt, Jim Jones, Neal Quinn

IX. Future Meetings

A. November TBD

B. January 14, 2026

C. March 11, 2026

X. Adjournment

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Meeting Adjourned at 7:04 PM

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