South Carolina Perpetual Care Cemetery Board
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 10, 2026, at 10:00am in Upstate Conference Room
110 Centerview Drive, Kingstree Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the South Carolina Perpetual Care Cemetery Board office, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, and provided to all requesting persons, organizations, and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

Board Members Present

Russel Floyd, Chairperson
David Brown, Vice Chairperson
Jeff Riggins
Felicia Smith-Charles
Pamela Turner
Mark Plyler

SCDLLR Staff Present

Mary League, Esq.- Advice Counsel,
Alexis Bell, Esq.- Disciplinary Counsel, Office of Disciplinary Counsel
Matalie Mickens- Board Executive
Otis Richardson- Administrative Coordinator
Cameron Hadley- Administrative Assistant
Renee Young- Lead Investigator, OIE
Sekimer Vinson- Investigator, OIE
Tori Smith- Investigator, OIE
Kirsten Mobley- Investigator, OIE
Virginia Wetzel- Director, Governmental Affairs

PUBLIC

Tina Behles, Court Reporter
Jude Abraham
Lorena Trujillo
Alex Sandbach

1. **Meeting Called to Order**

   Mr. Floyd called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

2. **Adopting of the Agenda**

   MOTION: Mr. Riggins moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Ms. Smith- Charles, which carried unanimously.

3. **Introduction of Board Members and Staff**

   The board members and staff attending the meeting introduced themselves.

4. APPROVAL OF EXCUSED ABSCENCES

All present

5. Approval of the May 7, 2026 Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Ms. Smith-Charles moved to approve the May 7, 2026 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Brown, which carried unanimously.

6. Chairperson's Remarks

Mr. Floyd welcomed everyone to the Board meeting.

7. Legislative Update

Ms. Wetzel gave an update on the status State Legislature bills that impact the Perpetual Care Cemetery Board.

8. STAFF REPORTS

A. Board Executive Report

Ms. Mickens advised the Board of the licensee totals as of September 10, 2026. There are 21 Cemeteries with less than 10 acres and 90 Cemeteries with more than 10 acres, for a total of 111.

Financial Report: As of June 30, 2026 the cash balance is -$394,753.11.

B. Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE) Report

Ms. Young reported that the Office of Investigation and Enforcement received 14 complaints, with 3 active investigations, and closed 5 cases between January 01, 2026 and September 10, 2026. This report is for information only.

C. Investigative Review Conference (IRC) Report

Ms. Young presented the IRC report for the Board's approval.

MOTION: Mr. Brown made a motion to accept the IRC report. The motion was seconded by Ms. Smith-Charles, which carried unanimously.

D. Office of Disciplinary (ODC) Counsel

Ms. Bell informed the Board that as of September 10, 2026, the Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC) has 8 open cases; 1 case pending hearing or agreement. ODC closed 2 cases since the last report April 20, 2026. This report is for information only.

9. Application Hearings
9.a, 9.b

Grandview Memorial Park- Rock Hill-Ryan Johnson

MOTION: Mr. Riggins moved to combine item 9.a and 9.b, regarding change of ownership/control, and transfer of the care and maintenance trust and the merchandise trust for Grandview Memorial Park. The motion was seconded by Mr. Brown, which carried unanimously.

Jude Abraham, Lorena Trujillo, and Alex Sandbach were sworn in, and answered questions from the Board.

MOTION: Ms. Turner made a motion to go into executive session for legal counsel. The motion was seconded by Mr. Riggins, which carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Mr. Riggins moved to exit executive session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Brown, which carried unanimously. No votes were taken

MOTION: Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the change of ownership and the transfer of irrevocable care and maintenance trust fund and of the merchandise fund, with the condition of submitting a sales contract and disclosures compliant with South Carolina law, and proof of all funds in the trusts being moved from Wells Fargo to Region Bank. The motion was seconded by Mr. Riggins, which carried unanimously.

10. Elections

MOTION: Mr. Floyd made a motion to nominate Mr. Brown as Chair. The motion was seconded by Mr. Riggins, which carried unanimously.

MOTION: Mr. Floyd made a motion to nominate Mr. Riggins as Vice Chair. The motion was seconded by Mr. Brown, which carried unanimously.

11. Legislative Contact

MOTION: Mr. Brown made a motion to make the Chair and Vice Chair the legislative contacts. The motion was seconded by Ms. Smith-Charles, which carried unanimously.

12. Proposed Meeting Dates
The approval of meeting dates was moved to a special called meeting.

13. Public Comments
None

14. Adjournment

MOTION: Mr. Brown made a motion to adjourn the September 10, 2026 Perpetual Care

Cemetery Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Riggins, which carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:39a.m.

The next scheduled meeting for the SC Perpetual Care Cemetery Board is **November 10, 2026.**