

Barstow Cemetery District

POLICY TITLE: Press Relations

POLICY NUMBER: 2405

2405.1

Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to provide for an orderly presentation to the press, of information about District activities and Board actions.

2405.2

Press Relations:

The General Manager is hereby designated as the official representing the District to the press. Employees of the District shall refer all press inquiries to the General Manager. Board members and other District officials are encouraged to refer press inquiries regarding District activities and Board actions to the General Manager or the President of the Board. Individual Board members should take care not to represent their own opinions as those of the Board or the District, even when those opinions coincide with formal Board actions.

2405.3

Press Releases:

Press releases regarding the District shall be approved by the General Manager and the Chairperson of the Board. Whenever possible, all members of the Board shall be given an opportunity to review proposed press releases. Board members should take care not to comment on proposed press releases outside Board meetings in a way that might constitute a serial meeting violation of the Brown Act. Thus, comments should be directed to the President of the Board, the General Manager, or both, but not to other members of the Board.