

Barstow Cemetery District

POLICY TITLE: Performance Evaluation
POLICY NUMBER: 3130

3130.1

This policy shall apply to all employees.

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In order to provide employees with information concerning their employment progress and to identify areas to improve job performance, the employee's supervisor and General Manager will conduct formal written employee evaluations at least once per year, preferably using the employee's hire date anniversary for an annual evaluation.

Generally, employee evaluations may be performed at three (3) months and/or six (6) months after date of hire and shall be performed near the end of the twelve (12) month probationary period. At the end of the twelve (12) month probationary period, the District may extend the probationary employee's probation period in order to provide the employee additional time to improve his or her job performance and/or to provide the District additional time to observe the probationary employee's work performance.

In the event that an employee's supervisor or the General Manager determines that a regular part-time or regular full-time employee's job performance has not improved after receiving a written performance evaluation, the supervisor or the General Manager may elect to establish a performance improvement plan ("PIP"), also known as a performance action plan to provide an employee the opportunity to succeed while still being held accountable for past performance. A PIP shall be used to address either failures to meet specific job performance-related or behavior-related issues. A PIP format and content shall conform to the guidelines provided in Exhibit "A" attached to this Policy Manual.

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Ratings:

Performance evaluations shall be in writing on forms prescribed by the General Manager or his or her designee. The evaluation shall provide recognition for effective performance and identify areas that need improvement. All evaluations will have an overall evaluation of Unsatisfactory, Improvement Needed, Satisfactory, Above Satisfactory, or Outstanding.

- Unsatisfactory work is well below the standard expected of a competent worker in that job position, a majority of the time. Unsatisfactory ratings must be substantiated in a written statement by the evaluator.
- Improvement needed performance is frequently less than the standard expected of a competent worker in that job position, and improvable with additional training, experience, or effort.
- Satisfactory work performance consistently meets the standard expected of a competent worker in that job position.
- Above satisfactory work performance is generally above the standard expected of a competent worker in that job position, a majority of the time.
- Outstanding work performance is consistently and distinctly well above the standard expected of a competent worker in that job position; performance is superior. Outstanding ratings must be substantiated in a written statement by the evaluator.

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3130.4 Evaluation Procedure:

The performance evaluation must be signed by the evaluator, as well as the employee, and discussed with the employee. Unscheduled performance evaluations may be made at the discretion of the General Manager or his or her designee. An employee may respond to a performance evaluation in writing, which shall be attached to the performance evaluation. An employee shall speak with his or her evaluator regarding a performance evaluation in which he or she disagrees. If the employee is dissatisfied with his or her supervisor's response to a written response to a performance evaluation, the employee may discuss the performance evaluation rating to the General Manager. The General Manager may only modify employee evaluations if there is a compelling reason to do so.

3130.5

The evaluation and contract negotiations of the General Manager shall be conducted by the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Board of Trustees. Their recommendations shall be brought to the Board in a Closed Session board meeting, discussed with the entire Board, voted on and presented to the General Manager in the regular session.