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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

The State Public Charter School Authority will conduct a public meeting on July 29, 2022, beginning at 9:00 am., at the following location:

Nevada Department of Education  
First Floor Board Room  
2080 East Flamingo Road  
Las Vegas, Nevada 89119

Members of the public may also view the meeting online via the link on the SPCSA Public Notice web page: [http://charterschools.nv.gov/News/Public\\_Notices/](http://charterschools.nv.gov/News/Public_Notices/).

This public meeting will be conducted in accordance with Nevada's Open Meeting Law, NRS 241.020.

Public Comment: Time for public comment will be provided at the beginning of the meeting regarding any agenda items on which action may be taken by the public body and again before the adjournment of the meeting on any matter within the jurisdiction of the State Public Charter School Authority. See NRS 241.020(2)(d)(3)(I). In addition to these two (2) public comment periods, public comment may also be taken during specific agenda items as noted on the agenda or at the discretion of the Authority Chair.

Public comment may also be provided telephonically by utilizing the following conference call line: 1-312-584-2401; extension 3952176#.

Finally, public comment may also be submitted in writing via email at [publiccomment@spsca.nv.gov](mailto:publiccomment@spsca.nv.gov), and any such public comment received prior to or during the meeting will be provided to the Authority and included in the written minutes of the meeting.

A time limit of three (3) minutes, subject to the discretion of the Authority Chair, will be imposed on public comments in order to afford all members of the public who wish to comment an opportunity to do so within the timeframe available to the Authority. Public comment will not be restricted based on viewpoint.

The Authority reserves the right to take agenda items out of order, items may be removed or delayed from the agenda at any time, and two or more items may be combined for consideration.

The Authority is pleased to make reasonable accommodations for any member of the public who has a disability and wishes to attend the meeting. If special arrangements for the meeting are necessary, please notify the Authority, in writing, at 2080 East Flamingo Road, Suite 230, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119; via email at [jennifer.king@spsca.nv.gov](mailto:jennifer.king@spsca.nv.gov); via phone at 702-486-8895.

## AGENDA

- 1) Call to Order, Roll Call, and Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2) Public Comment #1.  
*Public Comment will be taken during this agenda item regarding any item appearing on the agenda. No action may be taken on a matter discussed under this item until the matter is included on an agenda as an item on which action may be taken. See NRS 241.020. A time limit of three (3) minutes, subject to the discretion of the Chair, will be imposed on public comments. The Authority Chair may allow additional public comment at her discretion. Public Comment #2 will provide an opportunity for public comment on any matter not on the agenda.*
- 3) Approval of June 27, 2022 SPCSA Board Meeting Action Minutes. The Authority will review and possibly approve the action minutes from the June 27, 2022 Authority Board meeting.  
Melissa Mackedon, Chair. ***For Possible Action.***
- 4) SPCSA Executive Director’s Report. Executive Director Feiden will provide the Authority with information and updates regarding the following:
  - a. Initiatives Related to Serving All Students Equitably
  - b. Language Access Plan pursuant to Senate Bill 318 (2021)
  - c. Legislative Session: Interim Committees and Planning
  - d. Elko Institute of Academic Achievement New Facility for 2023-24 School Year
  - e. Doral Academy of Northern Nevada New Campus for 2023-24 School Year
  - f. Initial Action Steps in Response to 2021-22 Sponsor Survey Results
  - g. New School Application Process
  - h. 2022-23 School Year Site EvaluationsRebecca Feiden, Executive Director. ***Information/Discussion.***
- 5) Update on approved new charter schools for Fall 2022. SPCSA staff and school representatives will provide updates regarding new charter schools approved to open in the Fall of 2022. The Authority may approve the plans or information included in the conditional approval, if applicable, or take other action:
  - a. Battle Born Academy
  - b. PilotED – Cactus Park Elementary
  - c. Sage Collegiate
  - d. Strong Start Academy
  - e. Young Women’s Leadership AcademyRebecca Feiden, Executive Director; Mark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing. ***For Possible Action.***
- 6) Update on approved new charter school campuses for Fall 2022. SPCSA staff and school representatives will provide updates regarding new charter school campuses approved to open in the Fall of 2022. The Authority may approve the plans or information included in the conditional approval, if applicable, or take other action:
  - a. Coral Academy of Science Las Vegas – Cadence Campus
  - b. Pinecrest Academy VirtualRebecca Feiden, Executive Director; Mark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing. ***For Possible Action.***
- 7) Charter School Contract Amendment Applications. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with recommendations related to charter school contract amendment applications, and the Authority may approve or deny the following charter school contract amendment applications:
  - a. Nevada Virtual Academy – relocation beginning in the 2022 – 23 school year
  - b. Young Women’s Leadership Academy – temporary location for the beginning of the 2022 – 23 school yearMark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing. ***For Possible Action.***

- 8) Nevada Connections Academy. SPCSA staff and school representatives will provide an update regarding Nevada Connections Academy and the progress related to the 3-year charter school contract for their high school that commenced on July 1, 2020.  
Rebecca Feiden, Executive Director; Mark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing. ***Information/Discussion.***
- 9) COVID-19 Plan for the Safe Return to In-Person Instruction. SPCSA staff will provide an update regarding the ongoing impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and present proposed changes to the SPCSA’s Local Plan for the Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services pursuant to Section 2001(i) of the American Rescue Plan.  
Rebecca Feiden, Executive Director. ***For Possible Action.***
- 10) Charter School Renewal Process. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with an overview of the charter school renewal process.  
Mark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing. ***Information/Discussion.***
- 11) Long-Range Calendar. The Board will review and discuss its long-range calendar. The next meeting of the SPCSA Board will be held on August 29, 2022.  
Rebecca Feiden, Executive Director. ***Information/Discussion.***
- 12) Public Comment #2.  
*Public comment will be taken during this agenda item on any matter not on the agenda. See NRS 241.020(d)(3). No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter is included on an agenda as an item on which action may be taken. A time limit of three (3) minutes, subject to the discretion of the Chair, will be imposed on public comments. The Authority Chair may allow additional public comment at her discretion.*
- 13) Adjournment.

Supporting materials for items listed on the above-referenced agenda are available, at no charge, at the State Public Charter School Authority's website, <http://charterschools.nv.gov/>, or by contacting Jennifer King, Board Secretary, at 2080 East Flamingo Road, Suite 230, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119; via email at [jennifer.king@spcsa.nv.gov](mailto:jennifer.king@spcsa.nv.gov), or via phone at 702-486-8895.

In accordance with Nevada's Open Meeting Law, this public notice and agenda has been posted on or before July 22, 2022 as follows:

At the State Public Charter School Authority's website, <http://charterschools.nv.gov/>, and  
At the State of Nevada's official website, <https://notice.nv.gov/>.


At the following locations:

The State Public Charter School Authority, 2080 East Flamingo, First Floor Board Room and Suite 230, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119; and  
The State Public Charter School Authority, located at 1749 North Stewart Street, Suite 40, Carson City, Nevada 89706.

**DECLARATION OF POSTING**

Pursuant to NRS 53.045, I declare under penalty of perjury that the following is true and correct:

That on or before July 25, 2022, this Public Notice and Agenda was posted at the above-referenced websites and locations.

  
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State Public Charter School Authority