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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The State Public Charter School Authority will conduct a public meeting on May 19, 2023, 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: https://charterschools.nv.gov/News/Public_Notices/ or by using this link to access the Livestream directly: <https://bit.ly/SPCSABoardMeetingLivestream> (*please note this link is case sensitive*).

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, 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 E. Flamingo Rd, Ste 230, Las Vegas, NV 89119; via email at 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 April 14, 2023 SPCSA Board Meeting Action Minutes. The Authority will review and possibly approve the action minutes from the April 14, 2023 Authority Board meeting.
Melissa Mackedon, Chair. ***For Possible Action.***
- 4) SPCSA Charter School Governing Body Governance Standards. A member of the Authority will briefly discuss the Governance Standards recently adopted by the Authority pursuant to Assembly Bill 419 (2021).
Melissa Mackedon, Chair. ***Information/Discussion.***
- 5) SPCSA Executive Director's Report. Executive Director Feiden will provide the Authority with information and updates regarding the following:
 - a. Legislative Update
 - b. New Charter School Applications
 - c. Federal Grants Administered by the SPCSA
 - d. Purple Star Schools: Legacy Traditional School's Cadence Campus, Somerset Academy's Aliante Campus, and Coral Academy of Science Las Vegas Nellis and Centennial Hill CampusesRebecca Feiden, Executive Director. ***Information/Discussion.***
- 6) Girls Empowerment Middle School (GEMS).
 - a. School representatives will provide the Authority with an update and information regarding any recent actions by the GEMS governing body and the potential closure of GEMS charter school at the end of the 2022-2023 school year, and SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with SPCSA's staff's recommendation related to the possible acceptance of the surrender of the GEMS Charter School Contract and the potential closure of the charter school at the end of the 2022-2023 school year.
 - b. School representatives will provide the Authority with information and SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with its recommendation related to the potential appointment and approval of an administrator of the charter school to act as a trustee during the process of the closure of the charter school pursuant to NRS 388A.306(1)(b).
 - c. School representatives will provide the Authority with information and SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with its recommendation related to the school's proposed closure plan pursuant to NRS 388A.306(1)(c).Rebecca Feiden, Executive Director; Mark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing; Ryan Herrick, General Counsel. ***For Possible Action.***
- 7) New Schools Updates. SPCSA staff and school representatives will provide updates regarding certain new charter schools approved to open in the Fall of 2023.
 - a. Eagle Charter Schools of Nevada
 - b. Pinecrest Academy – Springs Campus
 - c. Rooted School – Clark County
 - d. Southern Nevada Trades High SchoolMark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing. ***For Possible Action.***

8) 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. Elko Institute for Academic Achievement: approval of permanent facility
- b. Beacon Academy of Nevada: enrollment expansion within approved grade levels

Mark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing; Danny Peltier, Management Analyst III. ***For Possible Action.***

9) Financial Performance Review and Recommendations for the 2021-22 School Year. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with school-level results and recommendations regarding financial performance for the 2021-22 school year, including issuing Notices of Concern.

- a. 2021-22 SPCSA Financial Performance Framework Ratings
 - i. Democracy Prep
 - ii. Nevada Prep
- b. Issue Notices of Concern
 - i. Democracy Prep
 - ii. Nevada Prep

Mark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing. Mike Dang, Finance and Organizational Manager. ***For Possible Action.***

10) SPCSA Revolving Loan Applications. SPCSA Staff will provide the Authority with SPCSA staff's recommendations regarding the revolving loan applications submitted by SPCSA-sponsored charter schools and the Authority may approve or deny the following revolving loan applicants:

- a. Battle Born Academy
- b. Southern Nevada Trades High School

Mark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing. ***For Possible Action.***

11) Long-Range Calendar. The Board will review and discuss its long-range calendar.

Melissa Mackedon, Chair. ***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@spsca.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 May 12, 2023 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 May 12, 2023, this Public Notice and Agenda was posted at the above-referenced websites and locations.



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