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**BRIEFING MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** SPCSA Board  
**FROM:** Patrick Gavin  
**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item 8—Executive Director’s Report  
**DATE:** September 23, 2016

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There are several key items of which the Authority should be aware, including:

Budget Submission:

- Budget was submitted on time; staff are responding to initial requests from the Governor’s Office of Finance
- The Agency’s Budget Request Presentation to Finance, the Governor’s Office, and LCB representatives will occur on Friday, September 30, 2016

Regulations:

- LCB has just concluded reviewing one of our three regulations (regarding the loan account); two others should be returned shortly
- NRS 233B requires that the draft regulations be posted 30 days prior to the public hearing. Given that the next Authority meeting is October 19, this raises concerns about the timeline between a potential November Authority hearing and final review and revision by LCB in time for the December Legislative Commission (date TBD).

NACSA Attendees:

- Chair Johnson, Vice Chair Mackedon, and Member Guinasso will be attending on behalf of the Authority

### Staffing Update:

- Kathleen Robson, who oversaw federal programs, has taken a job closer to home at her children's school; initial interviews for her replacement took place this week. In the interim, her duties have been divided among other staff.
- Both Brian Scroggins and Jessica Hoban are participating in the state's [Certified Public Manager](#) program. Jessica is participating in the Carson City class; Brian is in the Las Vegas class.

### Summer Cycle Applications:

- Marzano Academy has requested their application be withdrawn and receive no further consideration
- Vector Academy was left off of the list due to an inadvertent oversight

### Positive Press:

- An SPCSA charter school implementing the federal pre-K program was recently [featured](#) in the Review Journal. Authority staff member Nya Berry was interviewed and provided helpful context on the program. While not mentioned, Agency fiscal staff have also been a critical part of moving this program forward at both SPCSA and district-sponsored schools, as discussed in June during Nya's presentation before the Authority regarding the Pre-K Memorandum of Understanding.