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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The State Public Charter School Authority will conduct a public meeting on March 6, 2020, beginning at 9:00 a.m., at the following locations:

Nevada Department of Education *and*
700 East 5th Street
Board Room
Carson City, Nevada

Nevada Department of Education
2080 East Flamingo
1st Floor Board Room
Las Vegas, Nevada

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

Members of the public are invited to attend at either location. 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/. Participation from either location via videoconferencing is also available to members of the public.

Public Comment: Multiple periods of public comment will be provided. Time for public comment related to each agenda item is provided during each agenda item following any discussion by the Authority and before any action is taken (if any), as well as prior to adjournment of the meeting. NRS 241.020(2)(d)(3)(II). Individuals wishing to provide public comment should fill out a Visitor Card. 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 cannot be restricted based on viewpoint.

Alternatively, public comment may be submitted in writing at publiccomment@spsca.nv.gov, and any such public comment received prior to the meeting will be provided to the Authority and included in the written minutes of the meeting.

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. Board Members and Staff of the Authority may participate via telephone conference call.

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 1749 North Stewart Street Suite 40, Carson City, Nevada 89706; via email at dpeltier@spsca.nv.gov; or call 775-687-9178.

AGENDA

- 1) Call to Order, Roll Call, and Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2) Approval of January 31, 2020 SPCSA Board Meeting Action Minutes. The Authority will review and possibly approve the action minutes from the January 31, 2020 Authority Board meeting. Melissa Mackedon, Chair (*along with any public comment related to this agenda item*). **For Possible Action.**
- 3) SPCSA Executive Director’s Report. Executive Director Feiden will provide the Authority with information and updates regarding the following:
 - a. Introduction to new Board Members
 - b. SPCSA Staffing Update
 - c. 2020 Winter Cycle New Charter School Applications Update
 - d. Update on the transition of former ASD schools to the SPCSA
 - e. Update on new schools and expansions for Fall 2020
 - f. Regulatory Update (Senate Bill 441 (2019))
 - g. SPCSA process for responding to stakeholder concerns
 - h. Update regarding schools under Academic Notice of Concern
 - i. Update on implementation of the SPCSA Performance FrameworkRebecca Feiden, Executive Director (*along with any public comment related to this agenda item*). **Information/Discussion.**
- 4) Mid-Year Report for Schools with a Notice of Breach. The following schools will provide an update to the Authority regarding the school’s progress against the school performance plan and a summary of mid-year assessment performance.
 - a. Freedom Classical Academy (Elementary School)
 - b. Legacy – North Valley (Elementary School)
 - c. Somerset – North Las Vegas (Elementary School)Mark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing (*along with any public comment related to this agenda item*). **For Possible Action.**
- 5) Schools Under Receivership or Previously Under Receivership
 - a. Argent Preparatory Academy Update. SPCSA Staff and Receiver, Josh Kern, will provide the Authority Board with an update regarding the receivership at Argent Preparatory Academy.
 - b. Quest Academy Update. Staff and Receiver, Josh Kern, will provide the Authority Board with an update regarding the receivership at Quest Academy.
 - c. Discovery Charter School Update. SPCSA Staff will provide the Authority Board with an update regarding the transition from receivership to a fully constituted board.Rebecca Feiden, Executive Director; Mark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing. **Information/Discussion.** (*along with any public comment related to this agenda item*). **Information/Discussion.**
- 6) Beacon Academy of Nevada. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority Board with information regarding Beacon Academy’s performance under the Alternative Performance Framework. Mark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing (*along with any public comment related to this agenda item*). **Information/Discussion.**

- 7) Pinecrest Academy of Northern Nevada. SPCSA Staff and school representatives will provide the Authority with information and an update regarding the authority's recent conditional approval of Pinecrest Academy of Northern Nevada's charter school application (opening for the 2020-2021 school year), and the Authority may approve any of the plans or information included in the conditional approval. Rebecca Feiden, Executive Director; Jake Wiskerchen, Board Chair, Pinecrest Academy of Northern Nevada (*along with any public comment related to this agenda item*). **For Possible Action.**
- 8) Resubmitted New Charter School Applications. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with recommendations related to resubmitted new charter school applications from the 2019 Summer Application Cycle, and the Authority may approve (or conditionally approve) or deny the following resubmitted charter school applications.
 - a. Alaka'i Heritage Academy (Clark County; proposed grades kindergarten through 8)
 - b. Nevada Strong Academy (Clark County; proposed grades kindergarten through 10)
 - c. Sage Collegiate Public Charter School (Clark County; proposed grades kindergarten through 8)
 - d. Pahrump Valley Academy (Nye County; proposed grades kindergarten through 8)Rebecca Feiden, Executive Director; Mark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing (*note that public comment will be taken during each new charter school application*). **For Possible Action.**
- 9) Explore Academy Charter School Contract Amendment Application. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with SPCSA staff's recommendation related to Explore Academy's charter school contract amendment application (temporary location for first year of operation). Mike Dang, Financial and Organizational Manager (*along with any public comment related to this agenda item*). **For Possible Action.**
- 10) Growth Management Plan Feedback from the Legislative Committee on Education. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with information and updates regarding the feedback from the Legislative Committee on Education regarding the Growth Management Plan which was approved by the Authority on December 13, 2019. Rebecca Feiden, Executive Director (*along with any public comment related to this agenda item*). **For Possible Action.**
- 11) Biennial Review of Statutes and Regulations. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with information about recommendations to the Legislative Committee on Education concerning any legislation that would assist charter schools in achieving their academic, fiscal and organizational goals and information about recommendations to the State Board and the Department concerning any changes to regulations that would assist charter schools in achieving their academic, fiscal and organizational goals. Pursuant to NRS 388A.171(1). Rebecca Feiden, Executive Director (*along with any public comment related to this agenda item*). **Information/Discussion.**
- 12) Revisions to New Charter School Application. SPCSA Staff will provide information to the Authority regarding revisions to the SPCSA New Charter School Application including aligning to the Academic and Demographic Needs Assessment, to go into effect for the Summer 2020 Application Cycle. Mark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing (*along with any public comment related to this agenda item*). **Information/Discussion.**
- 13) Long-Range Calendar. The Board will review and discuss its long-range calendar. Rebecca Feiden, Executive Director (*along with any public comment related to this agenda item*). **Information/Discussion.**
- 14) Public Comment.
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.
- 15) Adjournment.

Supporting materials for items listed on the above-referenced agenda are available, at no charge, at the meeting locations, or by contacting Danny Peltier, Board Secretary, 1749 North Stewart Street, Suite 40, Carson City, Nevada 89706; or by phone at (775) 687-9178.

In accordance with NRS 241.020, this public notice and agenda has been posted at the following locations, on or before February 28, 2020, and is also available at the State Public Charter School Authority's website at <http://charterschools.nv.gov/> and the State of Nevada's official website, <https://notice.nv.gov/>:

The principal office of the State Public Charter School Authority, located at 1749 North Stewart Street, Suite 40, Carson City, Nevada 89706;

The State Public Charter School Authority, 2080 East Flamingo, First Floor, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119;

State of Nevada, Department of Education, 700 East Fifth Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701;

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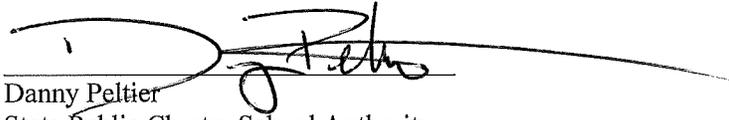
Nevada State Library and Archives, 100 North Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701;

Carson City Library, 900 North Roop Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701.

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 2/28/, 2020, this Public Notice and Agenda was posted at the above-referenced locations, and websites.



Danny Peltier
State Public Charter School Authority