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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The State Public Charter School Authority will conduct a public meeting on January 22, 2021, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

This public meeting will be conducted in accordance with Nevada's Open Meeting Law, NRS 241.020, and pursuant to Governor Sisolak's Emergency Directives related to COVID-19 the State Public Charter School Authority's Board meeting will be held virtually.

Members of the public may view the meeting online via the link on the SPCSA Public Notice web page: http://charterschools.nv.gov/News/Public_Notices/.

Public Comment: Time for public comment will be provided at the beginning of the meeting before any items on which action may be taken are heard by the public body and again before the adjournment of the meeting. *See* NRS 241.020(2)(d)(3)(I). 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.

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. Alternatively, public comment can be provided telephonically during the SPCSA's Board meeting by utilizing the following conference call line: 1-312-584-2401; extension 3952176#.

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 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 and 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 December 4, 2020 and December 11, 2020 Board Meeting Action Minutes. The Authority will review and possibly approve the board meeting action minutes from the December 4, 2020 and December 11, 2020 Authority Board meetings.
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. COVID-19 In-Person Learning Guidance update
 - b. COVID-19 Vaccine update
 - c. Initiatives related to *Serving All Students Equitably*, including preliminary data regarding educator demographics
 - d. The Nevada Department of Education’s Proposed COVID-19 State Plan Addendum to Nevada’s ESEA Consolidated State Plan for the 2020-2021 School Year
 - e. Explore Academy Facility Update
 - f. Update on 2020 – 2021 Site EvaluationsRebecca Feiden, Executive Director; Mark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing. ***For Possible Action.***
- 5) State Public Charter School Authority Financial Performance Framework Recommendations. SPCSA staff will present the Board with the Financial Performance Framework ratings for the 2019-20 school year, including recommendation regarding the issuance of Notices of Concern, taking no action, or other action as directed by the Authority. SPCSA staff is recommending Notices of Concern be issued or other action to the following charter schools:
 - a. Discovery Charter School
 - b. Nevada Virtual Academy
 - c. Quest Preparatory Academy
 - d. Doral Academy of Northern Nevada
 - e. Honors Academy of Literature
 - f. Legacy Traditional Schools
 - g. Signature Preparatory AcademyMark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing; Mike Dang, Finance and Organizational Manager. ***For Possible Action.***
- 6) Charter School Contract Amendment Applications. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with SPCSA staff’s recommendations related to charter school contract amendment applications, and the Authority may approve or deny the following charter school contract applicants:
 - a. Mater Academy of Northern Nevada – expansion/addition of a new campus
 - b. Sports Leadership and Management Academy – enrollment amendment, addition of grade levels (proposing to add kindergarten through fifth grades).
 - c. Las Vegas Collegiate – facility and enrollment amendmentRebecca Feiden, Executive Director; Mark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing; Mike Dang, Finance and Organizational Manager. ***For Possible Action.***

- 7) 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. Pioneer Technology & Art Academy Nevada
 - b. Eagle Charter Schools of NevadaRebecca Feiden, Executive Director; Mark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing. ***For Possible Action.***
- 8) SPCSA Annual Review and Overview of SPCSA-Sponsored Public Charter Schools. SPCSA Staff will provide the Authority with the SPCSA’s Annual Report regarding SPCSA-sponsored public charter schools. Information will include a summary of Nevada’s Department of Education’s Nevada School Performance Framework (NSPF) results, graduation rates, and demographic information as compared to statewide and school district information. Rebecca Feiden, Executive Director. ***Information/Discussion.***
- 9) 2021 Academic and Demographic Needs Assessment. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority Board with an update regarding the 2021 Academic and Demographic Needs Assessment. The Authority Board will consider approval of an updated Academic and Demographic Needs Assessment pursuant to NRS 388A.220. Rebecca Feiden, Executive Director. ***For Possible Action.***
- 10) State Public Charter School Authority Pre-Opening Process. SPCSA staff will provide information regarding the State Public Charter School Authority Pre-Opening Process. Brian Scroggins, Deputy Director. ***Information/Discussion.***
- 11) Annual Report to Nevada’s Department of Education. SPCSA Staff will provide the Authority with information regarding, and the Authority may approve, the annual report that charter school sponsors must submit to Nevada’s Department of Education pursuant to NRS 388A.351. Rebecca Feiden, Executive Director; Mark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing. ***For Possible Action.***
- 12) 2021 Legislative Update. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with an update regarding charter school and education bills related to the 2021 Legislative Session. Rebecca Feiden, Executive Director. ***Information/Discussion.***
- 13) Long-Range Calendar. The Board will review and discuss its long-range calendar. Rebecca Feiden, Executive Director. ***Information/Discussion.***
- 14) 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.
- 15) 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 Danny Peltier, Board Secretary, 1749 North Stewart Street, Suite 40, Carson City, Nevada 89706; or by phone at (775) 687-9178.

In accordance with Governor Sisolak’s Emergency Directives regarding COVID-19 and Nevada’s Open Meeting Law, this public notice and agenda has been posted on or before January 15, 2021 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/>.

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 January 15, 2021, this Public Notice and Agenda was posted at the above-referenced websites.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Peltier", written over a horizontal line.

Danny Peltier
State Public Charter School Authority