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**ACTION MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** SPCSA Board  
**FROM:** Melissa Mackedon, Executive Director  
Katie Broughton, Director of Authorizing  
**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item 6a: Notices of Concern issued to 2-star schools on November 3, 2023  
**DATE:** December 8, 2023

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As the Authority is aware, the Nevada Department of Education recently released the Nevada School Performance Framework (NSPF) results for the 2022-2023 school year. All public schools in the state of Nevada are issued a star rating when all data points are available.

Additionally, all SPCSA-sponsored charter schools are evaluated on the SPCSA Academic Performance Framework (Framework), pursuant to NRS 388A.273. The Framework provides additional metrics for charter school academic achievement and proficiency, including academic growth; disparities in academic achievement and proficiency; and graduation rates, as well as college and career readiness, when applicable.

Any school(s) demonstrating underperformance that has the potential to trigger revocation proceedings in the next 3-5 years should academic performance not improve should be issued a formal Notice to ensure the school and its governing board are aware of the concerns (NRS 388A.300 and 388A.330). Underperformance is defined by NAC 388A.350 as any school receiving a rating below 3 stars in the NSPF or schools that have not consistently complied with the SPCSA Academic Performance Framework. As a reminder, the Authority has three levels of intervention when schools do not meet academic standards. These levels are as follows:

- Notice of Concern
- Notice of Breach
- Notice of Intent to Terminate

CIVICA Academy Elementary and Middle School, Nevada Virtual Charter School Middle School, and Pinecrest Academy of Nevada Virtual Middle School were issued Notices of Concern at the November 3, 2023, meeting based upon their academic performance, which is summarized below.

Because of the ongoing impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and growth data concerns, SPCSA staff recommends the Authority Board reconsider these Notices. The SPCSA staff will continue to monitor the academic goals the schools shared with the Board and progress reports will be provided.

	2018-2019 Index Score	2018-2019 Star Rating	2021-2022 Index Score	2021-2022 Framework	2022-2023 Index Score	2022-2023 Star Rating	2022-2023 Framework
CIVICA Academy ES	School Not Open		26.5	27.9— Does Not Meet Standard	27.5	2	32.5— Does Not Meet Standard
CIVICA Academy MS			54.6	66.7— Does Not Meet Standard	35.0	2	32.5— Does Not Meet Standard
Nevada Virtual Charter School MS	61.5	3	42.0	37.2— Does Not Meet Standard	33.0	2	30.8— Does Not Meet Standard
Pinecrest Academy of Nevada Virtual MS	School Not Open				32.7	2	29.6— Does Not Meet Standard

**Proposed Motion:** Rescind the Notice of Concern that was issued to CIVICIA Academy Elementary and Middle School, Nevada Virtual Charter Middle School, and Pinecrest Academy of Nevada Virtual Middle School on November 3, 2023, and return the schools to good standing.