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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

The State Public Charter School Authority will conduct a public meeting on July 26, 2024, beginning at 9:00 a.m., 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/](https://charterschools.nv.gov/News/Public_Notices/) or by using this link to access the Livestream directly: <https://bit.ly/SPCSABoardMeetingLivestream> (please note the 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 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@spcsa.nv.gov](mailto:publiccomment@spcsa.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 East Flamingo Road, Suite 230, Las Vegas, NV 89119; via email at tpotter@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 Consent Agenda
  - a. June 21, 2024, SPCSA Board Meeting Action Minutes.
  - b. Approval of Transportation Plan for:
    - i. Thrive Point Academy of Nevada
    - ii. Equipo Academy
  - c. Amendment to Charter Contract
    - i. Young Women’s Leadership Academy – Request to Eliminate Grade Levels for the 2024 – 25 School Year

Kurt Thigpen, Vice Chair. ***For Possible Action.***
4. SPCSA Charter School Governing Body Governance Standards. A member of the Authority will briefly discuss the Governance Standards adopted by the Authority pursuant to Assembly Bill 419 (2021).  
Kurt Thigpen, Vice Chair. ***Information/Discussion.***
5. State Public Charter School Authority Performance Framework Revisions. SPCSA staff and WestEd will provide recommendations regarding revisions to the Academic Performance Framework, Financial Performance Framework, and Organizational Performance Framework.  
Melissa Mackedon, Executive Director. ***For Possible Action.***
6. SPCSA Executive Director’s Report. Executive Director Mackedon will provide the Authority with information and updates regarding the following:
  - a. Introduce new board members
  - b. School Highlight
  - c. Delinquent schools PERS contributions
  - d. Exceptional Enrollment and Growth Audit results
  - e. Update on Student Representative on the SPCSA board

Melissa Mackedon, Executive Director. ***Information and Discussion.***
7. Beacon Academy of Nevada. Beacon Academy school leaders and board members will provide the Authority with an update on the implementation of their alternative school model as well as available data, including available measures under the Alternative Performance Framework.  
Katie Broughton, Director of Authorizing. ***Information and Discussion.***
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 amendment applications based on NRS 388A.276 and NRS 388A.279.

- a. Request for enrollment cap increase
  - i. Pinecrest Academy of Nevada – Sloan Campus
  - ii. Pinecrest Academy of Nevada – Cadence Campus
- b. Request to contract with EMO
  - i. Oasis Academy
- c. Request to occupy a temporary facility
  - i. Do & Be Arts Academy of Excellence

Katie Broughton, Director of Authorizing; Danny Peltier, Management Analyst III. ***For Possible Action.***

9. New Schools Updates. SPCSA staff and school representatives will provide updates regarding new charter schools that are slated to open in the 2024-25 school year, including possible deferment.
- a. Thrive Point Academy of Nevada
  - b. Do & Be Arts Academy of Excellence
  - c. Rooted School Las Vegas
  - d. Vegas Vista Academy

Melissa Mackedon, Executive Director. ***For Possible Action.***

10. Charter School Application Process. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with a training of the charter school application process as required by NRS 388A.155(2).
- Katie Broughton, Director of Authorizing; Danny Peltier, Management Analyst III. ***Information and Discussion.***

11. Project AWARE Grant and MTSS Report. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with information regarding the programs offered under the SPCSA’s Project AWARE Grant and MTSS supports offered to schools.
- Marinna Cutler, Director of School Support. ***Information and Discussion.***

12. Charter Application Window. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with an overview of the Charter Application Window and some potential alternatives.
- Katie Broughton, Director of Authorizing; Danny Peltier, Management Analyst III. ***For Possible Action.***

13. Report on Site Evaluations. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with an update regarding Site Evaluations conducted during the 2023 – 2024 school year.
- Katie Broughton, Director of Authorizing, Selcuk Ozdemir, Education Programs Supervisor; Karen Gordon, Education Programs Professional; Denise Shaw, Education Programs Professional. ***Information and Discussion.***

14. Long-Range Calendar. The Board will review and discuss its long-range calendar and proposed Board Meeting dates for the 2025 calendar year.
- Melissa Mackedon, Executive Director. ***Information and Discussion.***

15. 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.*

16. Adjournment.

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In accordance with Nevada’s Open Meeting Law, this public notice and agenda has been posted on or before July 19, 2024, 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 7/22/2024, this Public Notice and Agenda was posted at the above-referenced websites and locations.

*Teresa Potter*  
State Public Charter School Authority