



## NEVADA STATE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORITY

August 2-3, 2024  
9:00AM

The State Public Charter School Authority board hearing was conducted in-person and virtually.

### MINUTES OF MEETING

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT IN-PERSON**

Chair Dr. Tonia Holmes-Sutton  
Vice Chair Kurt Thigpen  
Member Dr. Jackson Olsen  
Member Tamika Shauntee Rosales

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VIRTUALLY**

Member Victor Salcido  
Member Ty Whitaker  
Member Courtney Stern  
Member Dr. Ivet Aldaba (not present on 8/3)  
Member Lee Farris

#### **AUTHORITY STAFF PRESENT & VIRTUAL**

Melissa Mackedon, Executive Director  
Samantha King Powell, Esq., General Counsel

#### **EAGLE ATTENDANCE IN-PERSON**

Kara Hendricks, Esq.      Jai Mallory  
Monica Johnson

#### **STATE WITNESSES**

Dr. Megan Griffard  
Melissa Mackedon

#### **EAGLE CHARTER SCHOOL WITNESSES**

Jose Herrera  
Jai Mallory  
Monica Johnson  
Brent Pace  
Callie Hatch

#### **ATTENDANCE IN-PERSON**

Muzi Naim  
Mike Glauser  
Tom Nichols  
Marinna Cutler, SPCSA, School Support Deputy Director  
Jose Herrera

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**Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order and Roll Call**

Tonia Holmes-Sutton, Chair of the State Public Charter School Authority (SPCSA), called the meeting to order at 9:17 am on August 2, 2024, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Agenda Item 2 – Public Comment #1**

Comments in support of Eagle Charter School: Kara Hendricks for Burke Williams; Tom Nichols, Muzi Naim, Breale Anderson; Callie Hatch; Brandy Alexander

**Agenda Item 3 –**

The Board considered the following:

- I. Whether Eagle has failed to comply with generally accepted standards of fiscal management;<sup>1</sup>
- II. Whether Eagle would otherwise be financially impaired such that the charter school cannot continue to operate;<sup>2</sup>
- III. Whether Eagle has failed to comply with any provision of NRS 388A, or any other statute or regulation applicable to charter schools.<sup>3</sup>

**Motion on Agenda Item 3I:** Vice Chair Thigpen moved to find that in the matter of SPCSA vs. Eagle Charter School that factual allegations that Eagle Charter School has failed to comply with generally accepted standards of fiscal management has been proven. Member Stern seconded the motion.

Board Vote: Chair Holmes-Sutton: Yes; Vice Chair Thigpen: Yes; Member Olsen: Yes; Member Farris: Yes; Member Salcido: Yes; Member Shauntee Rosales: Yes; Member Stern: Yes; Member Whitaker: Yes

The motion carried unanimously.

**Motion was approved.**

**Motion on Agenda Item 3II:** Vice Chair Thigpen moved that in the matter of SPCSA vs. Eagle Charter School that factual allegations regarding whether Eagle Charter School would otherwise be financially impaired such that the school charter cannot continue to operate should the SPCSA Board vote to allow Eagle to retain its charter. Member Farris seconded the motion.

Board Vote: Chair Holmes-Sutton: Yes; Vice Chair Thigpen: Yes; Member Olsen: Yes; Member Farris: Yes; Member Salcido: Yes; Member Shauntee Rosales: Yes; Member Stern: Yes; Member Whitaker: Yes

The motion carried unanimously.

**Motion was approved.**

**Motion on Agenda Item 3III:** Vice Chair Thigpen moved that in the matter of SPCSA vs. Eagle Charter School that factual allegations whether Eagle has failed to comply with any provision of NRS 388A, or any other statute or regulation applicable to charter schools has been proven factual. Member Shauntee Rosales seconded the motion.

Board Vote: Chair Holmes-Sutton: Yes; Vice Chair Thigpen: Yes; Member Olsen: Yes; Member Farris: Yes; Member Salcido: Yes; Member Shauntee Rosales: Yes; Member Stern: Yes; Member Whitaker: Yes

The motion carried unanimously.

**Motion was approved.**

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<sup>1</sup> NRS 388A.330 (1)(a)(2)

<sup>2</sup> NRS 388A.330 (1)(b)

<sup>3</sup> NRS 388A.330 (1)(a)(3), specifically NAC 387.730.

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The SPCSA Board voted on the Notice of Termination cure items for a finding of fact:

- 1) Vice Chair Thigpen moved to approve the finding of facts that the SPCSA Board finds that Eagle Charter School did not provide a balanced budget, including all corrections listed in Table 2, employment of a full-time, on-staff mental health professional, a registrar or office manager, and a COO salary at least as high as the principal's salary. Member Olsen seconded the motion.  
Board Vote: Chair Holmes-Sutton: Yes; Vice Chair Thigpen: Yes; Member Farris: Yes; Member Olsen: Yes; Member Salcido: Yes; Member Shauntee Rosales: Yes; Member Stern: Yes; Member Whitaker: Yes  
The motion carried unanimously.  
**Motion was approved.**
- 2) Member Farris moved to approve the finding of facts that the SPCSA Board finds that Eagle Charter School did not provide the SPCSA an Accurate 12-month Cash Flow Sheet. Member Whitaker seconded the motion.  
Board Vote: Chair Holmes-Sutton: Yes; Vice Chair Thigpen: Yes; Member Farris: Yes; Member Olsen: Yes; Member Salcido: Yes; Member Shauntee Rosales: Yes; Member Stern: Yes; Member Whitaker: Yes  
The motion carried unanimously.  
**Motion was approved.**
- 3) Member Salcido moved to approve the finding of facts that the SPCSA Board finds Eagle Charter School did Reconstitute their Board Per NRS 388A.320. Member Farris seconded the motion.  
Board Vote: Chair Holmes-Sutton: No; Vice Chair Thigpen: No; Member Farris: Yes; Member Olsen: Yes; Member Salcido: Yes; Member Shauntee Rosales: Yes; Member Stern: No; Member Whitaker: Yes  
The motion carried with 5 Yes/3 No  
**Motion was approved.**
- 4) Member Salcido moved to approve the finding of facts that the SPCSA Board finds that Eagle Charter School did provide corrections to the New School Application Financial Plan (NSAFP) per the attached table. Member Farris seconded the motion.  
Board Vote: Chair Holmes-Sutton: Yes; Vice Chair Thigpen: No; Member Farris: Yes; Member Olsen: Yes; Member Salcido: Yes; Member Shauntee Rosales: Yes; Member Stern: Yes; Member Whitaker: Yes  
The motion carried with 7 Yes/1 No  
**Motion was approved.**
- 5) State: Cure item #5 is not under consideration since it was removed from the budget.
- 6) Member Salcido move to in the matter of SPCSA Board vs. Eagle Charter School as a finding of facts that Eagle Charter School did provide evidence of a loan. Member Olsen seconded the motion.  
Board Vote: Chair Holmes-Sutton: Yes; Vice Chair Thigpen: Yes; Member Olsen: Yes; Member Farris: Yes; Member Salcido: Yes; Member Shauntee Rosales: Yes; Member Stern: Yes; Member Whitaker: Yes  
The motion carried unanimously.  
**Motion was approved.**

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- 7) Vice Chair Thigpen moved to approve the finding of facts that the SPCSA Board finds that Eagle Charter School did submit copies of executed teacher contracts at the budgeted salaries. Member Salcido seconded the motion.  
Board Vote: Chair Holmes-Sutton: Yes; Vice Chair Thigpen: Yes; Member Olsen: Yes; Member Farris: Yes; Member Salcido: Yes; Member Shauntee Rosales: Yes; Member Stern: No; Member Whitaker: Yes  
Motion carries with 7 Yes/1 No  
**Motion was approved.**
- 8) Vice Chair Thigpen moved to approve the finding of facts that the SPCSA Board finds Eagle Charter School did complete outstanding Epicenter tasks. Member Salcido seconded the motion.  
Board Vote: Chair Holmes-Sutton: Yes; Vice Chair Thigpen: Yes; Member Olsen: Yes; Member Farris: Yes; Member Salcido: Yes; Member Shauntee Rosales: Yes; Member Stern: Yes; Member Whitaker: Yes  
The motion carries unanimously.  
**Motion was approved.**
- 9) Member Farris moved to approve the finding of facts that the SPCSA Board finds Eagle Charter School did not accurately submit all outstanding grant reimbursement requests for FY24, both CSP and Title. Member Stern seconded the motion.  
Board Vote: Chair Holmes-Sutton: Yes; Vice Chair Thigpen: Yes; Member Olsen: Yes; Member Farris: Yes; Member Salcido: Yes; Member Shauntee Rosales: Yes; Member Stern: Yes; Member Whitaker: Yes  
The motion carries unanimously.  
**Motion was approved.**
- 10) Member Farris moved to approve the finding of facts that the SPCSA Board finds Eagle Charter School did provide evidence of required training completion by SPCSA-approved trainers for all board members.  
Member Salcido seconded the motion.  
Board Vote: Chair Holmes-Sutton: Yes; Vice Chair Thigpen: No; Member Olsen: Yes; Member Farris: Yes; Member Salcido: Yes; Member Shauntee Rosales: Yes; Member Stern: Yes; Member Whitaker: Yes  
Motion carries with 7 Yes/1 No  
**Motion was approved.**
- 11) Vice Chair Thigpen moved to approve the finding of facts that the SPCSA Board finds Eagle Charter School did not freeze enrollment until the Notice of Termination has been resolved. Member Whitaker seconded the motion.  
Board Vote: Chair Holmes-Sutton: Yes; Vice Chair Thigpen: Yes; Member Olsen: Yes; Member Farris: No; Member Salcido: Yes; Member Shauntee Rosales: Yes; Member Stern: Yes; Member Whitaker: Yes  
Motion carries 7 Yes/1 No  
**Motion was approved.**

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12) Vice Chair Thigpen moved to approve the finding of facts that the SPCSA Board finds Eagle Charter School did attend the August 2<sup>nd</sup> SPCSA Board Meeting which carried over to August 3<sup>rd</sup>, previously scheduled for the July 26<sup>th</sup> SPCSA Board Meeting, where a final termination determination will be made based on completing these action items, which both parties agreed on the stipulation. Member Salcido seconded the motion.

Board Vote: Chair Holmes-Sutton: Yes; Vice Chair Thigpen: Yes; Member Olsen: Yes; Member Farris: Yes; Member Salcido: Yes; Member Shauntee Rosales: Yes; Member Stern: Yes; Member Whitaker: Yes

Motion carried unanimously.

**Motion was approved.**

Vice Chair Thigpen to make a motion in the matter of SPCSA vs Eagle Charter School that the three considerations have been proven factual and the consequence from the SPCSA is the immediate revocation of Eagle Charter School's Charter with the SPCSA.

Member Farris seconded the motion.

Board Vote: Chair Holmes-Sutton: Yes; Vice Chair Thigpen: Yes; Member Olsen: Yes; Member Farris: Yes; Member Salcido: Yes; Member Shauntee Rosales: Yes; Member Stern: Yes; Member Whitaker: Yes

Motion carried unanimously.

**Motion was approved.**

Per NRS388.306 the State has requested the SPCSA Board make a motion to approve an Administrator assigned to Eagle Charter School. The SPCSA Board approves the State's request to appoint Josh Kern, to act as administrator for the closing of Eagle Charter School and orders that all assets are frozen until further notice.

Vice Chair Thigpen move that the SPCSA Board approves the State's request Josh Kern as the Administrator for the closing of Eagle Charter School and to immediate freeze all financial accounts belonging to the school. Member Stern seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Motion was approved.**

Per NRS622.400 the State, as the prevailing party, requested cost and fee reimbursement that the SPCSA incurred for the Eagle Hearing, as is standard procedure in Nevada to reward to the prevailing party.

Vice Chair Thigpen move that the SPCSA table the issue of cost and attorney fees to future SPCSA Board Meeting Agenda. Member Salcido seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Motion was approved.**

**Agenda Item 4 – Public Comment #2**

No public comment online. 1 comment via email from Tyrone Henderson.

**Agenda Item 5 – Adjournment 7:58 pm on August 3, 2024.**