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ACTION MEMORANDUM

TO: SPCSA Board
FROM: Melissa Mackedon, Executive Director
Katie Broughton, Director of Authorizing
SUBJECT: Recommendations for Nevada Rise Academy Based on 2023-2024 Academic Performance
DATE: November 15, 2024

As the Authority is aware, the Nevada Department of Education recently released the Nevada School Performance Framework (NSPF) results for the 2023-2024 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

The academic performance of Nevada Rise Academy for the last two school years is provided below:

Nevada Rise Academy	2022-2023 Index Score and Star Rating	2022-2023 SPCSA Framework	2023-2024 Index Score and Star Rating	2023-2024 SPCSA Framework
Elementary School	15 1-star	20 Does Not Meet Standard	54 3-star	65.4 Meets Standard

Nevada Rise Academy was issued an academic Notice of Concern regarding its elementary school for the 2022-23 school year due to a 1-star NSPF rating and a Does Not Meet Standard rating on the SPCSA Academic Performance Framework. The elementary school has been identified as an Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) school due to the Black/African American student group performing in the lowest 5th percentile. The school will spend three years as an ATSI school and must meet certain criteria to exit. Due to the improvement in performance for the 2023-24 school year, SPCSA staff recommends that the Authority remove the Notice of Concern and return Nevada Rise Academy to good standing.

Please note that if Nevada Rise Academy receives another 1-star NSPF rating in the next two years, SPCSA staff will recommend the Authority bypass an academic Notice of Concern and issue an academic Notice of Breach due to the mandatory termination provisions outlined in [NRS 388A.300](#).

Proposed Motion: Approve the recommendation of SPCSA staff to remove the Notice of Concern for Nevada Rise Academy for academic performance for the 2023 – 2024 school year and return the school to good standing.