



NEVADA STATE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORITY

Friday, October 4, 2024
9:00AM

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

MINUTES OF MEETING

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT IN-PERSON

Chair Dr. Holmes-Sutton
Member Dr. Joiner
Member Whitaker

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VIRTUALLY

Member Haddad Bennett
Member Dr. Aldaba (joined at 9:12 am)
Member Shauntee Rosales
Member Salcido (joined at 9:07 am)
Student Representative Birru

AUTHORITY STAFF PRESENT & VIRTUAL

Melissa Mackedon, Executive Director
Samantha King Powell, Esq., General Counsel
Katie Broughton, Director of Authorizing
Alissa Troxell, Grants Analyst
John Pilotin, Education Programs Professional
Molly Burkhardt, Management Analyst II
Michael Dang, Management Analyst IV
Dr. Denise Shaw, Education Programs Professional
Kristyn Smithwick, Management Analyst I
Dr. Selcuk Ozdemir, Education Programs Supervisor
Cassandra Fox, Management Analyst

AUDIENCE IN ATTENDANCE IN-PERSON

None

PRESENTER IN ATTENDANCE VIRTUALLY

Joshua Kern

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order and Roll Call

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Dr. Holmes-Sutton, Chair of the State Public Charter School Authority (SPCSA), called the meeting to order at 9:02 am and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item 2 – Public Comment #1

No public comment.

Agenda Item 3 – Consent Agenda

- a. August 23, 2024, SPCSA Board Meeting Action Minutes

Motion on Consent Agenda 3: Member Whitaker made a motion to approve the August 23, 2024, Board Meeting Action Minutes. Member Shantee Rosales seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Motion was approved.

Agenda Item 4 – School Closure Updates. Josh Kern the appointed closing administrator for both Eagle Charter School (Eagle) and TEACH Las Vegas, presented a progress update on the school closures of both schools. Next progress report will be at the January SPCSA Board meeting. Discussion and questions ensued.

Agenda Item 5 – SPCSA Charter School Governing Body Governance Standards.

Member Whitaker discussed the Governance Standard 4, To Commit to Long-Term Success. Shared thoughts on the excellence of the SPCSA staff members. Thanked the SPCSA staff for the job they do with on-boarding of new Board members.

Agenda Item 6 – SPCSA Executive Director’s Report. Melissa Mackedon, Executive Director provided a report to the State Public Charter School Authority Board on the following:

- a. Introduced 3 new board members.
- b. School Highlight – Schools in our portfolio that made a two-star gain in the NSPF this year.
- c. Delinquent schools PERS contributions – continue monitoring PERS information via Epicenter for Nevada Prep, Equipo Academy, Explore Las Vegas, TEACH Las Vegas and Eagle Charter School.
- d. Mater Academy of Northern Nevada – will delay opening its new campus from the 2025-26 to the 2026-27 school year.
- e. Nevada School Performance Framework – Provided high level highlights.

Questions and Discussion ensued.

Agenda Item 7 – Overview of the Organizational Performance Frameworks Results. Katie Broughton, SPCSA Director of Authorizing, presented results to the SPCSA board, and explained how to handle the schools that “Did Not Meet Standards.”

SPCSA Staff did not recommend Notices at this time to those schools. The SPCSA has put supports in place to assist the schools improve their scores. SPCSA Staff also requested that the schools present the information to their Boards in a Public Meeting.

Motion on Agenda Item 7: Member Whitaker made a motion to accept the 2023-24 Organizational Performance Framework results as presented and delegate to SPCSA Staff the authority to provide final results to governing boards of each charter holder in the coming weeks. Also, direct each charter school who has been reported as below standards to present their performance framework and current standing to their boards in a public meeting and in addition, will be required to attend all trainings. Additionally, lift the Notice of Concern

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for Nevada Prep Charter School that was issued for the 2022-23 Organizational Performance Framework.
Member Shantee Rosales seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Motion was approved.

Agenda Item 8 – Charter School Renewal Process Training. Katie Broughton presented to the SPCSA Board the process and timeframes of the Charter School Renewal Process.

Agenda Item 9 – Long-Range Calendar. Reviewed and discussed the long-range calendar and upcoming meeting agendas.

Agenda Item 10 – Public Comment #2
No Public Comment.

Agenda Item 11 – Adjournment at 10:18 am.