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BRIEFING MEMORANDUM

TO: SPCSA Board
FROM: Melissa Mackedon
SUBJECT: Executive Director Report
DATE: November 14, 2025

School Highlight

The SPCSA was subject to the NDE Special Education Monitoring protocol in place for all LEAs during the 24-25 school year. As an agency, we are starting to inform schools of those results. This is a very comprehensive monitoring process, and I would like to acknowledge the special education teams at our schools, as well as the SPCSA staff who oversee this work. We maintained 100% compliance on 21 metrics and achieved 100% compliance on 23 metrics for the first time. This is a significant accomplishment and improvement for our schools.

Delinquent PERS Update

Delinquent PERS payments as of 11/3/25. For a complete accounting of payments, please refer to the "Outstanding Charter Contribution Balance" sheet provided by PERS and included in the board materials.

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As of . . .	Total Estimated Amount Due
12/31/2023	\$477,305.47
2/12/2024	\$466,966.09
3/31/2002	\$501,862.79
5/1/2024	\$481,609.99
5/31/24	\$353,263.60

6/30/24	\$332,565.80
7/31/2024	\$375,643.40
9/3/2024	\$411,635.51
11/1/2024	\$373,726.56
1/2/2025	\$238,856.91
2/28/2025	\$191,590.18
3/31/2025	\$176,928.63
5/1/2025	\$175,455.90
6/2/2025	\$135,087.38
7/1/2025	\$124,997.10
8/1/2025	\$82,718.43
10/1/2025	\$67,272.50
11/3/2025	\$122,70.29

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As of . . .	Total Estimated Amount Due
2/28/2025	\$72,527.09
3/31/25	\$73,782.57
5/1/2025	\$71,861.50
6/2/2025	\$70,357.58
7/1/2025	\$72,243.43
8/1/2025	\$57,481.18
10/1/2025	\$74,496.75
11/3/2025	\$62,652.95

New Schools Update

The SPCSA officially kicked off our pre-opening process the week of November 3-7 with the three schools in their incubation year. As a reminder, two schools, Somerset Academy Carson City and Wildflower Montessori, are scheduled to open in the 2026-2027 school year. One school, Citizens of the World, opted for a two-year incubation period, so its timeline has been adjusted accordingly. Each school was provided the “New School and New Staff Training Overview,” the “2025-2026 Final Pre-Opening Checklist,” and a copy of the “Pre-Opening Kickoff 2026” PowerPoint. SPCSA leadership will begin meeting with each school, including a board representative, on the first Tuesday of each month. During that meeting, we review upcoming submissions that are due, address concerns regarding previous submissions, receive an update on facilities, enrollment, and hiring, and answer any questions the schools may have. As we move into the new year, schools will have the opportunity to present to the SPCSA board and provide an update on their progress.

Pre-K and the SPCSA

The SPCSA has nearly doubled its Pre-K efforts for the 2025-26 school year, with approximately 450 students and their families' receiving services at 9 of our charter schools. All schools returning from the 2024-25 school year have a 5-star designation awarded by Nevada's Early Childhood Quality Rating Scale, and our newly participating schools are receiving support and guidance from SPCSA staff and state systems to offer the same high-quality services. Our Pre-K programs utilize center-based classrooms and developmentally appropriate instruction centered on the Nevada Pre-K Standards, along with low student-to-staff ratios, to provide our students with a strong foundation. Families qualify for our programs through income eligibility, by a second primary language spoken in their homes, or by receiving special education services. NDE anticipates that an additional 2,000 Pre-K seats will be available statewide for the 2026-27 school year.

National Charter School Authorizers Conference (NACSACon) 2025

SPCSA staff and board members attended the NACSACon conference from October 20 to 23. This leadership conference brings together charter school authorizers from around the country, allowing participants to gain actionable insights and practical tools. Examples of breakout sessions include:

- Beyond the Numbers: How Funders Use Performance Data to Drive Equity and Excellence
- Charter School Startups: Authorizing for Success in Year Zero
- Acquisition as Opportunity: A Strategy to Scale Impact and Innovation
- Leveraging Research to Impact Authorizer Practice
- From Red Flags to Roadmaps: Empowering Authorizers Through Financial Accountability.