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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The State Public Charter School Authority will conduct a public meeting on December 12, 2025, beginning at 9:00 a.m., at the following location(s):

Hearing Rooms Building, Room #3
7120 Amigo Street
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/ or by using this link to access the Livestream directly: <https://youtube.com/live/PSIACRrHUNK>

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 can be provided telephonically by dialing 888-475-4499. When prompted, provide Meeting ID: 828 4867 7574#. Callers will be asked to press *9 to take their place in the queue.

Finally, public comment may also be submitted in writing via email at publiccomment@spsca.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 500 E. Warm Springs, Suite 116, Las Vegas, NV 89119; via email at info@spsca.nv.gov; via phone at 725-281-1367.

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. November 14, 2025, SPCSA Board Meeting Action Minutes
Kurt Thigpen, Chair. ***For Possible Action.***
4. SPCSA Executive Director’s Report. Executive Director Mackedon will provide the Authority with information and updates regarding the following:
 - a. School Highlight
 - b. Delinquent schools PERS contributions
 - c. New Schools Update
 - d. Four-Year Graduation Rates for the Class of 2024-25Melissa Mackedon, Executive Director. ***Information and Discussion.***
5. SPCSA Revolving Loan Applications. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with recommendations regarding the revolving loan applications submitted by SPCSA-sponsored charter schools, and the Authority may approve or deny the following revolving loan applicants:
 - a. Alpine Academy
Katie Broughton, Director of Authorizing; Nate Hanson, Management Analyst IV. ***For Possible Action.***
6. Pahrump Valley Academy Resubmitted New Charter School Application. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with the recommendation related to the resubmitted new charter school application from the 2025 Application Cycle, and the Authority may approve (or conditionally approve) or deny the Pahrump Valley Academy resubmitted charter school application.
Katie Broughton, Director of Authorizing. ***For Possible Action.***
7. 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. Nevada Rise – Request to Relocate to a New Facility
Danny Peltier, Management Analyst IV. ***For Possible Action.***
8. Academies of Math and Science (AMS). SPCSA staff will provide information to the authority and make recommendations to the board. The board may approve or deny AMS as a proven provider under NAC 388A.270.
Melissa Mackedon, Executive Director. ***For Possible Action.***
9. Young Women’s Leadership Academy—SPCSA staff recommends the academic Notice of Concern be removed from the specified charter school due to the school receiving a 3-star or higher NSPF rating OR a *Meets Standard*

or *Exceeds Standard* rating on the SPCSA Academic Performance Framework. School remarks under this item will be limited to a maximum of five minutes.

- a. Remove Notice of Concern from the middle school (3-star and *Meets Standard*)

Katie Broughton, Director of Authorizing. ***For Possible Action.***

10. Nevada Prep Charter School—SPCSA staff recommends the academic Notices of Concern be elevated to Notices of Breach for the specified charter school due to the school receiving a 1-star NSPF rating. School remarks under this item will be limited to a maximum of five minutes.

- a. Elevate Notice of Concern to Notice of Breach for the elementary school (1-star and *Below Standard*)
- b. Elevate Notice of Concern to Notice of Breach for the middle school (1-star and *Does Not Meet Standard*)

Katie Broughton, Director of Authorizing. ***For Possible Action.***

11. Charter Application and Rubric for 2026 Applications. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority Board with recommendations regarding revisions to the new charter school application and rubric.

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

12. 2026 Demographic and Academic Needs Assessment. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority Board with an update regarding the 2026 Demographic and Academic Needs Assessment. The Authority Board will consider approval of the 2026 Demographic and Academic Needs Assessment pursuant to NRS 388A.220.

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

13. TEACH & Eagle Closure Update. Josh Kern will report on the status of the school closures.

Melissa Mackedon, Executive Director. ***Information and Discussion.***

14. 2025-26 School Year Enrollment Data. SPCSA staff will provide information related to validated enrollment data for SPCSA-sponsored charter schools for the 2025-2026 school year.

Mary Holsclaw, Education Programs Professional. ***Information and Discussion.***

15. Charter School Contract Renewal Applications. SPCSA staff will provide the Authority with SPCSA staff's recommendations related to charter school contract renewal applications, and the Authority may approve or deny the following charter school renewal applications:

- a. Democracy Prep at the Agassi Campus
- b. Explore Academy
- c. Freedom Classical
- d. Legacy Traditional Schools
- e. Nevada Prep Charter School

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

16. Appoint closing administrator for any schools that were denied a charter contract renewal in agenda item 15 pursuant to NRS 388A.306.

Samantha King Powell, General Counsel. ***For Possible Action.***

17. Long-Range Calendar. The Board will review and discuss its long-range calendar. Assign board members to complete Governance Standard review.

Melissa Mackedon, Executive Director. ***Information and Discussion.***

18. 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.*
19. Adjournment.

Supporting materials for items listed on the above-referenced agenda are available, at no charge, at the State Public Charter School Authority's website, <http://charterschools.nv.gov/>, or by contacting Teresa Potter, Board Secretary, at 500 E. Warm Springs, Ste. 116, Las Vegas, NV 89119. In accordance with Nevada's Open Meeting Law, this public notice and agenda has been posted on or before December 5, 2025, 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, 3427 Goni Road, Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89706

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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 12/5/2025 at 5:00 pm, this Public Notice and Agenda was posted at the above-referenced websites and locations.

Teresa Potter

State Public Charter School Authority