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**BRIEFING MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** SPCSA Board  
**FROM:** Melissa Mackedon  
**SUBJECT:** Executive Director Report  
**DATE:** April 17, 2026

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**School Highlight**

The Nevada Purple Star School Award is a designation provided to military-friendly schools that display a major commitment to serving military-connected students and families.

“Military-connected students bring unique strengths and experiences to our classrooms, and they also face unique challenges,” said **Dr. Victor Wakefield, Superintendent of Public Instruction**. “Purple Star Schools set the standard for ensuring these students experience consistency, strong relationships, and access to high-quality learning no matter where they are stationed.”

Three SPCSA-sponsored schools were among the recipients this year: Pinecrest Academy of Northern Nevada, Somerset Academy Skye Canyon, and Somerset Academy North Las Vegas. These schools join other SPCSA schools who were previously awarded the designation, including: Somerset Academy Sky Pointe, Somerset Academy Lone Mountain, Legacy Traditional School Southwest, Oasis Academy, Legacy Traditional North Valleys, Legacy Traditional Cadence, Somerset Aliante, Coral Academy of Science Centennial Hills, and Coral Academy of Science Nellis.

## Delinquent PERS Update

Delinquent PERS payments as of 1/26. 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 <b>Estimated</b> Amount Due
12/31/2023	<b>\$477,305.47</b>
2/12/2024	<b>\$466,966.09</b>
3/31/2024	<b>\$501,862.79</b>
5/1/2024	<b>\$481,609.99</b>
5/31/24	<b>\$353,263.60</b>
6/30/24	<b>\$332,565.80</b>
7/31/2024	<b>\$375,643.40</b>
9/3/2024	<b>\$411,635.51</b>
11/1/2024	<b>\$373,726.56</b>
1/2/2025	<b>\$238,856.91</b>
2/28/2025	<b>\$191,590.18</b>
3/31/2025	<b>\$176,928.63</b>
5/1/2025	<b>\$175,455.90</b>
6/2/2025	<b>\$135,087.38</b>
7/1/2025	<b>\$124,997.10</b>
8/1/2025	<b>\$82,718.43</b>
10/1/2025	<b>\$67,272.50</b>
11/3/2025	<b>\$122,70.29</b>
12/1/2025	<b>\$165,045.92</b>
12/31/2025	<b>\$169,450.48</b>
3/02/2026	<b>\$39,337.60</b>
4/01/2026	<b>\$38,928.22</b>

## New Schools Update

Northern Nevada Wildflower has requested, and I will approve, a deferment until the 2027-2028 school year. The board has not been able to find a suitable facility. They are actively looking at multiple properties, but none of them will be ready for an August 2026 start.

The SPCSA will have no new charter schools opening via the traditional charter school application process next year; instead, four schools will open for the 2027-2028 school year. Three schools have deferred: Somerset Academy Carson City, Pahrump Valley Academy, and Northern Nevada Wildflower. Citizens of the World chose to utilize a two-year incubation period.

**Current Events**

I served as a panel member at the Charter School Association of Nevada's first annual "State of the Sector" event (March 26, 2026) and on a panel at Baird's Charter School Investors Conference (April 16, 2026) in Pheonix Arizona.