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BRIEFING MEMORANDUM

TO: SPCSA Board
FROM: Melissa Mackedon
SUBJECT: Executive Director Report
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School Highlight

This month, we would like to highlight Coral Academy of Science, specifically the Eastgate campus. A notable strength at CASLV Eastgate is the recent purchase of the school building, which provides long-term stability and a stronger sense of permanence for the school community. In addition, the development of a new playground has been a highly collaborative effort. Leaders intentionally sought input from students, families, and staff on the playground design, incorporating their ideas on safety, accessibility, and opportunities for active play. Students and community members were also involved in aspects of the playground's construction and implementation, further deepening their connection to the campus.

Delinquent PERS Update

Delinquent PERS payments as of 1/25. For a complete accounting of payments, please refer to the "Outstanding Charter Contribution Balance" sheet provided by PERS and included in the board materials.

NV Prep

As of . . .	Total Estimated Amount Due
12/31/2023	\$477,305.47
2/12/2024	\$466,966.09
3/31/2024	\$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
12/1/2025	\$165,045.92
12/31/2025	\$169,450.48

New Schools Update

Somerset Academy Carson City has requested, and I have approved, a deferral 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.

SPCSA staff met with all schools in their incubation year on January 6, 2026, to get updates on facilities, hiring, and enrollment efforts. Importantly, both Wildflower Montessori and Pahrump Valley Academy are making progress on finalizing facilities. During these monthly check-ins, SPCSA staff also highlight upcoming documents due, including any unique conditions for each school. Additionally, we conducted the following pre-opening trainings: Bylaws, SPCSA Governance Standards, and Student Enrollment (Lotteries, Enrollment, Enrollment Audits).

Pre-Kindergarten

The SPCSA applied for \$1,555,000 in Early Childhood Facilities Grant funding from the Nevada Department of Education and was awarded \$1,339,471. The money will be distributed among five schools to develop, expand, or improve pre-k facilities. There are several facility requirements that can be a barrier for charter schools that don't receive any facilities funding.

Growth Management Plan

In 2019, the Nevada Legislature passed AB 462, which updated the authorizing practices for charter school sponsors, including a requirement for the SPCSA to establish a plan to manage the growth of charter schools in Nevada. In response, the SPCSA Growth Management Plan was created, which sets forth the status of existing charter schools and a 5-year projection of anticipated growth in the number of charter schools. This plan must be updated every 2 years. In

the January 2026 update, staff projects growth in new charter schools and additional campuses for existing schools, grade-level and other enrollment expansion, and anticipated charter renewals over the next five years. In addition, as required by statute, statewide student academic performance is taken into account. Also included is an assessment of relevant policies, procedures, capacity, and resources to support growth management. The Growth Management Plan will support the SPCSA in maintaining strong academic performance across its schools while continuing to expand statewide charter school options that serve students from all backgrounds.