School Board Special Meeting
Friday, November 13, 2026 8:00 AM

District Office Conference Room, Room 164
Austin High School
401 3rd Ave. NW
Austin, MN 55912

Agenda

1. Call to order/roll call
   Speaker(s): Chairperson Dube
2. Approval of agenda (Action)
   Speaker(s): Chairperson Dube
3. Certify November 3, 2026 school district general election results (Action)
   Speaker(s): Exec Director of Finance and Operations Todd Lechtenberg
4. Certify November 3, 2026 school district special election results (Action)
   Speaker(s): Exec Director of Finance and Operations Todd Lechtenberg
5. Request approval of resolution authorizing issuance of Certificates of Election and directing school district clerk to perform other election-related duties (Action)
   Speaker(s): Exec Director of Finance and Operations Todd Lechtenberg
6. Adjournment

RESOLUTION CANVASSING RETURNS OF VOTES
OF SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 492, Austin, State of Minnesota as follows:

1. It is hereby found, determined, and declared that the election of the voters of the district held on November 3, 2026, was in all respects duly and legally called and held.

2. As specified in the attached Abstract and Return of Votes Cast, voters of the School District voted on the election of four School Board members to terms of four years to begin on Monday, January 4, 2027, as follows:

Peggy Young	5871
Carol McAlister	5578
Dan Zielke	5254
Carolyn Dube	5252

3. Peggy Young, Carol McAlister, Dan Zielke, and Carolyn Dube, having received the highest number of votes, are elected as School Board members for terms of four years to begin on Monday, January 4, 2027.

4. The School District clerk is hereby directed to certify the results of the election to the county auditors of each county in which the School District is located in whole or in part.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was made by _____ and seconded by _____.

The following voted in favor:

and the following voted against:

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

_____
Daniel Zielke, Clerk
November 13, 2026

Abstract of Votes Cast
Independent School District No. 492 (AUSTIN)
State of Minnesota
at the State General Election
Held Tuesday, November 3, 2026

Compiled from the Official Returns.

Summary of Totals
Independent School District No. 492 (AUSTIN)
Tuesday, November 3, 2026 State General Election

KEY TO PARTY ABBREVIATIONS

NP - Nonpartisan

School Board Member (ISD #492) (Elect 4)

NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
Peggy Young	Carol McAlister	Myron Matthew Grage	Carolyn Dube	Dan Zielke
5871	5578	3181	5252	5254

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137

SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION 1 (ISD #492)

NP	NP
YES	NO
5125	4910

Detail of Election Results
Independent School District No. 492 (AUSTIN)
Tuesday, November 3, 2026 State General Election

Office Title: School Board Member (ISD #492) (Elect 4)

Precinct	NP Peggy Young	NP Carol McAlister	NP Myron Matthew Grage	NP Carolyn Dube	NP Dan Zielke
24 0160 : LONDON TWP.	0	0	0	0	0
24 0180 : MOSCOW TWP.	86	92	61	79	83
24 0190 : NEWRY TWP.	13	14	10	10	12
24 0200 : OAKLAND TWP.	72	80	44	66	60
50 0015 : AUSTIN W-1 P-1	714	674	344	647	623
50 0020 : AUSTIN W-1 P-2	815	744	405	712	692
50 0030 : AUSTIN W-2 P-1	773	738	403	702	714
50 0035 : AUSTIN W-2 P-2	1215	1134	647	1139	1167
50 0050 : AUSTIN W-3 P-1	631	600	335	526	490
50 0055 : AUSTIN W-3 P-2	863	811	487	730	726
50 0070 : AUSTIN TWP.	245	234	150	208	237
50 0120 : LANSING TWP.	220	224	151	209	227
50 0145 : LYLE TWP.	31	32	19	26	24
50 0150 : MAPLEVIEW CITY	28	27	12	27	26
50 0180 : RED ROCK TWP.	69	72	41	70	69
50 0205 : UDOLPHO TWP.	24	26	18	29	25
50 0215 : WALTHAM TWP.	2	2	2	1	1
50 0220 : WINDOM TWP.	70	74	52	71	78
Total:	**5871**	**5578**	**3181**	**5252**	**5254**

Precinct	WI WRITE-IN
24 0160 : LONDON TWP.	0
24 0180 : MOSCOW TWP.	4

Detail of Election Results
Independent School District No. 492 (AUSTIN)
Tuesday, November 3, 2026 State General Election

Office Title: School Board Member (ISD #492) (Elect 4)

Precinct	WI WRITE-IN
24 0190 : NEWRY TWP.	0
24 0200 : OAKLAND TWP.	6
50 0015 : AUSTIN W-1 P-1	10
50 0020 : AUSTIN W-1 P-2	26
50 0030 : AUSTIN W-2 P-1	3
50 0035 : AUSTIN W-2 P-2	20
50 0050 : AUSTIN W-3 P-1	18
50 0055 : AUSTIN W-3 P-2	25
50 0070 : AUSTIN TWP.	9
50 0120 : LANSING TWP.	11
50 0145 : LYLE TWP.	0
50 0150 : MAPLEVIEW CITY	2
50 0180 : RED ROCK TWP.	3
50 0205 : UDOLPHO TWP.	0
50 0215 : WALTHAM TWP.	0
50 0220 : WINDOM TWP.	0
Total:	**137**

Office Title: SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION 1 (ISD #492)

Precinct	NP YES	NP NO
24 0160 : LONDON TWP.	0	0
24 0180 : MOSCOW TWP.	58	95
24 0190 : NEWRY TWP.	15	16
24 0200 : OAKLAND TWP.	42	78

Detail of Election Results
Independent School District No. 492 (AUSTIN)
Tuesday, November 3, 2026 State General Election

Office Title: SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION 1 (ISD #492)

Precinct	NP YES	NP NO
50 0015 : AUSTIN W-1 P-1	725	509
50 0020 : AUSTIN W-1 P-2	765	619
50 0030 : AUSTIN W-2 P-1	699	645
50 0035 : AUSTIN W-2 P-2	1095	916
50 0050 : AUSTIN W-3 P-1	525	539
50 0055 : AUSTIN W-3 P-2	710	759
50 0070 : AUSTIN TWP.	180	247
50 0120 : LANSING TWP.	165	236
50 0145 : LYLE TWP.	15	36
50 0150 : MAPLEVIEW CITY	13	29
50 0180 : RED ROCK TWP.	48	88
50 0205 : UDOLPHO TWP.	20	25
50 0215 : WALTHAM TWP.	2	0
50 0220 : WINDOM TWP.	48	73
Total:	**5125**	**4910**

We, the school board members of Independent School District No. 492 (AUSTIN), certify that we have canvassed the returns of the State General Election held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026 and have herein specified the names of any candidates receiving votes and the number of votes received by each candidate, and have herein specified the number of votes for and against any ballot questions voted on in this election.

As appears by the returns of the election precincts voting in this election, duly returned to, filed, opened, and canvassed, and now remaining on file in the office of the clerk of Independent School District No. 492 (AUSTIN).

Witness our official signature at _____ in _____ County this _____ day of _____, 2026.

_____
School Board Member

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School Board Member

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School Board Member

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School Board Member

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School Board Member

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School Board Member

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School Board Member

State of Minnesota
Independent School District No. 492 (AUSTIN)

I, _____, Clerk of the Independent School District No. 492 (AUSTIN) do hereby certify the within and foregoing _____ pages to be a full and correct copy of the original abstract and return of the votes cast in the Independent School District No. 492 (AUSTIN) State General Election held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026.

Witness my hand and official seal of office this _____ day of _____, 2026.

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CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES RELATING TO SPECIAL ELECTION

Issuer: Independent School District No. 492 (Austin), Minnesota

Governing Body: School Board

Kind, date, time and place of meeting: A special meeting held on November 13, 2026 at 8:00 am in the District Office Conference Room in Austin High School.

Members present:

Members absent:

Documents attached:

Minutes of said meeting (including):

RESOLUTION RELATING TO CANVASSING RETURNS OF SPECIAL ELECTION

I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified and acting recording officer of the public corporation referred to in the title of this certificate, certify that the documents attached hereto, as described above, have been carefully compared with the original records of said corporation in my legal custody, from which they have been transcribed; that said documents are a correct and complete transcript of the minutes of a meeting of the governing body of said corporation, and correct and complete copies of all resolutions and other actions taken and of all documents approved by the governing body at said meeting; and that said meeting was duly held by the governing body at the time and place and was attended throughout by the members indicated above, pursuant to call and notice of such meeting given as required by law.

WITNESS my hand officially as such recording officer on November 13, 2026.

_____

School District Clerk

The Clerk presented affidavits showing filing, mailing, publishing and posting of notice, in accordance with the resolution adopted July 27, 2026, of the special election held November 3, 2026, to vote on the question on approval of school building bonds. The Clerk also presented the Official Returns and Summary Statements of Judges. The affidavits and the Official Returns and Summary Statements of Judges were duly examined, approved and ordered placed on file in the office of the Clerk.

Member _____ introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, which motion was seconded by Member _____:

RESOLUTION RELATING TO CANVASSING RETURNS OF SPECIAL ELECTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 492 (Austin), Minnesota THAT THE SPECIAL ELECTION HELD IN AND FOR THE School District on November 3, 2026, was in all respects duly and legally called and held, the returns thereof have been duly canvassed, and the votes cast at the special election for and against the question submitted to the electors were as follows:

School District Question
Approval of School Building Bonds

○ **YES**
○ **NO**

Shall the board of Independent School District No. 492 (Austin), Minnesota be authorized to issue general obligation school building bonds in an amount not to exceed $24,900,000 for acquisition and betterment of school sites and facilities, including but not limited to safety, security, and accessibility improvements, building capital maintenance and infrastructure, classroom improvements and renovation, and pool improvements and renovations?

BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

School District Question

Yes Votes	No Votes
5125	4910

The ballot question, having received the approval of a majority of the votes cast, is hereby declared to be carried.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.17, Subdivision 9(e) and Section 205A.07, Subdivision 3a, the Clerk is hereby instructed to notify the Commissioner of Education of the results of the special election and to provide the certified vote totals for the ballot question in written form within 15 days after the results have been certified by the Board.

Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

And the following voted against the same:

Whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted and was signed by the Chairperson and attested by the Clerk.

Dated: November 13, 2026

BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

_____
Chairperson

Attest: _____
School District Clerk

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF ELECTION AND DIRECTING SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK TO PERFORM OTHER ELECTION RELATED DUTIES

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes, section 205A.10 provides, "After the time for contesting elections has passed, the school district clerk shall issue a certificate of election to each successful candidate. If there is a contest, the certificate of election to that office must not be issued until the outcome of the contest has been determined by the proper court. If there is a tie vote, the school board shall determine the result by lot. The clerk shall deliver the certificate of election to the successful candidate by personal service or certified mail. The successful candidate shall file an acceptance and oath of office in writing with the clerk within 30 days of the date of mailing or personal service," and

WHEREAS, the school board of Independent School District No. 492 (Austin Public Schools) has canvassed the general election for school board members held on November 3, 2026.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the school board of Independent School District No. 492 (Austin Public Schools) as follows:

The chair and clerk are hereby authorized to execute certificates of election on behalf of the school board of Independent School District No. 492 (Austin Public Schools) for the following candidates:

Carolyn Dube
Carol McAlister
Peggy Young
Dan Zielke

who have received a sufficient number of votes to be elected to fill vacancies on the school board caused by expiration of term on the first Monday in January next following the election, based on the results of the canvass.

The certificate of election shall be in substantially the form attached hereto.

After the time for contesting the election has passed and the candidate has filed all campaign financial reports required by Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 211A, the clerk of the school board is hereby directed to deliver the certificates to the persons entitled thereto personally or by certified mail.

The clerk is hereby directed to enclose with the certificate a form of acceptance of office and oath of office in substantially the form attached hereto.

The motion for adoption for the Resolution was made by Member _____, and duly seconded by Member _____.

The following voted in favor:

and the following voted against:

Whereupon, said Resolution was declared duly adopted by Independent School District No. 492 (Austin Public Schools), State of Minnesota, this 13th day of November, 2026.

By:_____ By:_____

School Board Chair School Board Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION

(Full 4 Year Term)

1. The School Board of Independent School District No. 492 on November 13, 2026, canvassed the general election of school board members held on November 3, 2026.

2. _____ received the _____ number of votes cast for the office of school board member of Independent School District No. 492 for a full four-year term.

3. There are four full four-year term vacancies on the board caused by the expiration of term on the first Monday in January next following the election.

4. Therefore, _____ is elected to the office of school board member of Independent School District No. 492 for a full four-year term beginning the first Monday in January, 2027 and expiring the first Monday in January, 2031.

By authority of the School Board of Independent School District No. 492, pursuant to resolution dated November 13, 2026.

Dated: _____ _____

Chair

Dated: _____ _____

Clerk

ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE AND OATH OF OFFICE

To: _____

This acceptance and oath of office must be filed with the School District clerk within 30 days of the date of mailing or personal service of the certificate of election.

ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

I hereby accept the office of School Board member of Independent School District No. 492 for a term beginning the first Monday in January, 2027 and expiring the first Monday in January, 2031.

Date:_____ _____

Signature

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
COUNTY OF MOWER)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ day of _____, 2026 by Sharon Alms, Notary Public.

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Notary Public

OATH OF OFFICE

I swear/affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States and of this state, and that I will discharge faithfully the duties of the office of School Board member of Independent School District No. 492 to the best of my judgment and ability.

Date:_____ _____

Signature

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
COUNTY OF MOWER)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ day of _____, 2026 by Sharon Alms, Notary Public.

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Notary Public