OFFICIAL MINUTES: AUSTIN SCHOOL BOARD **REGULAR MEETING**

Independent School District No. 492
Monday, June 8, 2026 5:30 pm
Annex Recital Hall
205 4th Street NW, Austin, Minnesota

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Carolyn Dube Robert Hartman Cece Kroc Don Leathers	Carol McAlister Peggy Young Dan Zielke Superintendent Dr. Joey Page

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Chairperson Dube called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Annex Recital Hall.

AGENDA APPROVED: A motion was made by Leathers, seconded by Hartman and carried unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

SPRING SPORTS RECAP: Activities Director Katie Carter and spring sport athletes provided highlights of their sports season.

TASK FORCE ACTION PLANS: Substitutes and Attendance Task Force members provided a recap of their work the past school year and their current action plans.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: State Representative Patricia Mueller provided a recap of the recent legislative session.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Superintendent Page recognized several students and staff for their recent achievements and provided an overview of the many events happening throughout the district.

SCHOOL BOARD REPORTS: Hartman, McAlister, Leathers, Dube shared highlights of events they have participated in throughout the last month.

MINUTES APPROVED: Young made a motion, seconded by McAlister and carried unanimously to approve the regular meeting minutes of 5/11/26 and special meeting minutes of 5/26/26 as printed.

(A COMPLETE COPY OF THE MINUTES IS ATTACHED IN THE OFFICIAL MINUTE BOOK AND POSTED ON THE DISTRICT WEBSITE.)

PERSONNEL REPORT APPROVED: Young made a motion, seconded by McAlister and carried unanimously to approve the following personnel items.

Contracts for Approval – Aliyah Deluna, summer school teacher, effective 6/1/26; Fernando Garcia, summer school teacher, effective 6/1/26; Camielle Hughes, Special Services Assistant Director, effective 7/1/26; Erik Pallaske, ECFE teacher, effective 8/10/26; Natalie Pilger, math teacher, effective 8/10/26; Henry Smith, Kids Korner aide, effective 5/14/26; Stefanie Stabel, TOSA SPED instructional and inclusion coach, effective 8/10/26; Erin Stevenson, SPED teacher, effective 8/10/26; Summer Vera,

grade 6 teacher, effective 8/10/26; and Tami Yokiel, FACS teacher, effective 8/10/26
Resignations/Retirements – Amber Rochat, teacher, effective 5/28/26; Pam Vaughn, food service helper, effective 5/26/27; and Jorge Zuniga, custodian, effective 5/29/26
Terminations – Pamela Anfinson, position elimination, SPED Coordinator, effective 6/30/26 and Lucas Rasmussen, noon supervisor, effective 5/26/26

(A COMPLETE COPY OF THE PERSONNEL REPORT IS ATTACHED IN THE OFFICIAL MINUTE BOOK.)

BILLS APPROVED: Young made a motion, seconded by McAlister and carried unanimously to approve the bills for payment as of 6/8/26.

(A COPY OF THE BILLS IS ATTACHED IN THE OFFICIAL MINUTE BOOK.)

TREASURER'S REPORT APPROVED: A motion was made by Young, seconded by McAlister and carried unanimously to approve the April 2026 treasurer's report.

(A COPY OF THE TREASURER'S REPORT IS ATTACHED IN THE OFFICIAL MINUTE BOOK.)

LIEP UPDATES APPROVED: Young made a motion, seconded by McAlister and carried unanimously to approve the updates to the 2026-27 Language Instruction Educational Program (LIEP) plan.

2026-28 NON-AFFILIATED HANDBOOKS APPROVED: Young made a motion, seconded by McAlister and carried unanimously to approve the 2026-28 non-affiliated handbooks. The two-year total compensation package for the approximately 134 two-year non-unit employee contracts, including salary and benefits, averages approximately 5.86% annually and is reflected in the district's budget assumptions for 2026-27 and 2027-28.

MSHSL MEMBERSHIP RENEWED: A motion was made by Young, seconded by McAlister and carried unanimously to approve membership in the Minnesota State High School League for 2026-27.

CLA APPROVED TO CONDUCT FY25 AUDIT: A motion was made by Young, seconded by McAlister and carried unanimously to approve Clifton Larson Allen (CLA) as the district's auditor for the 2025-26 annual audit.

RAPTOR EMERGENCY MGMT PLATFORM APPROVED: Young made a motion, seconded by McAlister and carried unanimously to approve the implementation of the Raptor Emergency Management Platform and authorized administration to proceed with contract execution and implementation planning as recommended by the District Security Committee.

2026-27 STUDENT HANDBOOK APPROVED: Young made a motion, seconded by McAlister and carried unanimously to approve the proposed updates to the 2026-27 student handbook.

END-OF-YEAR ACTIVITIES REPORT: Activities Director Katie Carter provided an end-of-year activities report.

ZIELKE LEFT MEETING AT 6:45 PM

AHS EXTENDED FIELD TRIPS APPROVED: A motion was made by Hartman, seconded by Kroc and carried unanimously to approve the 2026-27 extended field trips for Austin High School.

(A LIST OF THE APPROVED TRIPS IS ATTACHED IN THE OFFICIAL MINUTE BOOK.)

FUNDRAISING PLAN APPROVED: A motion was made by Leathers, seconded by McAlister and carried unanimously to approve the 2026-27 AHS fundraising plan as presented by Activities Director Katie Carter.

(A COPY OF THE PLAN IS ATTACHED IN THE OFFICIAL MINUTE BOOK.)

BOYS SWIM & DIVE CO-OP DISSOLVED: Hartman made a motion, seconded by Young and carried unanimously to dissolve the cooperative sponsorship of Boys Swim and Dive with Pacelli Catholic Schools effective with the 2026-27 school year. Dissolving the cooperative agreement will return AHS to its appropriate enrollment classification for boys swim and dive competition.

ULA APPROVED: Kroc made a motion, seconded by Leathers and carried unanimously to approve the resolution placing Asst Principal Dr. Raymond Diaz on unrequested leave of absence effective 6/30/26.

(A COPY OF THE RESOLUTION IS ATTACHED IN THE OFFICIAL MINUTE BOOK.)

UPDATED DISTRICT POPULATION ESTIMATE CERTIFIED: A motion was made by McAlister, seconded by Young and carried unanimously to approve the census figure of 30,127 being certified to the State Demographer for use in the 2026 payable 2027 revenue calculations.

DONATIONS: A motion was made by Young, seconded by Hartman and carried unanimously to approve the donations as presented by Executive Director of Finance and Operations Todd Lechtenberg.

(A COMPLETE COPY OF DONATIONS IS ATTACHED IN THE OFFICIAL MINUTE BOOK.)

GENERAL ELECTION RESOLUTION APPROVED: A motion was made by Leathers, seconded by McAlister and carried unanimously to approve the resolution calling for a school district general election on November 3, 2026 for the purpose of electing four school board members for terms of four years.

(A COPY OF THE COMPLETE RESOLUTION IS ATTACHED IN THE OFFICIAL MINUTE BOOK.)

ELECTION FILING DATES APPROVED: A motion was made by Young, seconded by Kroc and carried unanimously to approve the resolution establishing dates of filing affidavits of candidacy for school board election. The filing period will begin on July 14, 2026 and close at 5 pm on July 28, 2026.

(A COPY OF THE COMPLETE RESOLUTION IS ATTACHED IN THE OFFICIAL MINUTE BOOK.)

MEETING REMINDER: Chair Dube reminded School Board members of the special meeting scheduled for Monday, June 22, at 4 pm in the District Office Conference Room.

MEETING ADJOURNED: A motion was made by Young, seconded by Hartman and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 pm.

Daniel Zielke, Clerk