

FIRST SOLAR, INC.  
Form 8-K  
May 24, 2012

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 23, 2012

FIRST SOLAR, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware  | 001-33156                | 20-4623678                              |
| (State or other jurisdiction<br>of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer<br>Identification Number) |

350 West Washington Street  
Suite 600  
Tempe, Arizona 85281  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (602) 414-9300

Not Applicable  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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  - ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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## Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

First Solar, Inc. ("First Solar") held its 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting") on May 23, 2012. A description of each matter voted upon at the Annual Meeting is described in detail in First Solar's definitive proxy statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 11, 2012. The number of votes cast for and against (or withheld) and the number of abstentions and broker non-votes with respect to each matter voted upon are set forth below.

Proposal 1: To elect the following nine nominees to First Solar's board of directors, each to serve on the board of directors until the next annual meeting of stockholders or until his successor has been elected and qualified:

| Nominees           | Votes Cast For | Votes Withheld | Broker Non-Votes |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| Michael J. Ahearn  | 51,150,385     | 10,469,585     | 10,350,132       |
| Richard D. Chapman | 61,179,290     | 440,680        | 10,350,132       |
| George A. Hambro   | 61,182,913     | 437,057        | 10,350,132       |
| Craig Kennedy      | 61,264,585     | 355,385        | 10,350,132       |
| James F. Nolan     | 61,177,701     | 442,269        | 10,350,132       |
| William J. Post    | 60,326,607     | 1,293,363      | 10,350,132       |
| J. Thomas Presby   | 61,104,859     | 515,111        | 10,350,132       |
| Paul H. Stebbins   | 60,192,126     | 1,427,844      | 10,350,132       |
| Michael Sweeney    | 56,885,888     | 4,734,082      | 10,350,132       |

Proposal 2: To ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP as First Solar's independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2012:

| Votes Cast For | Votes Cast Against | Abstentions | Broker Non-Votes |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------|------------------|
| 71,602,375     | 258,862            | 108,865     | —                |

Proposal 3: Stockholder Proposal Regarding Majority Voting Standard in Uncontested Director Elections:

| Votes Cast For | Votes Cast Against | Abstentions | Broker Non-Votes |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------|------------------|
| 29,781,504     | 31,766,953         | 71,513      | 10,350,132       |

Proposal 4: Stockholder Proposal Regarding Board Diversity:

| Votes Cast For | Votes Cast Against | Abstentions | Broker Non-Votes |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------|------------------|
| 10,664,476     | 48,422,908         | 2,532,478   | 10,350,240       |

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

FIRST SOLAR, INC.

Date: May 24, 2012

By:       /s/   Mary Beth Gustafsson  
Name:       Mary Beth Gustafsson  
              Executive Vice  
Title:       President, General  
              Counsel and Secretary